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## Questions



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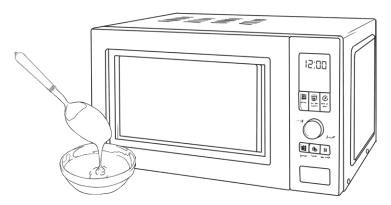
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## **Answers**



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Explain what the word **exclusive** means in this sentence.

The word exclusive means that they were the only people who interviewed Percy Spencer.



2. What is the main purpose of the last paragraph?

Pupils' own responses, such as: The main purpose of the last paragraph is to let the reader know what Percy Spencer is planning to do next.



3. What do you think Percy Spencer's first thought was when he saw the melted chocolate bar?

Pupils' own responses, such as: What's happened? My pocket can't have been warm enough to melt the chocolate; it must have been the waves!



4. Explain how the layout of a newspaper helps you to understand the text.

Pupils' own responses, such as: The layout of the newspaper helps you to understand the text by breaking the information up into smaller chunks that are easier to understand.



