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Word Study

The Sound of ou and ow

The diphthongs **ou** and **ow** often stand for the vowel sound you hear in **loud** and **down**.

A. Read each sentence. Complete the sentence with a word from the word bank.

down
mountain

howling
scout

cloud
allowed

loud
ground

1. There wasn't a _____ in the sky.
2. We were going to climb the _____.
3. Grandpa said he would _____ for a campsite.
4. We were _____ to bring a few things.
5. We would sleep on the _____.
6. That night we heard a very _____ sound.

B. Read the sentences and questions below. Answer each question with a response from the word bank. Write the correct letter on the line.

A. a boat used to haul cargo

B. drenched

C. disorderly and rough

D. looked angry

7. The crew on the boat was rowdy and had to be quieted down. What does rowdy mean? _____
8. The crew was on a scow that was hauling garbage down the river. What is a scow? _____
9. The crew was doused when a sudden rainstorm came up. What does doused mean? _____
10. The captain scowled at the bad behavior of the crew. What did the captain do if he scowled? _____