

CHAPTER 7

Comprehension

1 Answer the following questions.

1. How many days did Allnutt think it would take them to get through the mangrove swamp?

2. What were the symptoms of malaria?

3. What did Rose do after getting out of the mangrove swamp and getting herself clean?

4. Where did Rose and Charlie hide the African Queen?

5. What kind of gun could be seen on the Queen Louisa's deck?

2 Read the following statements. In each box write T if the sentence is True and F if the sentence is False.

1. The heat was the worst part of being in the swamp. ☐
2. When Rose and Allnutt reached the lake they found out that the water was very dirty. ☐
3. Charlie wanted to attack the Queen Louisa as soon as he saw it. ☐
4. Rose thought that the Germans were unaware of the position of the African Queen. ☐
5. The Queen Louisa sailed in the opposite direction to the African Queen. ☐

Vocabulary

3 Rose is reviewing recent events. Complete the sentences with words or phrases from Chapter 7.

My brother has been murdered, the village and the mission have been destroyed. But I must try and help my country. My plan is for the African Queen to attack the Queen Louisa. But Charlie and I are

both sick. We have had (1) _____ and the days in that dark, terrible swamp (2) _____. Luckily, we reached the lake and had the chance to (3) _____ in the refreshing water. After that, something really important happened. I saw a (4) _____ on the horizon and realised that it was the (5) _____. It is a very impressive ship, (6) _____ bright white and with a dangerous (7) _____ on its deck. We want to attack the Queen Louisa by surprise, so we found a safe place in some (8) _____ to hide the African Queen from the view of the Germans.

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

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1. The idea of bungee-jumping fills me with _____.
2. Most modern couples share their household _____, such as the washing and the ironing.
3. The changing room in the gym has _____ on the walls for hanging clothes.
4. An athlete has to show a lot of _____ to become a champion.
5. Mr Jones is a very helpful and _____ head teacher.
6. Jane has a small but _____ tattoo on her neck.

Follow-up activities

5 Discuss.

1. Rose and Allnutt get sick in the mangrove swamp. How do you think this will affect their plan? What can they do to fight their illness?
2. Who shows the greater strength of character, Rose or Allnutt? Why?
3. How can everyday comforts, or the lack of them, affect our mood?
4. What do you think will happen to Rose and Allnutt if the Queen Louisa discovers the hiding place of the African Queen?

6 Imagine that you are Rose or Allnutt. Write a page in your diary describing the days in the mangrove swamp. (100 - 120 words)