

Name _____

Unintended Consequences

Short Answer Key

1. He thought it was just a harmless joke and didn't consider that the wish could come true in a bad way.
2. The knocking grows louder and more intense, making the reader wonder what is on the other side of the door.
3. He feared that the wish had brought Herbert back in a horrifying form.
4. The story suggests that trying to change fate often leads to unexpected and terrible consequences.
5. The final wish erases whatever was at the door, leaving the reader wondering what might have happened, reinforcing the idea that wishes are unpredictable.

