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**Instructions:** Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

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| <p>1. Which of the following gifts do the men leave in one of the native houses?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ beads</li> <li>Ⓑ ribbons</li> <li>Ⓒ clothing</li> <li>Ⓓ all of the above</li> </ul> <p>2. Why does Will write letters to his daughter, Chelsey, when he knows he can't send them while out at sea?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ He thinks he can send them at the next port.</li> <li>Ⓑ He wants to pretend she is on board the boat with him.</li> <li>Ⓒ He wants to give her the letters later so she will know what he did while at sea.</li> <li>Ⓓ All of the above</li> </ul> | <p>3. Which of the following events is part of the rising action in this story?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ A large piece of coral plugs the hole in the ship.</li> <li>Ⓑ The crew needs fresh water to drink.</li> <li>Ⓒ Seaweed covers the hole.</li> <li>Ⓓ None of the pumps fail.</li> </ul> <p>4. Why don't the natives take the gifts Will and his fellow sailors toss to them?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ They don't like the gifts.</li> <li>Ⓑ They have all the things they need.</li> <li>Ⓒ They want to hurt the sailors' feelings.</li> <li>Ⓓ They don't want anything to do with the invaders.</li> </ul> <p>5. The chalky cliffs on the coast of New Holland make the men feel _____.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ happy</li> <li>Ⓑ humble</li> <li>Ⓒ hungry</li> <li>Ⓓ homesick</li> </ul> |
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6. What is the resolution in this story?
  - Ⓐ The ship was freed from the reef.
  - Ⓑ The crew needs fresh water to drink.
  - Ⓒ Unfriendly natives may be nearby.
  - Ⓓ The ship took on water quickly.
7. Why does Will say, "Maybe it is good that we have not gone ashore," when he sees the smoke rising from the forests?
  - Ⓐ There might be a forest fire.
  - Ⓑ Someone has made camp there already.
  - Ⓒ This is a sign there may be unfriendly natives there.
  - Ⓓ The men don't want to have to put out a fire in the forest.
8. How do the men all behave during the crisis on the coral reef?
  - Ⓐ calmly
  - Ⓑ professionally
  - Ⓒ energetically
  - Ⓓ all of the above
9. Why does the captain order the crew to throw firewood, water, and cannons overboard?
  - Ⓐ The ship will be lighter and float higher without these things.
  - Ⓑ The crew doesn't need these things anymore.
  - Ⓒ The ship will move faster in the wind without these things on board.
  - Ⓓ The natives can gather these things up and make use of them.
10. Read this sentence: *The crew had to decide whether to repair the ship or **salvage** parts for a new ship.* What does **salvage** mean?
  - Ⓐ to destroy
  - Ⓑ to buy
  - Ⓒ to save
  - Ⓓ to measure

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**11. Extended Response:** To the natives of New Holland, what seemed odd or frightening about the men from the ship?

**12. Extended Response:** If you were Will Reynolds, how would you describe your experiences on *The Endeavour*?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## The Reef

Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Plot

1. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓑ *Analyze Plot*
4. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
5. Ⓓ *Analyze Character*
6. Ⓐ *Analyze Plot*
7. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
8. Ⓓ *Story Elements*
9. Ⓐ *Cause and Effect*
10. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers will vary, but should include the following: *the men have light skin, wear strange clothes; come to their land in very large, unusual boats; and have strange weapons.*
12. Answers will vary, but likely would include facts about the following: *the strange animals, the natives, the time the ship ran aground on the coral reef, and the long trip to and from England.*