

CHAPTER 2

Comprehension

1 Read the sentences and decide if they are True or False. Write T or F in the boxes.

1. Allnutt was worried about their supplies. ☐
2. Rose didn't want to go to the lake to fight the Germans. ☐
3. Allnutt explained that blasting gelatine was an explosive. ☐
4. There were some torpedoes on the African Queen. ☐
5. Allnutt taught Rose how to control the boat. ☐
6. Rose was too cold to sleep during her first night on the boat. ☐

2 Complete the following sentences with the names in the box.

Rose Allnutt von Hanneken the Queen Louisa

1. _____ was a German leader, who controlled Central Africa.
2. _____ wanted revenge for her brother's death.
3. _____ was a ship on patrol on the lake.
4. _____ didn't believe that the African Queen could get to the lake.
5. _____ and _____ decided they should use the blasting gelatine to attack the Germans.

Vocabulary

3 Choose a, b or c to answer the following questions.

1. The _____ on this river make it difficult to navigate.
a. rapids b. flies c. edges
2. She _____ with disappointment when she realised she would miss her flight to Paris.
a. wiped b. sighed c. attached
3. The ship dropped _____ in the deep blue waters of the lake.
a. brow b. cylinder c. anchor

4. Cats like to sleep on _____.
a. detonators b. tasks c. rugs

4 Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the words in capitals.

1. Learning three languages at the same time is very _____. CHALLENGE
2. The truck was carrying several boxes of _____. EXPLODE
3. The bomb is useless without a _____. DETONATE
4. John is very stubborn. It is _____ to try and change his mind. POINT
5. Children need a lot of love and _____ to be happy. ATTEND
6. I don't like fresh tomatoes in the winter, so I use _____ ones for my cooking. TIN

Follow-up activities

5 Discuss

1. Do you agree with Rose's decision to want revenge? Why?/Why not?
2. Allnutt thought Rose's plan was crazy and impossible to do. Should people who have dreams be supported or stopped? Why?
3. Rose's life has become very different. Do you prefer your life to be always the same or have lots of changes? Why?
4. If Allnutt decides to take the African Queen towards the Germans, what dangers do you think that Rose and Allnutt will face?

6 Imagine you are Rose. Write your story expressing your thoughts and feelings, beginning with the words: 'The only thing in my mind was revenge!' (100 - 120 words)