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Use the printed text to answer the following questions.

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Comprehension Questions on the first pages of How to Train Your Dragon

1. Hiccup is a little different from the usual Hero of a story and not at all like a typical Viking. Can you find extracts from the text that give you a clue as to what he looks like and what his character is like?
2. How many boys were there taking part?
3. What was the soldier in charge called? Describe his character and explain if you would have liked him to have been your leader. Give examples from the text to explain your reasoning.
4. Why did Hiccup have to be in charge? How did he feel about this?
5. Who is Hiccup's best friend? Is he a typical hero?
6. How did the cliff differ in summer and winter?
7. What does the word *bleak* mean?
8. Which technique has the writer used in his description of the dragons in this example:
...like **gigantic scary birds**...