Gabriel's Story

Slowly, he started to walk. He felt terribly weak. His right arm hurt very badly, and his head too. Sometimes he nearly fell.

At the time of the earthquake, Gabriel was outside the Plaza. A lot of people wanted to buy their tickets, and they went inside. But he had his ticket. He was safe because he waited outside.

Gabriel heard the first sounds of the earthquake. But he didn't see the buildings when they fell. He didn't hear the screams. Some rubble hit him on the head and he fell to the ground. After a long time, he heard somebody. It was a woman.

Practice Reading these paragraphs out loud, with rhythm and meaning.

CHAPTER 6

Liberty Park

'We pulled him from the rubble, but did he say, "Thank you"? No, he didn't! He was only worried about his car.'

Now, read chapter 6 and answer the questions below in complete sentences where applicable.

1. Did Silvia like walking?
2. How did she usually get around? _____
3. She had a sore _____ .
4. Why did people want to leave the city? _____
5. Who did Silvia talk to? _____
6. How many people were inside the Grand Hotel? _____
7. The supermarket is a _____ .
8. According to a man, which area was worse hit than the centre? _____
9. What happened to the Oasis Restaurant? _____
10. Who was alright? _____
11. Who did the man help to rescue? _____
12. Did he say thank you to the people who helped him? _____
13. What was he worried about? _____
14. Why did Silvia think she was a stupid girl? _____

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15. Who did she love? _____

16. What happened at midnight? _____

17. What time did Silvia arrive at Liberty Park? _____

18. How many people were there? _____

19. Why couldn't she see very well? _____

20. Who did Silvia start looking for? _____

21. Who called out her name? _____

22. Where was Mrs Delgado? _____

23. Why was she happy? _____

24. What did Silvia give her mother? _____

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