

## General understanding

Circle T for true or F for false for each of the following statements.

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| 1. A crocodile hit Val Plumwood's canoe on a river in Australia. | T / F |
| 2. Val easily escaped from the crocodile.                        | T / F |
| 3. Crocodiles kill an animal by biting it into small pieces.     | T / F |
| 4. Val was badly hurt by the crocodile.                          | T / F |

## In detail

Write short answers to the following questions.

1. When Val first saw the crocodile, what did she think it was?

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2. What happens to an animal when a crocodile holds it under the water?

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3. How many times did the crocodile roll Val around in a 'death roll'?

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4. How long after the attack was Val found? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Where was Val taken after she was found? \_\_\_\_\_

## In focus

Put the following sentences in the correct order. Number them from 1 to 6.

- \_\_\_ Val tried to jump into a tree.
- \_\_\_ The crocodile pulled Val underwater in a 'death roll' three times.
- \_\_\_ Val Plumwood was exploring a river in her canoe.
- \_\_\_ Val finally escaped by pulling herself to the top of the river bank.
- \_\_\_ The crocodile grabbed her.
- \_\_\_ A crocodile hit her canoe.

## Discussion

Discuss the following questions with a partner or in a group.

- How would you describe a person like Val Plumwood?
- Would you ever go exploring in a wilderness area by yourself?
- What would be some of the dangers involved?
- Have you or anyone you know ever been attacked by an animal? Please describe.
- What do you think is the key to surviving an attack by a wild animal?