

Read this extract from 'How to train your dragon' then answer the questions.
Remember to write the answers in full sentences.



There was a tremendous babble of excitement, and such a crush of enormous Vikings that not everybody could get into the Great Hall, and there was a big jumble of barbarians shouting and shoving outside.

Stoick called for silence.

'I have called you here today,' boomed Stoick, 'because we have a problem on our hands. A rather large dragon is sitting on the Long Beach.'

The crowd was deeply unimpressed. They were hoping for a more important crisis.

Mogadon voiced the general disapproval.

'The Big Drums are only used in times of ghastly deadly peril,' said Mogadon in amazement.

'You have summoned us here at a horribly early hour just because of a DRAGON?' he sneered.

'This is no ordinary dragon,' said Stoick. 'This dragon is HUGE. Enormous. Gobsmackingly vast. I've never seen anything like it. This is more of a mountain than a dragon.'

Not having seen the dragon-mountain, the Vikings remained unimpressed. They were used to bossing dragons about.

'The dragon,' said Stoick, 'must of course be moved. But it is a very big dragon. What should we do Old Wrinkly? You're the thinker in the tribe.'

'It's a Seadragonus Giganticus Maximus, and a particularly big one, I'd say. Very cruel, very intelligent, ravenous appetite. Professor Yobbish is the Viking expert on the subject of dragons. Perhaps you should consult his book on the subject.'

'Of course!' said Stoick. '*How to Train Your Dragon*, wasn't it? I do believe Gobber burgled it from the Meathead public library.' He gave a naughty look at Mogadon the Meathead Chief.

Questions

1. *Why did Stoick call for silence?*
2. *Why were the Viking unimpressed?*
3. *What is the main problem?*
4. *Name three personality adjectives that could describe the Vikings above. For each adjective, give an example of words in the text that show this characteristic.*
5. *Write what you think happens next.*