

Week 1

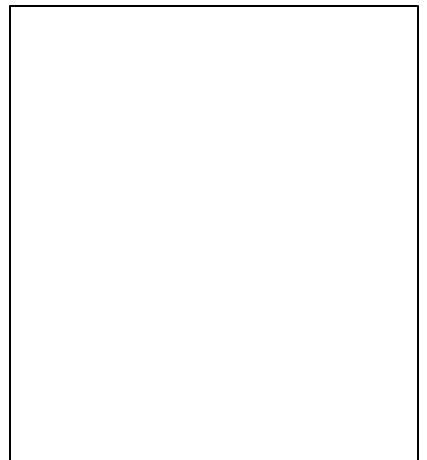
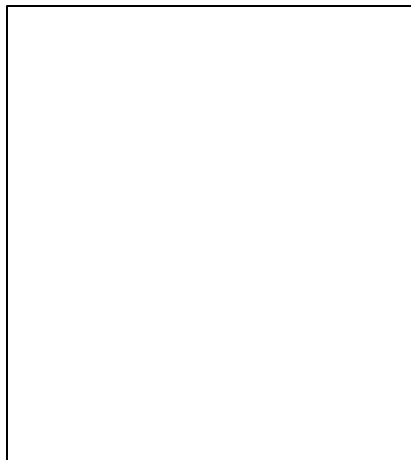
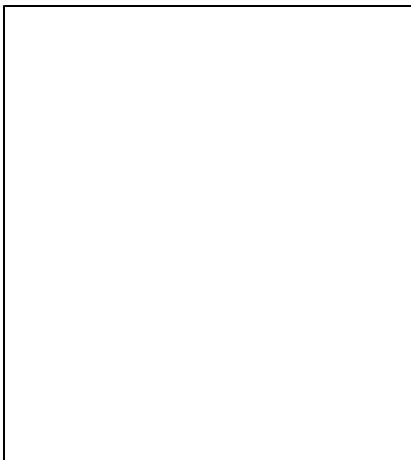
Seeker of Knowledge, written by James Rumford

Lower Grammar

This week, with your teacher, go over rules for handling books. Learn the proper way to take care of books, and where your mom wants you to put them when you are finished with an assignment. Then, answer the questions below.

1. In which year was Jean-Francois Champollion born?_____
2. Who was the great general who was uncovering secrets from the past?_____
3. Jean-Francois met a famous scientist whose home was filled with what?_____
4. What did he want to learn to do?_____
5. What became his nickname?_____
6. What did Jean-Francois save from the flames in Grenoble? _____
7. What was the name of the famous black stone that he studied?_____
8. What was in the small package that he found on his doorstep?_____
9. For what was Jean-Francois known?_____
10. Where did he go on an expedition?_____

Find three of your favorite hieroglyphs and draw them below.

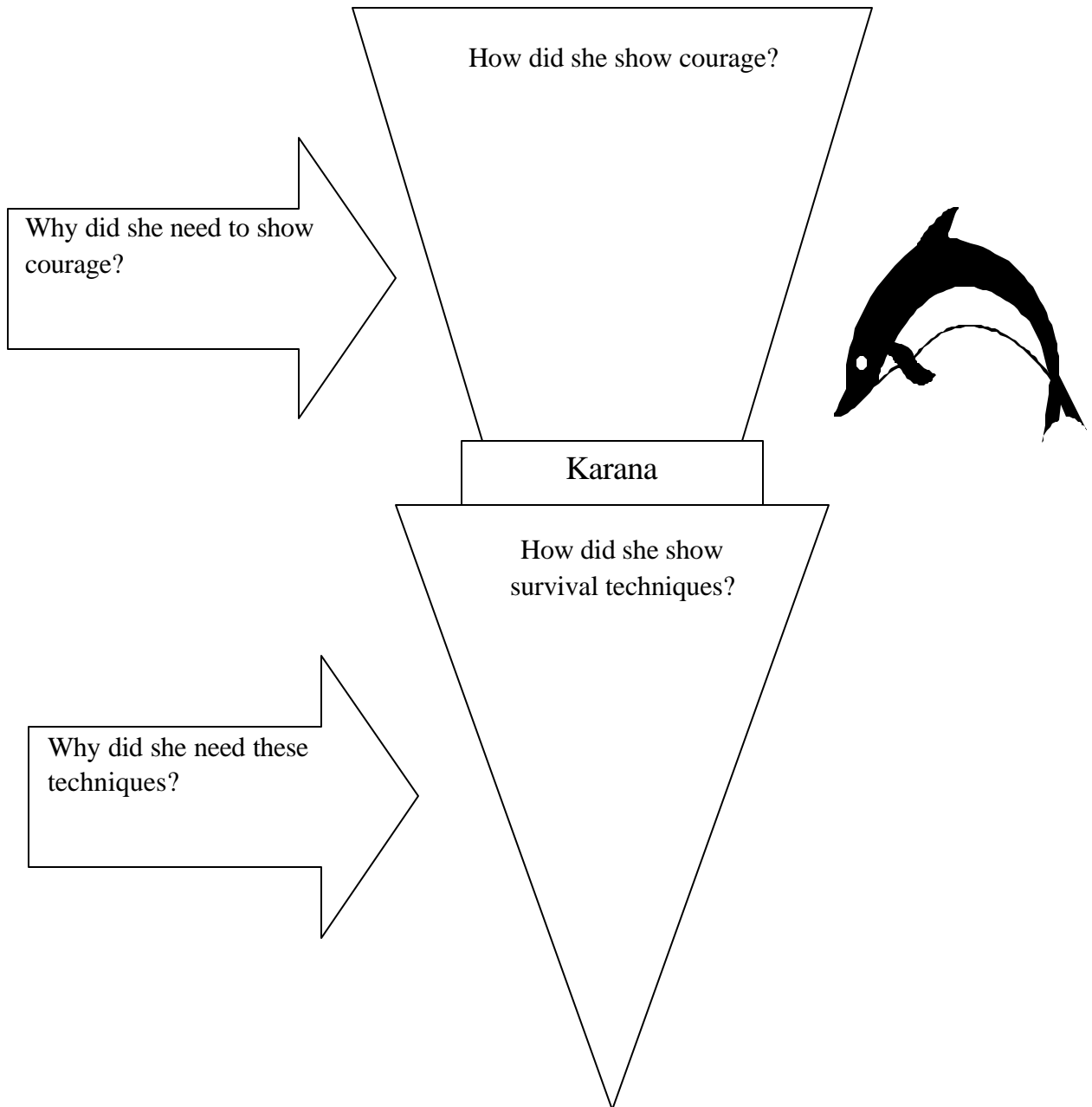


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Island of the Blue Dolphins, written by Scott O'Dell

Upper Grammar

This week, with your teacher, go over rules for handling books. Learn the proper way to take care of books, and where your mom wants you to put them when you are finished with an assignment. Complete the following graphic organizer to discover how the main character, Karana, changes during the course of her time on the Island of the Blue Dolphins. Complete one page for each day's assignment this week.

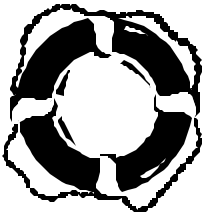


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Swiss Family Robinson, written by Johann David Wyss
Dialectic



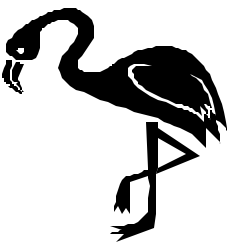
Describe the shipwreck in as much detail as possible.

Describe the shore and what the family found.



What items were rescued from the wrecked vessel?

What became the family's plans for shelter?



What animals were on the island?

Answers to *Seeker of Knowledge* worksheet

Lower Grammar

1. 1790 2. Napoleon 3. Egyptian treasure 4. decipher Egyptian hieroglyphs 5. The Egyptian 6. his notebooks 7. Rosetta stone 8. names of pharaohs copied from a temple wall 9. first to translate ancient writings 10. Egypt

Answers to *Island of the Blue Dolphins* worksheet

Upper Grammar

Answers will vary. Karana showed courage by continually trying new ways of living and providing for herself. If it was not for her ever-ready determination, she would have perished alone on the island. This is evident in chapter 12, where she builds a fence made of whale ribs. The amount of work it took for one young woman to haul these large bones to the headland shows her resolve. The purpose of the fence was to bar animals from taking food, as well as to provide further safety for Karana

Answers to *Swiss Family Robinson* worksheet

Dialectic

Answers will vary because of the many editions available of this book. Look for lots of detail in your student's answers! Examples from the original version: **Shipwreck**-As leaks began to appear in the ship, many people were praying for a miracle. Immediately after land was sighted however, the vessel struck a large rock. The sound of cracking, followed by the rushing of water made for even more desolate moments. The sailors took the life boats and were soon gone. The family was left to fend for themselves. **Shore**-Barren rocks on the coast gave only more despair for the desperate family. However, upon getting closer and closer, they discovered an opening between rocks and could see palm trees. **Items from the wrecked vessel**-nails, pieces of cloth, powder and shot, silver, dishes, kettles, pots, hams, sausages, maize, wheat, potatoes, shovels, hoes, rakes, hammocks, blankets, etc. **Shelter**-a home was built among the roots and branches of a giant tree. Hammocks were strung from branches; bamboo canes and rope formed a ladder. Floors were set, and ceilings like that of a tent were perched to give protection. **Animals**-pigs, monkeys, jackals, porcupine, flamingo, salmon, kangaroo, tortoise, etc.