

## Minty Text Questions



1. What was Mr. Brodas' name?
2. Name two things that Minty did that made Mrs. Brodas angry.
3. Find and copy a word that means nastiness.
4. What two punishments was Minty given?
5. What do you think Minty is feeling when the author writes:  
***Minty's eyes widened?***
6. What were the names of Minty's mother and father?
7. What does Minty's mother fear will happen if Minty doesn't try to be a more obedient slave?
8. Change the following sentence from the text to standard English:  
*Now that you're in the fields, you gotta do a good job, 'cause there ain't no other place for them to send you but downriver – and you don't want that.*
9. When Old Rit advises Minty to 'pat the lion', does she actually mean that she should stroke a lion? Give a detailed explanation of your understanding here.
10. Look at the paragraph where Minty is pretending to be a sunflower. What is the effect of this description on the reader?

### EXTENSION:

Mrs. Brodas thinks that Minty is a spiteful and dishonest slave. Old Rit thinks that Minty should try to be quieter and behave herself more so that she doesn't get sold South. Write a paragraph describing your thoughts about Minty. You could use these questions to help you, or think of some of your own ideas.

Is Minty a horrible child?

What does Mr. Brodas think about the way Minty was treated?

Should she behave herself more?

Should Minty run away?