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Literature UK: Chain Reaction - exercises

Read the story and then do these exercises to check your understanding.

1. Check your understanding: true or false

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Circle True or False for these sentences.

1.	All the passengers were enjoying the cruise.	True	False
2.	The passengers complained about the weather.	True	False
3.	The chief engineer was often in a bad mood.	True	False
4.	When the ship stopped, the captain drank his coffee.	True	False
5.	The ship's propeller was caught on a big chain.	True	False
6.	The propeller blades were damaged by the chain.	True	False
7.	The place where the ship stopped was beautiful.	True	False
8.	After they got the chain free it dropped into the sea.	True	False
9.	It took only a few minutes to pull the chain onto the boat.	True	False
10.	Finally the captain realised why the sea level was going down.	True	False

2. Check your understanding: matching

Match the two sentence halves and write a-e next to the number 1-5.

- 1...... If the ship hadn't stopped, a. the sea level wouldn't have dropped.
- 2...... If the engineer hadn't acted quickly, b. the captain wouldn't have spilled his coffee.
- 3...... If the ship hadn't stopped in a beautiful place, c. the propeller blades would have been damaged.
- 4...... If the crew hadn't pulled the chain, d. it could have been worse.
- 5...... If they hadn't pulled out the plug, e. they wouldn't have found the plug.

Discussion

Did you enjoy the story?

Have you ever been on a cruise ship?

If so, did you enjoy it? If not, would you like to?

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