

CHAPTER 9

Comprehension

1 Answer the following questions.

1. What was the reaction of the Queen Louisa's captain when Allnutt was brought to him?
2. Why didn't Allnutt answer the Captain's questions?
3. Where was the African Queen last seen?
4. How did the Captain secretly feel about the prisoners?
5. What did the Captain decide to do with the prisoners?

2 What do the words in bold refer to?

1. He opened a locker and took out a white uniform jacket, **which** he gave to Rose. (page 48)
2. '... **that** was a very dangerous thing to do.' (page 48)
3. **He** should be in bed.' (page 48)
4. '... but he wasn't too worried about **that**.' (pages 48-49)

Vocabulary

3 Choose a, b or c to complete the following sentences.

1. The mountain rescue team found two walkers _____ around lost and confused.
 - a. staring
 - b. wandering
 - c. admiring
2. A lot of sports teams have the name of their sponsors _____ on their shirts.
 - a. printed
 - b. assumed
 - c. considered
3. I always feel calm when I _____ my cat.
 - a. search
 - b. release
 - c. stroke
4. Niagara Falls has a number of fast-moving _____.
 - a. missionaries
 - b. rapids
 - c. islands

5. Two men were arrested at midnight at the border crossing. They are suspected _____.
 - a. threats
 - b. officers
 - c. spies

4 Complete the following sentences using the words in the box.

respond canoe protective courage master torn

1. Despite hours of training, Tom's dog never obeys his _____.
2. Many Native Americans still use a _____ for fishing in mountain streams.
3. Scientists working in laboratories often have to wear _____ clothing to protect themselves from dangerous chemicals.
4. My sister is waiting to see how many people will _____ to her wedding invitation.
5. You need a lot of _____ to be a stuntman.
6. When I bought this book, I didn't notice that the last pages were _____.

Follow-up activities

5 Discuss.

1. How do you think Charlie felt when he realised that he was alone on the island?
2. The Germans acted in a kind way to Rose and Charlie. They showed respect for their courage. How should the winners behave toward the losers in any situation, such as in a war or even in a sports game?
3. The Captain of the ship made a decision that he knew would make his superior officer, von Hanneken, unhappy. Why did he do that? What do you think the consequences will be?
4. Do you think Rose and Charlie's feelings towards the Germans will change because of the kind way the Captain of the Queen Louisa treated them?

- 6 **Imagine that you are Charlie or Rose and that the Germans are keeping you in separate rooms. A friendly guard has promised to give a message to the other person. Write your letter to express your feelings and what you've been through until now. (100 - 120 words)**