

To Hope and Back: Section 6

Name: _____ Date: _____

Lisa (pp 98-106) | Sol (pp 107-116) | What the Captain Knew (pp 117-124)

Vocabulary

Read each word and determine its meaning from the context of the story. Then, fill in the blanks in the sentences.

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| spectacle | Mutti says we are a spectacle to the Havana citizens that have come to gawk at us. (p.100) |
| doubt | But since there is no news from the captain, the excitement has given way to doubt and now fear about what will happen to us. (p.104) |
| intensity | The midday sun is harsh, pouring down on us with the intensity of a bonfire.(p.104) |
| makeshift | Around me women try to cool themselves with makeshift fans, and men have wrapped their handkerchiefs around their necks. (p.104) |
| glistens | He is bald and the sun glistens off his shiny brow. (p.104) |
| gesturing | She is practically jumping up and down, gesturing wildly. (p.105) |
| imploring | My arms reach out, imploring Uncle Werner to scale the side of the ship and pluck me off the deck. (p.105) |
| rummage | Mutti turns from the window to rummage through her suitcase. (p.116) |
| jeopardy | Everyone knew that if the ship sailed back to Germany the lives of each of the Jewish passengers would be in jeopardy. (p.119) |
| anguished | On Friday, June 2, to the anguished cries of many of its passengers, the St. Louis pulled anchor and eased its way out of the Havana port. (p.123) |

- 1) The _____ of the storm grew stronger as the wind howled louder.
- 2) The lake _____ in the sunlight, sparkling like diamonds.
- 3) The teacher encouraged the students to express themselves by _____ with their hands.
- 4) The circus was a dazzling _____ of acrobats, clowns, and animals.
- 5) She looked _____ as she waited for news about her missing dog.
- 6) I have no _____ that we'll win the game with our strong team.
- 7) With tears in her eyes, she looked at her parents, _____ them to let her stay a little longer.
- 8) They built a _____ shelter in the woods using branches and leaves.
- 9) The climber's reckless actions put his life in _____ on the steep mountain.
- 10) We had to _____ through the attic to find the old photo album.

Chapter Questions

Why were people in boats coming out to see the St. Louis? (p.100-102)

How did Lisa react when she saw her Uncle Werner? (p.104-106)

Sol shows good problem solving skills in this chapter. What was the problem and how did he solve it?
(p.115)

Personal Reflection

Captain Schroeder and the passengers wrote messages to people who they thought might be able to help. One of those letters was written to President Bru's wife:

Over 900 passengers, 400 women and children, ask you to use your influence and help us out of this terrible situation. Traditional humanitarianism of your country and your woman's feelings give us hope that you will not refuse our request. (p.122)

Why do you think that they wrote this letter to the president's wife? What does this tell you about the ways in which women were viewed in 1939? Write a reflection paragraph using information from the text as well as your own ideas, opinions, and connections.
