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When I was a boy, I belonged to the Boy Scouts so I used to go camping every summer, and once something happened which I have never been able to explain. We were camping in a place above a river. After arriving, we all rushed down to the river and had a swim. Standing by the river, we noticed that it was surrounded(环绕) by cliffs(悬崖). If someone wanted to reach the river at this point, he had to walk past our camp. Several days later, the scoutmaster had to be away for a day. That afternoon, we had supper early. We were sitting round the fire, eating and talking, when a man walked past and went down towards the river. We all felt that this man looked very strange, but, because each of us was afraid of looking very stupid, no one said anything. We ate rather slowly, taking as long as possible. After finishing, we collected our plates together so that we could take them to the river where we always washed them. But no one moved towards the rivere stood looking at each other ashamed. Then all shouting at once, we began talking about the man who had walked past us. We agreed how strange he looked and we wondered what he could be doing by the river. We knew that he could only return by passing through our camp. An hour passed. Then one of the boys suggested we should creep(悄悄移动) down by the river so that we could see what the man was doing. Moving very slowly and keeping in the shadow, we crept down towards the bank. One boy climbed a tree so that he could see everything clearly. He called to us that there was no one there, so we ran down to the bank, looking everywhere carefully. We could not understand where the man had gone. When it got dark, we went back to our camp feeling bewildered. We told the scoutmaster what had happened in the evening. Smiling, he doubted that we had seen the man, but finally suggested we go and look again. We did, but there was no one there. Many years have passed, but I still remember it as if it were yesterday. What did we see? I do not know. ### 1. The writer in the text mainly tells us \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. \* A. the story of his childhood \* B. a strange camping experience \* C. about a stranger by the river \* D. about a good place for camping ### 2. Why did the boys eat their supper slowly? \* A. They wanted to delay going to the river bank. \* B. They were sitting for their scoutmaster. \* C. They had a supper earlier than usual. \* D. They were taking while eating. ### 3. The word “Bewildered” in the text probably means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. \* A. ashamed \* B. nervous \* C. unable to understand \* D. eager to know something ### 4. When he heard what had happened, the scoutmaster \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. \* A. realized who the man was \* B. started to worry about the man \* C. went back to look for the man \* D. felt it hard to believe the boys ### 5. The writer still remembers the event because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. \* A. the boys acted foolishly \* B. the camping place is beautiful \* C. there has been no explanation for the event \* D. he particularly enjoyed his camping that summer. ## 阅读答案 ### 1. B。这是一道对全文主旨进行判断的题目。A项内容涉及面太广应排除，D项内容文中未涉及，C项内容应包含在 B 项之中。 ### 2. A。文中第3段提及：We ate rather slowly, taking as long as possible ?no one moved towards the river—we stood looking at each other ashamed. 可知孩子们细嚼慢咽，不敢去河边洗碗，是因为对这个陌生人的怪诞先是感到害怕，后又因胆小而感到难为情，故应选A。 ### 3. C。明明看到一个人去了河边，却到处找不到，故选 C，即“不可理解”(unable to understand)。 ### 4. D。文中提及孩子们将这一奇遇告知童子军首长后，他笑了，对孩子们是否见到这一奇人颇感怀疑(doubt)，故应选 D。 ### 5. C。由文中第1段后半句 and once something happened which I have been able to explain 可知选答案C。同时从常识角度可知，这一奇遇事件会给作者幼小的心灵烙上永远不可磨灭的、难忘的印迹。