

Boggart Chart Questions

1. Review the shapes that the boggart turned into to frighten the characters in the *Harry Potter* excerpts, and identify what you think that shape may symbolize. For example, why do you think Ron fears spiders? What does his fear of spiders symbolize?
2. Compare and contrast the boggart shapes and note any pattern you observe among them.
3. Describe how to defeat a boggart. Why do you think this is an effective way to overcome fear?
4. Provide your own explanation of why Mrs. Weasley was unable to defeat the boggart.
5. Note any inferences you can make about the author's intent for including these two boggart scenes in the series.