

Rainbow Readers

Title: My Close Call

Word Study

Fill in the blanks using the words.

glanced	kidding	trail	assured	sniffed
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1. They took the easiest trail to the top of the mountain.
2. I didn't mean to offend you; I was just kidding.
3. The dog sniffed the bag because he could smell the food in it.
4. She glanced out the window to see if it was raining.
5. The doctor assured him that he was going to be fine.

Reading Comprehension

A. Circle T for true or F for false.

1. Kayla blames Becky for their close call. T / F
2. Kayla and her parents enjoy camping. T / F
3. There are no mountains in Yellowstone National Park. T / F
4. The first night, they all sat around the fire and told funny stories. T / F
5. Becky wasn't afraid when they heard the rustling sound. T / F

B. Circle the correct word(s).

1. After the girls had hiked a while, (Becky / **Kayla**) suggested they turn back.
2. The bear cubs were (eating / **playing**) when the girls saw them.
3. When the mother bear arrived, Becky (**ran away** / ducked and hid).
4. The mother bear smelled (Kayla / **berries**) in the bushes.
5. (**Becky** / Kayla) returned to camp first after their close call.

C. Choose the best answer.

1. Which is NOT true about Becky?

- a. She is Kayla's best friend.
- b. She likes to have outdoor adventures.
- c. She lives near Kayla.
- d. She invited Kayla to Yellowstone.

2. At first, Kayla thought Old Faithful looked _____.

- a. Ordinary
- b. Strange
- c. Beautiful
- d. Huge

3. For about how long did water spray out of Old Faithful?

- a. Eight minutes
- b. Five minutes
- c. Three minutes
- d. One minute

4. Which did the girls NOT do on the first day at Yellowstone?

- a. Help put up the tent
- b. Roast hot dogs
- c. See a waterfall
- d. Fall asleep quickly

5. Which of the following did the mother bear do?

- a. Chase Becky
- b. Chase Kayla
- c. Play with the cubs
- d. Feed berries to the cubs

Summary

Fill in the blanks with the words.

rustling	waterfall	cubs	hike	geyser
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Kayla and her parents were planning a trip to Yellowstone National Park. This was exciting, and even better, Kayla was allowed to invite her best friend, Becky. They both loved having fun outdoors. At Yellowstone, the first thing their guide showed them was the well-known geyser called Old Faithful. That day they also had a boat ride and a hike. The following day they saw a huge waterfall. On the third day, Kayla and Becky took a forest walk by themselves. They were about to head back when they heard something rustling. It was two cute young bears. As the girls admired them, their mother arrived and gave a loud roar. Kayla hid in the bushes, and the mother bear started chasing Becky! Luckily, she soon stopped and began eating berries instead. The girls made it safely back to camp. The next day, the guide warned them never to go near bear cubs. The girls smiled, because they already knew that!