

Rain, Rain, Go Away!

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ACTIVITIES

CHAPTER 6 Comprehension check

For each question choose the correct answer - A, B or C.

1 The people who live at The Edge ...

- A** built the home under the lake.
- B** came from the city .
- C** have been there for their whole lives.

2 The people get their water from ...

- A** the lake.
- B** the rain clouds.
- C** the Keepers.

3 The clouds are controlled by ...

- A** the people.
- B** the Keepers.
- C** the weather.

4 It only rains ...

- A** behind the factory.
- B** on the trees.
- C** over the lake.

5 Murray ...

- A** doesn't want to help the people in the city.
- B** wants to help Kailani and the people in the city.
- C** wants to help Kailani but no one else.

6 Kailani thinks ...

- A** she can solve the problem without any help.
- B** she can change Murray's mind.

c she can make the other people help her.

Grammar

And a boy next to her asked her if she wanted something to drink.

In Chapter 6 there are a lot of questions from all the characters. They are in quote marks (') because they're direct questions.

If you want to tell someone else about a conversation that contained questions you use **reported speech**. To report questions you need to turn them from direct questions to **indirect questions**.

There are two kinds of questions:

- **Yes/No questions** (closed questions)
- **Wh- questions** (open questions)

Yes/No questions

Direct: *Do you want some water?*

Indirect: *He / asked / her / if / she wanted some water.*

---+ Subject + reporting verb + object pronoun + *if* + statement

(Note: There is no auxiliary verb.)

Wh- questions

Direct: *Where is your brother?*

Indirect: *He / asked / her / where / her brother was.*

---+ Subject + reporting verb + object pronoun + *wh-* word + statement

(Note: There is no inversion of the verb to *be*.)

Note: The verbs in the direct questions go back one tense in the reported questions, e.g. present simple --+ past simple

Direct and indirect questions

Convert these questions from Chapter 6 into reported questions.

1 Are you hungry?

2 Did I sleep all night?

3 Where did you come from?

4 How do you get your water?

5 Why is it safe?

6 Can you see?

7 Why do they let them go to the city?