

UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT



1 COMPREHENSION CHECK

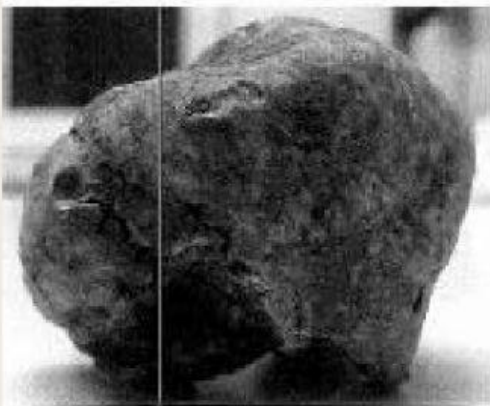
Read these sentences about Chapter Two. Choose the correct answer (A, B or C). There is an example at the beginning (0).

- 0 When one of the men of the village went to the forest, he saw
- A ☒ the unicorn following Rhiannon.
 - B ☐ Rhiannon looking for truffles.
 - C ☐ Rhiannon talking to the unicorn.
- 1 When the man from the village saw the unicorn, he said
- A ☐ 'Let's catch it!'
 - B ☐ 'Let's follow it!'
 - C ☐ 'Let's sell it!'
- 2 The people from the village wanted to find truffles
- A ☐ to sell them and pay Sir Brangwyn's taxes.
 - B ☐ to cook a lot of delicious food.
 - C ☐ to please Sir Brangwyn.
- 3 If the hunters catch the unicorn, Sir Brangwyn offers
- A ☐ more food.
 - B ☐ a lot of truffles.
 - C ☐ a big prize.
- 4 The old knight told Sir Brangwyn to
- A ☐ talk to Rhiannon about the horse.
 - B ☐ send Rhiannon into the forest alone.
 - C ☐ sing to the horse.
- 5 When the unicorn sees Rhiannon,
- A ☐ he falls asleep.
 - B ☐ he sits next to her.
 - C ☐ he sings to her.
- 6 Rhiannon was afraid because
- A ☐ she was alone in the forest.
 - B ☐ she saw Sir Brangwyn's men.
 - C ☐ she was worried about the horse.



2 FILL IN THE GAPS

Read the text about truffles. Choose the best word (A, B or C) for each space (1-11). There is an example at the beginning (0).



A French chef once called truffles 'the diamonds of the kitchen'. This is because it is difficult to find them (0) .A. they are also very expensive.

Truffles grow deep in the ground. They usually grow (1) trees. They often grow in the same place. It is a good idea to remember the place where you found them the (2) time.

Specially trained pigs or dogs look for truffles (3) they have a good sense of smell. Pigs are the best truffle hunters but

farmers prefer to use dogs because they (4) not eat the truffles!

Truffles (5) a very strong smell. People do not usually cook truffles, instead they cut (6) into thin pieces and put them over pasta, salad or meat. You (7) also make a special oil with truffles.

Truffles are as big (8) a large nut or a potato. They are usually black or white. They grow (9) Italy, France, England and other European countries.

(10) ancient Greeks and Romans liked truffles and ate them at banquets. Today the Italian town of Alba (in Piedmont, northwest Italy) is famous for its excellent truffles. Every year there (11) an international open-air truffle market in this town.

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| 0 A and | B why | C for |
| 1 A from | B near | C next |
| 2 A another | B this | C first |
| 3 A because | B but | C even |
| 4 A do | B did | C have |
| 5 A are | B has | C have |
| 6 A it | B them | C they |
| 7 A do | B can | C must |
| 8 A as | B for | C like |
| 9 A at | B in | C on |
| 10 A The | B An | C A |
| 11 A be | B are | C is |

3 VOCABULARY

Match a word to a picture. Which of these things can you find in the forest?

blackberries mushrooms chestnuts tomatoes bread milk



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KEY

4 CONVERSATION

Complete the conversation between Rhiannon and William, the man she sells the truffles to. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Hello, Rhiannon.

A Would you like to buy some?

0 Hello, William.

Where did you find all those truffles?

B That's my secret.

1 I understand, but I love truffles.

C Five pounds each.

2 How much do they cost?

D Hello William.

3 That's a lot of money!

E These ones cost three pounds.

4 Yes, true but they smell wonderful.

F Truffles are expensive.

5 Alright, I'll have a small one.

G How much can you pay?

6 VOCABULARY

Do you know the words for these parts of an animal? You can use a dictionary to help you.

horn teeth claws wings trunk beak whiskers fur paws

