The Biker - Answers for Red.Green Group:

- 1. A knife was used to slash the tyres.
- 2. Muddy boots marks could be a clue to work out how the wheel got buckled.
- 3. The narrator felt in control of things when she was riding her bike.
- 4. Picture
- 5. "No parents to moan at you" tells us she does not get on with her parents.
- 6. "No teachers telling you that you've got things wrong" tells you she does not like school.
- 7. The race is 5 miles long.
- 8. We don't find out until the end that the rider is a girl, makes you think about how you accept ideas without thinking - there is no reason why it can't be a girl and the story tackles ideas that only boys can do exciting, dangerous activities.
- 9. Vinny could have smashed Kara's bike, if he was really scared he might lose but we can't say for sure. He did say he wanted to actually have the race to prove he was faster, so maybe it doesn't make sense for him to smash the bike. We don't know what kind of person he is, so we can't give a definite answer.
- Some examples of words to describe Kara: Brave, tough, competitive, passionate, determined, talented, fit, adventurous, resilient, focused, driven, sporty (but you may have found some others)