

CHAPTER 7

Reading Comprehension

1 Answer the questions.

- How does Edward plan to get down from the plateau?

- What did Edward take with him when he ran into the woods with Lord John?

- Where did Lord John think that the apemen would go first?

- What weapons did the apemen fight with?

- How was Challenger carried away from his camp?

- How did the apemen kill their enemies?

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

- Edward looked over the side of the cliff and saw Mojo cooking a meal. ☐
- Zambo believed that the evil spirits took Edward's friends. ☐
- Lord John woke Edward by putting his hand on Edward's arm. ☐
- Lord John said that the apemen were throwing apples from the trees. ☐
- Challenger, Summerlee and Lord John were dragged through the forest by the apemen. ☐
- The apemen and the humans were at war with each other. ☐

Vocabulary

3 Choose the correct word.

- If you ever have the amazement / opportunity to study abroad, make sure you take it. ☐

- The children went to the forest to gather some sticks / stones for the campfire.
- Her face was so **torn** / **pale**; I could tell that she hadn't been sleeping very well lately.
- Oh, your hand is **glassy** / **bloody** - when did you cut your finger?
- The sofa was too heavy for her to pick up, so she had to **peer** / **drag** it across the room.
- Neal ran all the way home from school and was **racing** / **panting** when walked into the living room.

4 Match.

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| 1. animal | a. sleep |
| 2. faithful | b. clothes |
| 3. thick | c. servant |
| 4. wild | d. clump of bushes |
| 5. great | e. track |
| 6. deep | f. concern |
| 7. torn | g. animals |

Follow-up activities

5 Discuss.

- After speaking to Zambo, Edward lit three fires in a triangle before he went to sleep. Why do you think that he did this? Do you know or can you guess what kind of signal this is?
- Why did Lord John return to the camp? Were you surprised to learn that all of the men are still alive? Do you think that they will all survive the lost world?
- There is a war between the apemen and humans. Why do you think that is? Which side do you think is more powerful? Why?
- Challenger is very similar physically to the king of the apemen. How does this account for the apemen's special treatment of him?
- What do you think of the way the apemen treat their prisoners? Do you think they will manage to capture Lord John and Malone?

- Imagine you are Professor Challenger. Write a diary entry describing how you were captured by the apemen, how they treated you and your companions, and what you witnessed in the ape-town. (100-120 words)