

# 'The Signalman' Quote Quest

## What are you looking for?

Read back through the text and look for any evidence that answers the following question:

- How does the writer make the scene seem unsettling or unusual to the reader?

Complete the table below, adding quotations about the location from the text.

| Quotation      | What does it suggest?                                      |
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## Possible Answers

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| 'clammy stone'                             | The adjective 'clammy' makes it sound cold and unpleasant.                                |
| 'dripping-wet wall of jagged stone'        | Adjective 'jagged' – emphasises that it is dangerous, ugly, unsafe.                       |
| 'this great dungeon'                       | Metaphor – makes it sound like a prison, that there is no escape.                         |
| 'gloomier entrance to a black tunnel'      | Adjective 'gloomier' – makes it sound eerie, depressing.                                  |
| 'barbarous, depressing and forbidding air' | TriPLICATION – adjectives make the location sound brutal, uninviting and dangerous.       |
| 'earthly deadly smell'                     | Sensory language – suggestion of it being underground, away from the world, like a grave. |
| 'left the natural world'                   | Exaggeration – hints at supernatural world.   |