**Street Child by Berlie Doherty**

**PREFACE COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS: TELL ME YOUR STORY, JIM AND CHAPTER 1 COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS: THE SHILLING PIE**

1. **What does the way Jim speaks suggest about his character?**
2. **Find an example of a simile in the preface.**
3. **Find the phrase in the text on page 13 that tells us that Jim has had little food.**
4. **Summarise in one paragraph what the text tells us about what Jim’s life might have been like before.**
5. **Why do you think Jim is wearing no shoes?**
6. **Why did Mrs Hodder tell Jim to go away when he first arrived at the shop?**
7. **In Chapter 1 why did Mrs Hodder bite the coin that Jim gave to her?**
8. **On page 16, what phrase tells us that Jim was scared?**
9. **What evidence can you find on page 17 that tells us that Jim’s mum has been ill for a while?**
10. **What job do you think his mum used to do?**
11. **What is different about the point of view that the preface and Chapter 1 are written in?**
12. **Describe what Jim’s home is like?**
13. **On page 17 find the phrase that tells us that Jim is eating the pie very fast.**
14. **Find clues from Chapter 1 that suggest that this story is not set in the present day.**