

Answers:

1. Cold and lonely. He wraps the blanket around him and is grumpy about the fire
2. Keeping track of the days
3. Proud and reminiscent - there's a sparkling tear in his eye
4. He is fascinated by it - it's his only company

V: You know/understand

V: Didn't/don't

E: He used its perseverance as inspiration

R: Six

S: Don't give in - keep trying