

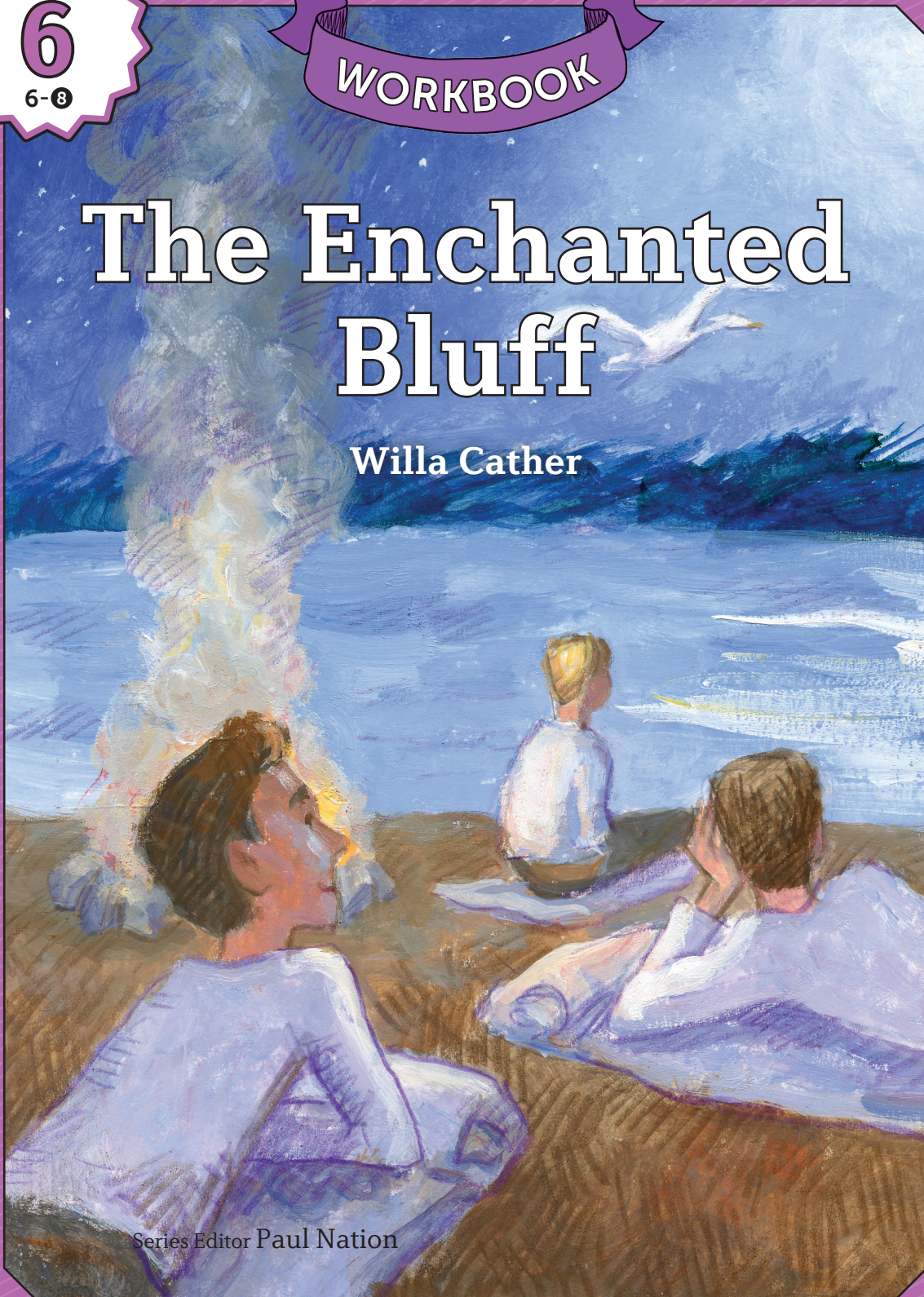
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WORKBOOK

The Enchanted Bluff

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Reading Activities

[Chapter 1] An Island on the River

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What do you think the boys will do on an island in the river?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 8. How many boys do you see? What are they doing?
- 3 Do you think the boys are friends? Why or why not?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

Where did the boys build their watch fire?

- a. In the corn fields
- b. In the cabin
- c. On a small island

B. Match the characters.

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| 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

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What is 'fortune'?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 10. What are the boys doing?
- 3 Do you think the boys believe in the fortune in the stars?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

Who said, "Some folks say everybody's fortune is written out in the stars"?

- a. Percy
- b. Otto
- c. Arthur

B. Put a check next to the correct information.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> The boys collected berries. | <input type="checkbox"/> The boys all looked up at the sky. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Percy could see the North Star. | <input type="checkbox"/> Otto asked about hidden gold. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The moon came up red. | <input type="checkbox"/> Aztecs used to sacrifice animals. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arthur believed in Aztec sacrifices. | <input type="checkbox"/> Tip wondered where the river begins. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The map showed where the river begins. | <input type="checkbox"/> Aztecs looked for gold |

[Chapter 3] The Enchanted Bluff

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What does 'enchanted' mean?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 17. What do you see?
- 3 Do you think the Enchanted Bluff is a real place?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

Who started talking about the Enchanted Bluff?

- a. Tip
- b. Otto
- c. Percy

B. Write T for True or F for False.

1. The boys' conversation turned to talk about gold and treasure. _____
2. Arthur wanted to go to a large city. _____
3. Percy said nothing. _____
4. Tip wanted to see a big store in Chicago. _____
5. Tip's uncle told him about the Enchanted Bluff. _____
6. A peaceful tribe lived on the Enchanted Bluff. _____
7. The tribe only went down to hunt and get water. _____
8. A war party had made steps on the side of the bluff. _____
9. Nobody has ever been up the Enchanted Bluff after the awful storm. _____
10. The war party starved to death up on the Enchanted Bluff. _____

[Chapter 4] Around Midnight

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What do you think the boys will do around midnight?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 20. What are the boys doing?
- 3 How late have you stayed up?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What did the boys promise to each other?

- a. Whoever gets to the Bluff first has to tell everyone exactly what he finds.
- b. Whoever gets to the Bluff first has to share the treasure with everyone.
- c. That they will find and climb the Bluff together.

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

- Tip wanted to see what is left of the town. _____
- A whooping crane flew away. _____
- The boys made a promise. _____
- The Hassler boys said that it must be after midnight. _____
- The boys jumped into the river just as the sun rose. _____
- The narrator woke with fear that he might lose the race to the Bluff. _____
- The narrator watched the sky get brighter. _____

[Chapter 5] What Happened Later

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Why do you think people call the Bluff “The Enchanted Bluff”?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 25. What season is it?
- 3 Do you think the boys will go to the Bluff? Why or why not?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

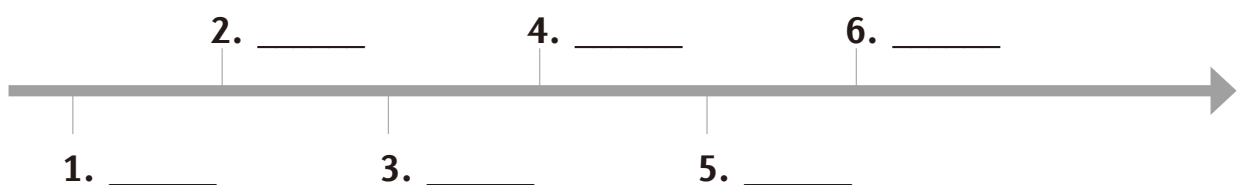
How many years have passed since that night on the river?

- a. Twenty five years
- b. Twenty years
- c. Thirty years

B. Write the information in the right place.

- a. None of us have ever climbed the Enchanted Bluff.
- b. Twenty years have passed.
- c. Arthur died at the age of twenty-five.
- d. The Hasslers became the town tailors.
- e. We talked about how to get to the Bluff.
- f. Percy became a stockbroker.

What happened later ...



[Chapter 6] Still Dreaming

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think is still dreaming?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 28. What are they doing?
- 3 Do you think the narrator still wants to go to the Enchanted Bluff?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

Who still talked about going to see the Enchanted Bluff?

- a. Percy
- b. Otto
- c. Tip

B. Put information in the right place.

a. wait b. wonder c. as soon as d. under e. as well

Still Dreaming →

Arthur said he was going there _____
the weather got cooler. →

Arthur said he might visit the Grand Canyon _____.

Arthur died _____ the tree in his front yard. →

Tip will _____ until his boy, Bert, is old enough to go with him. →

I _____, will any of us ever make it there? →