**Chapter 1 An Island on the River**

Before You Read

[Sample Answers]

1. I think they will play and swim in the island on the river.

2. I see six boys playing and swimming together in the river.

3. I think they are friends because they are playing together.

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.
(c)

B. Match the characters.
1. The best at math • • Fritz
2. Otto’s younger brother • • Otto
3. The joker of the group • • Percy
4. About to teach at a country school • • Tip
5. A fat boy with a freckled face • • Arthur
6. The tallest with green eyes • • The Narrator

**Chapter 2 Fortune in the Stars?**

Before You Read

[Sample Answers]

1. It is something destined to happen in people’s lives.

2. They are lying around the watch fire.

3. I think some believe in and some do not.

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.
(b)

B. Put a check √ next to the correct information.

√ The boys collected berries. √ The boys all looked up at the sky.

√ Percy could see the North Star. Otto asked about the hidden gold.

√ The moon came up red. Aztecs used to sacrifice the boys.

√ Arthur believed in Aztecs sacrifices. √ Tip wondered where the river begins.

 The map showed where the river begins. Aztecs looked for gold.

**Chapter 3 The Enchanted Bluff**

Before You Read

[Sample Answers]

1. It means something is under a spell.

2. I see a bluff, a lake, and two Indians in a desert.

3. I do not know it is real or not. I think it is only a place the boys talk about.

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.
(a)

B. Write T for True or F for False.

1. F

2. F

3. F

4. F

5. T

6. T

7. T

8. F

9. T

10. F

**Chapter 4 Around Midnight**

Before You Read

[Sample Answers]

1. I think they will talk about the enchanted bluff around midnight.

2. They are looking at a big white bird flying over the river.

3. I have stayed up after midnight.

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.
(a)

B. Put the story in order from 1 to 7.

• 1

• 2

• 4

• 3

• 7

• 5

• 6

**Chapter 5 What Happened Later**

Before You Read

[Sample Answers]

1. Because there was nothing but cactus and desert for hundreds of miles, yet right under the Bluff there’s water and plenty of grass.

2. It’s winter.

3. I think somebody will try to go there. They all wanted to go there and even made a promise.

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.
(a)

B. Write the information in the right place.

1. e 2. b 3. a 4. f 5. d 6. c

**Chapter 6 Still Dreaming**

Before You Read

[Sample Answers]

1. I think some of the boys are still dreaming to go up the Enchanted Bluff.

2. They are shaking their hands on a street.

3. I think at least one of them will go to the Enchanted Bluff. Some of them are still dreaming.

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.
(c)

B. Put information in the right place.

Arthur said he was going there c the weather got cooler. → Arthur said he might visit the Grand Canyon e . → Arthur died d the tree in his front yard. → Tip will a until his boy, Bert, is old enough to go with him. → I b , will any of us ever make it there?