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Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

Hatchet Vocabulary

Chapters 3–5

1. What does the word **murky** most likely mean in the sentence below?

"Along the edge there were thick grasses and the water looked a little murky and there were small things swimming in the water, small bugs."



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nose

- b. inhaling the pleasant aroma at a bakery
 - c. seeing beautiful mountains over crystal clear waters
 - d. attending a concert where your favorite band is performing
3. What does the word **aspen** most likely mean in this sentence?

"The aspen was so tall, it seemed to dance in the sky."

- a. a tall skyscraper with lots of windows
- b. one of a few species of trees whose leaves and branches stay still in the wind
- c. a large bird native to the Canadian wilderness
- d. one of a few species of trees whose leaves and branches move very easily in the wind

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- a. Eliana spent two hours searching for her missing earring, without any luck.
 - b. Brandon completed his math homework in only five minutes.
 - c. Elizah zipped through the grocery store, grabbing her milk and quickly cashing out.
 - d. Josh spent an hour on the final project and received an F.
5. What does the word **amphibious** most likely mean in this sentence?

"Probably come in here with amphibious planes, small bushplanes with floats"



The _____ of the car littered the side of the highway for hours after the crash.

- a. remnants
 - b. brush
 - c. horizon
 - d. entire
7. Why do you think the author chose the word **clammy** to describe Brian's clothes?

"His clothes were wet and clammy and there was a faint chill."

- a. to show how uncomfortable and cold he was
- b. to suggest that his clothes were keeping him dry
- c. to indicate that he needs to find new clothes before anything else
- d. to show that he is lucky to have clothes

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"Everything was green, so green it went into him. The forest was largely made up of pines and spruce, with stands of some low brush smeared here and there and thick grass and some other kind of very small brush all over."

- a. The terrain is easy to navigate because it is clear.
- b. The terrain is challenging to navigate because it is completely covered.
- c. There are lots of edible plants around him.



10. What does the word reality **most** likely mean in this sentence?

"Things seemed to go back and forth between reality and imagination—except that it was all reality."

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- b. things that are real
- c. things that must be overcome
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