

Title: David Livingstone's Journal

Word Study

Fill in the blanks using the words.

tribe	cattle	constant	ivory	discouraged
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1. We live near the railroad tracks, so there is constant noise from the trains.
2. In many parts of Africa, each tribe has its own language.
3. You shouldn't feel discouraged if you fail, just try again.
4. My aunt and uncle raise cattle on their farm.
5. Many elephants have been killed because people wanted ivory.

Reading Comprehension

A. Circle T for true or F for false.

1. Livingstone wanted to set up a mission in Cape Town. T / F
2. He was badly hurt in Mabotsa when a tiger attacked him. T / F
3. His wife Mary worked as a teacher at the mission. T / F
4. Africans helped Livingstone explore the Zambezi River area. T / F
5. He was the first person from Europe to see Victoria Falls. T / F

B. Circle the correct word(s).

1. The villagers in Mabotsa (respected / feared) Dr. Livingstone.
2. Livingstone (brought / made) many maps on his travels.
3. It was often difficult for him to get enough (water / food).
4. He found that the Zambezi River was not good for (fishing / shipping).
5. Livingstone discovered several new (lakes / mountains).

C. Choose the best answer.

1. An animal attack hurt Livingstone's _____.
 - a. face
 - b. leg
 - c. back
 - d. arm

2. What did the Africans who traveled with Livingstone hope to find?
 - a. Cattle
 - b. Ivory
 - c. The Nile's source
 - d. Lions

3. Whom did Livingstone name Victoria Falls after?
 - a. The queen
 - b. His wife
 - c. His daughter
 - d. A native woman

4. Why was Henry M. Stanley looking for Livingstone?
 - a. Because he was an old friend
 - b. Because Livingstone's wife sent him
 - c. Because he also wanted to find the source of the Nile
 - d. Because a newspaper sent him

5. In 1872, Livingstone traveled less and less because _____.
 - a. he missed his family
 - b. he had reached all his goals
 - c. he had become ill
 - d. his helpers had left him

Summary

Fill in the blanks with the words.

speeches	roar	mission	spears	resources
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Dr. David Livingstone's journal tells about his travels in Africa beginning in 1841. The British doctor went to the South African village of Mabotsa to establish a mission. He also wanted to find the source of the Nile River. Along the way he spent time in Kuruman, where he met his future wife. While in Mabotsa, Livingstone helped sick villagers. He also helped them hunt lions with spears. For many years, he traveled back and forth between England and Africa. In England he wrote and gave speeches. In Africa he explored the Zambezi River region. He also looked for resources for England. Conditions were difficult. Livingstone discovered and named Victoria Falls, which impressed him with its roar. On his last trip, which began in 1866, he was out of contact for several years. An American named Henry Stanley found him and asked him to return home, but Livingstone refused. He died in 1873. He never found the source of the Nile. But he helped many people and taught the world about Africa.