Buddhism – Lesson 1

Now have a go at answering these questions in your book.

Refer back to the story if you need to and try to answer using full sentences.

1. How long ago was Prince Siddhartha born?

2. What are the two possible futures that the holy man predicted for the prince?

3. Why do you think King Suddhodana raised Siddhatha without allowing him to experience any suffering?

4. What were the four sights that Siddhartha saw on his journey out of the palace?

5. How did Siddhartha feel about the sights he had seen?

6. Why do you think Siddhartha decided to leave behind his princely life?

7. How did Siddhartha achieve enlightenment?

8. Why was Buddha unsure at first whether he should teach what he had learned?