

THE TRUNCHBULL

MATILDA

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12 **TYRANNICAL MONSTER** who frightened
21 the life out of the pupils and teachers alike.
30 There was an aura of menace about her even
39 at a distance, and when she came up close
46 you could almost feel the dangerous heat
55 radiating from her as from a red-hot rod of
61 metal. When she marched – Miss Trunchbull
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75 storm trooper with long strides and arms
81 a-swinging – when she marched along a
88 corridor you could actually hear her snorting
97 as she went, and if a group of children
105 happened to be in her path, she ploughed
114 right on through them like a tank, with small
122 people bouncing off her to left and right.



ROALD
DAHL



Questions

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- galloped
- marched
- strolled

2. Find and copy one word which means the same as 'making loud sounds through the nose by breathing noisily'.

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Pupils' own responses, such as: I think the capital letters emphasise to the reader how terrifying Miss Trunchbull is.

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Pupils' own responses, such as: I think Miss Trunchbull would be furious if someone stood up to her because she seems to rule by frightening people so she would want to try and punish them.