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English Literature

**Assignment:** Answer the following questions. Use your knowledge of the subject and the clues given in the passage to answer the questions. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

**A Day Out**

Carl and Martin followed the path down to the lake. The sun was just beginning to peek over the distant hills to the east.

"Did you remember the bait?" Carl asked.

Martin nodded, holding up an old coffee can. "I dug them up yesterday. These should last the whole day, he grinned.

When the boys reached the cove, they put on their life jackets and walked out onto the pier. Martin climbed into the boat first, then took all the equipment from Carl and carefully placed it inside. After untying the ropes, Carl climbed in also and used one of the oars to push off.

When they reached the center of the lake, Carl threw an anchor overboard. "Today, we'll land a big one," he promised. "Wouldn't that make dad proud.

a. Are Carl and Martin friends or brothers?

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b. What are the boys planning to do? How do you know?

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c. At what time of day did Carl and Martin go out? How do you know?

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d. What kind of boat are they in?

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e. What are the boys using for bait?

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f. Why do you think Carl threw an anchor overboard?

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