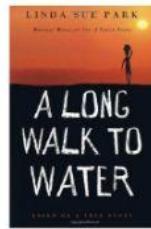


**Reading Comprehension: "A LONG WALK TO WATER" - Chapters 1- 6.**



**Chapter 1.**

1. Read the following statements and decide whether they are referring to Nya or Salva. Choose "N" for Nya or "S" for Salva.

1.1. This character struggles every day to fetch water for her/his family.

1.2. She/He had to run away to avoid being taken as a prisoner.

1.3. Most of her/his duties included working with cattle.

1.4. She/He felt very lucky to be allowed to go to school, not everyone in that tribe could do it.

1.5. Heat, time and thorns were her/his worst enemies.

1.6. The conflict taking place in this story had mainly religious causes.

1.7. Her/his part of the book is based on a true.

1.8. Brown typography(font) is used for her/his story.

**Chapter 2.**

2. Choose the right alternative.

2.1. How would you describe Nya's trips?

- Exhausting
- Hard
- Painful
- All of the above

2.2. Salva's village name is:

- Dinka
- Loun-Ariik
- Nuer
- Jur-chol

2.3. What happens in chapter 2, when Salva and his group meet the rebels?

- They are taken to a rebel camp and then, divided into age groups.
- Rebels kill most of the adults walking with him.
- Salva can finally find his family there.
- Salva is obliged to become a soldier.

2.4. What does Salva discover at the end of chapter 2?

- Salva's uncle was part of the group as well.
- Salva's mother has died.
- Salva is left alone in the barn.
- None of the above.

### **Chapter 3.**

3. Join words in column **A** with their meaning in column **B** (all of them are found in chapter 3).

Column A	Column B
1. <i>Sludge</i>	<i>Swollen and painful.</i>
2. <i>Gourd</i>	<i>To peel nuts.</i>
3. <i>Sore</i>	<i>Amount of something that fits your hand.</i>
4. <i>To Tremble</i>	<i>To shake nervously.</i>
5. <i>Handful</i>	<i>Any kind of pumpkin.</i>
6. <i>To Shell</i>	<i>A type of watery mud.</i>

### **Chapter 4.**

4. Choose the correct alternative:

4.1. Why did Dinka people think it was not a good idea to take Salva with them?

- a) Because he would slow them down.
- b) Because there was already not enough food for everyone.
- c) Because he wouldn't be of much help, since he was too young to do real work.
- d) All of the above.

4.2. What did Salva receive from the old woman before joining the group?

- a) He was given some water to start his journey.
- b) A bag of peanuts.
- c) Worm-rotten fruit.
- d) Some honey taken straight from a beehive.

4.3 . *"This shows that Nya is a respectful daughter".*

This statement is the answer to which question below?

- a) Why does Salva fall behind the group during this journey?
- b) Although she doesn't want to, Nya follows her mother's direction and takes Akeer with her to the pond. What does this show about Nya?
- c) Why didn't the second Dinka group want to take Salva with them?
- d) How does Nya feel about taking her little sister?

4.4. Who was Buksa?

- a) A boy who did not get along with Salva.
- b) A girl from the "Jur-chol" walking next to Salva.
- c) The boy who found the beehive.
- d) None of the above.



## Chapter 5.

5. Decide whether the following statements are true or false about chapter 5. Choose a “T” for true or an “F” for false.

- 5.1.  Nya and her family need to leave their village due to water scarcity.
- 5.2.  Nya is part of the Dinka tribe, as well as Salva.
- 5.3.  Nya and Salva are neighbors and close friends.
- 5.4.  Nuers and Dinkas are in constant conflict because of land issues.
- 5.5.  Salva and Buksa are all swollen because they were stung by bees, while they were removing the hive.
- 5.6.  They had a lot of honey. It lasted for more than a month.
- 5.7.  Salva was always watchful about the newcomers. He was hopeful to find somebody from his family.
- 5.8.  Marial told Salva that they were walking to North Sudan, because there was a lake where they could fetch water.
- 5.9.  At the end of chapter 5, Marial shouts at Salva so they could run away from a lion that was approaching the group.

## Chapter 6.

Drag the questions in chart a) to their corresponding answers in chart b).

a)

What did Nya like about the lake camp?	QUESTIONS	How did Salva feel when he saw his Uncle Jewiir?
What happened to Salva and some others after eating the roasted topi(antelope)?	Why was Nya's mother so concerned and afraid of?	What Happens to Marial at the end of the chapter?

b)

QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
	<i>They started feeling sick. It had been a long time since their last feast.</i>
	<i>She was glad that she didn't have to walk twice a day to get water.</i>
	<i>He felt relieved by the fact he was not alone anymore, and also hopeful about meeting his family again.</i>
	<i>Salva realizes that his friend has disappeared, so he starts to think of what could have happened.</i>
	<i>When Nuer men went off hunting, they were frequently attacked by Dinkas. Therefore, the risk of losing their loved ones was always present.</i>

