



Grannie

Years later war broke out and I became
A soldier and was wounded while in France.
Back home in hospital, still very lame,
I realised suddenly that circumstance
Had brought me close to that small town where she
Was living still. And so I seized the chance
To write and ask if she could visit me.

She came. And I still vividly recall
The shock that I received when she appeared
That dark cold day. Huge grannie was so small!
A tiny, frail, old lady. It was weird.
She hobbled through the ward to where I lay
And drew quite close and, hesitating, peered.
And then she smiled: and love lit up the day.

1. What was **one** effect of the poet getting injured in the war?

1 mark

2. Look at the verse beginning: *Years later...*

Find and copy a group of words that means the same as 'took the opportunity'.

1 mark

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3. *She came. And I still vividly recall...*

What do the words *vividly recall* mean?

2 marks