

Read the extract of *James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl and then answer the questions below.

'Good gracious me!' Aunt Spiker said, 'What's that awful noise?'

Both women swing round to look. The noise, of course, had been caused by the peach crashing through the fence that surrounded it, and now, gathering speed every second, it came rolling across the garden towards the place where Aunt Sponge and Aunt Spiker were standing.

The gaped. They screamed. They started to run. They panicked. They both got in each other's way. They began pushing and jostling and each one of them was thinking only about saving herself. Aunt Sponge, the fat one, tripped over a box that she'd brought along to keep the money in and fell flat on her face. Aunt Spiker immediately tripped over Aunt Sponge and came down on top of her. They both lay on the ground, fighting and clawing to get up again, but before they could do this the mighty peach was upon them.

There was a crunch. And then there was silence.

Write the answers in full sentences:

1. What did the peach crash through?
2. What was the peach rolling towards?
3. Write 3 things that the Aunts did when they saw the peach rolling.
4. Which Aunt tripped over a box?
5. What did Aunt Spiker trip over?
6. What do you think made the 'crunch' noise?
7. What do you think was happening inside the peach at this time?