

## Charlotte's Web – Chapter 1

Directions: Answer each question thoroughly with complete sentences.

1. Fern was very unhappy. Explain why she was so upset. Use information from the story to support your answer.

Fern was very upset because Mr. Arable was going to use an ax to kill  
a little pig that was just born. She felt that it was unfair for a pig to be killed  
because of it's size. (Page 1 and 3).

2. Why was Mr. Arable carrying an ax?

Mr. Arable was carrying an ax because he was going to go to the hoghouse  
to kill the small pig. (Page 1).

3. What kind of person is Fern? Use information from the story to support your answer.

Fern is a compassionate person. She saved the newborn pig, and fed the  
pig milk with a bottle. (Page 4 and 5).

4. Fern says "This is the most terrible case of injustice that I've ever heard." What does she mean by that?

Fern does not agree that just because the pig is small, that it deserves  
to be killed. She used herself as an example "If I had been very small at  
birth, would you have killed me?" (Page 3).