

# Wendy the Witch

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## Questions



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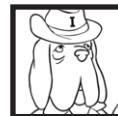
2. Why did Wendy always have flour in her hair?

**Wendy always had flour in her hair because she loved to bake.**



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**Pupils' own responses, such as: I do think that Wendy has a pleasant laugh because in the text it is described like birdsong, which is a lovely sound.**