***LYDDIE* ch. 1 Study Question**

1. At the bottom of page 2, a sentence says: “Could he, in his frustration, take a *mighty* leap?” *Mighty* is a word that is in your Reader’s Dictionary (part of the Reader’s Notes). Find this entry in the dictionary. Use the definition to restate this sentence using a different word.
2. Lyddie is the main character in this book. What have we learned about Lyddie from this story?
3. On page 5, Lyddie describes her mother as “*queer* in the head.” What does *queer* mean? How do context clues help you figure it out? What word(s) might we use today to describe Lyddie’s mother?
4. On page 6, the text states: “The only *charity* Lyddie dreaded more than Aunt Clarissa’s …” Use your Reader’s Dictionary to figure out what the word *charity* means. Then restate the sentence using a different word. How do we use the word *charity* today? How is this similar and different to how it is being used here?
5. On page 7, the text says: “She minded mightily being *beholden*.” Notice the word *mightily*, which is the adverb form of *mighty*. What does *beholden* mean? How can you tell? What is the connection between *charity* and *beholden*?