**AO1 Base Therapy: Identify and interpret explicit and implicit information and ideas and select and synthesise evidence from different texts.**

**Explicit** - clearly stated so there is no room for confusion or questions.

**Implicit** - implied or suggested, but not clearly stated.

**Inference** - a conclusion made based on both information/evidence and reasoning.

*This extract is taken from Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson 1883. It describes the character of Billy Bones.*

1. He was a tall man.

I remember him as if it were yesterday, as he came plodding to the inn door, his sea-chest following behind him in a hand-barrow--a tall, strong, heavy, nut-brown man, his tarry pigtail falling over the shoulder of his soiled blue coat, his hands ragged and scarred, with black, broken nails, and the sabre cut across one cheek, a dirty, livid white.

**Task 1:**

Look at the following statements below. They are all clearly stated in the text so there is no room for confusion. This is called the **explicit** meaning.

Re-read the extract and underline the following statements where you find them within the text. The first one has been completed for you.

1. He was a tall man
2. He had a sea chest
3. He had black, broken nails
4. He had a cut on his cheek

**Task 2:**

Using only the **explicit** information you have underlined, create a description of Billy Bones. The paragraph has been started for you.

Billy Bones was a tall man who

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