

CHAPTER 8

Comprehension

1 Match the two halves to form true sentences.

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| 1. Allnutt asked Rose if she thought that | a. could make torpedoes. |
| 2. Rose asked Allnutt if he | b. looked like candles. |
| 3. To Rose's mind the explosives | c. attack in the morning. |
| 4. Rose and Allnutt agreed to | d. the boat to sink. |
| 5. The storm caused | e. the Germans had seen them. |

2 Put the following events in the order in which they happened. Write 1-6 in the boxes.

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| a. The African Queen was tossed about in the water like a toy. | <input type="text"/> |
| b. Rose and Charlie saw the Queen Louisa return. | <input type="text"/> |
| c. The German ship changed the direction in which it was travelling. | <input type="text"/> |
| d. A sudden storm broke out on the lake. | <input type="text"/> |
| e. Charlie explained that he could carry out the attack by himself. | <input type="text"/> |
| f. Charlie finished making the torpedoes. | <input type="text"/> |

Vocabulary

3 Find words or phrases in Chapter 8 which mean the opposite from:

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| 1. far away | <input type="text"/> | (page 40) |
| 2. with other people | <input type="text"/> | (page 40) |
| 3. thin | <input type="text"/> | (page 42) |
| 4. a pleasant experience | <input type="text"/> | (page 42) |
| 5. jump out of | <input type="text"/> | (page 44) |
| 6. bright | <input type="text"/> | (page 44) |

4 Match the words 1-8 with their definitions a-h.

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| 1. predictable | a. look similar to another person or thing |
| 2. cylinder | b. to twist and turn in different directions |
| 3. touched | c. something which helps someone float in water |
| 4. lifebuoy | d. feeling happy and grateful because of something somebody has done |
| 5. resemble | e. a tube with round ends and long straight sides |
| 6. invention | f. something you expected |
| 7. mend | g. something that has been designed or made for the first time |
| 8. swirl | h. to repair something that has been broken |

Follow-up activities

5 Discuss.

- Charlie and Rose hid from the Queen Louisa because they were planning a surprise attack. Do you like surprises? Why? / Why not?
- Charlie says that the Germans were predictable and followed routines. Why do you think the Germans kept to the same routine?
- Charlie knew that it would be very dangerous to attack the Germans. Should he have made Rose wait for him in a safe place on the bank of the lake? Why? / Why not?
- Charlie and Rose had to wait patiently for the return of the Queen Louisa. How do you feel when you have to wait a long time for something important to happen? What can you do to stay calm and not get nervous?
- What will happen to Rose and Charlie? Will they drown? Who could rescue them?

6 Imagine that you are Rose rescued from the boat that sank in a storm. Make a poster and write a description of the missing Allnutt, who fell overboard during the bad weather. (80 - 100 words)