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Reflections Within

Short Answer Key

1. The Mirror of Erised shows people their deepest desires instead of their true reflection.
2. Harry sees his parents in the mirror, showing how much he longs for family and love.
3. The word "Erised" is "desire" spelled backward, suggesting that the mirror reflects wishes rather than reality.
4. Dumbledore removes the mirror because he knows people could become obsessed with it instead of living in the real world.
5. Ron sees himself as Head Boy and Quidditch captain because he wants to stand out from his older brothers and be recognized.

