Desperation: Answers

Test Five

1 What does the poet say that nobody applauds?

The poet says that nobody applauds the well-known melody.

A **furious** blaze in a fuelless furnace. The word furious suggests that the blaze is...

Tick one.
small.
warm.

powerful.
imaginary.

What does the poet tell you about the *lonely* instrument?

The poet tells you that the lonely instrument composed a symphony.

Do not accept: It is lonely.

Find and copy a group of words that are closest in meaning to 'begs'.

Accept a group of words provided that they contain the following:

cries out

Explain why the poet has written the word *Thirst* at the end of the second verse.

Accept any response which makes reference to the verse describing thirst, such as:

- the poet has written the word 'Thirst' at the end of the second verse because the whole verse is describing thirst. For example, 'The squeak of a hinge that cries out for oil';
- because crumbling plaster, the squeak of a hinge and cracked skin scraping on paper can all be used to describe thirst;
- they are letting you know that all of the unpleasant things that they've written are ways of describing thirst;