

Name _____

Talking Barn

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

(Answers will vary, but here are possible responses.)

1. If the animals did not talk, the story would feel less personal, and it would be harder to understand their emotions and relationships.
2. Wilbur feels lonely, scared, and later happy. Personification helps readers connect with his emotions.
3. I would give a dog a personality and voice because they are loyal and fun, and I'd love to know what they think.
4. Charlotte feels human because she is wise, caring, and makes a big sacrifice for Wilbur, just like a real friend would.

