

Narrative Reading

Name: _____ Class: 10\ _____

King Henry had a young son named William. William was noble and brave, and everybody hoped he would someday be the King of England.

One summer, Prince William went with his father across the sea to look after their lands in France. They were welcomed with joy by all their people there. The young prince was so kind, so everyone loved him. After the king and his son spent one year in France, the king decided to go back to England with his wise men and brave knights. But Prince William and his younger friends stayed for three more months in France to enjoy the hunting season and they didn't want to leave in a hurry.

After the hunting season ended, the prince William and his friends decided to leave France and go back to England. They went on board of the ship which was waiting to carry them home. It was a beautiful ship with white sails and white masts.

The sea was smooth, the winds were fair, and no one thought of danger. On the ship, everything had been arranged to make the trip a pleasant one. There was music and dancing, and everybody was pleased and glad. The earlier hours of the night passed by; Suddenly, an alarm cry came from the deck of their ship. The ship had crashed a big rock and started to sink because water was pouring inside it.

Everyone got scared and their hearts were full of fear. The prince with a few of his bravest friends jumped into a small boat to survive. They pushed off their boat away of the sinking ship. The prince William and some of friends were safe and happy, but he suddenly remembered that his sister was still in the sinking ship so he asked his friends to bring their boat alongside of the sinking ship to rescue his sister.

Unfortunately, the ship gave a great sway forward into the waves and hit the small boat. The ship and the boat, the prince and princess, and all the friends that had sailed from France went down to the bottom of the sea together except one man. This man could hold onto a floating board and he was saved the next day by some sailors. When King Henry heard of the death of his son, his heart was broken. He had no more joy in life; and men say that no one ever saw him smile again.

Task One: For each item, write a short answer (not more than FOUR WORDS)

- 1- Why did King Henry and his son travel to France? _____
- 2- What did William's ship crash on their way back to England? _____
- 3- How many people were alive from the accident? _____

Task Two: For each item, shade in the bubbles to indicate whether they are **True** \ **False**.

4- The prince William stayed in France with his father's knights. ☐ T ☐ F

5- King Henry was upset after the death of his son.