

7th Grade Unit 3 Exam

Stuck in the Icy Ocean

Ernest Shackleton was an explorer. In 1914, he sailed a ship to the South Pole* with twenty-seven men. But they had an accident and could not continue. Their ship was stuck in ice.

The ice would not melt until spring. Shackleton was worried. He did not know if he and his shipmates were safe and should spend the freezing winter months on the ship. They knew the ice had damaged their ship and that it would sink in the spring.

Shackleton was scared, but he finally decided that he and his men had to leave the ship. They stayed close to the ship and camped on the ice. They watched their ship sink. Shackleton was worried. He knew they were still in danger. Soon, the ice started to melt.

Shackleton and his men took small lifeboats from the ship and sailed to a nearby island. The men could not find shelter or people there. They could not stay. Shackleton and five men sailed in a small lifeboat to another island. They found people there. Shackleton sent a ship to bring back the twenty-two other men. The rescue was successful! After two years at sea, every crewman was saved.

Ernest Shackleton was brave and took a dangerous trip to bring back his crew. He saved their lives. Today, many people think he was a hero.

*pole- קווטב

Answer the questions:

1- What was Ernest Shackleton?

2- What did Ernest Shackleton do in 1914?

3- What happened when Shackleton and his men sailed to the South Pole?

4- What happened to the ship?

5- What did Shackleton finally decide to do?

6- Where did Shackleton and his men sail after the ship sank?

7- What did Shackleton and the other five men find when they sailed to another island?

8- How long did it take to save every crewman?

9- How many crewmen stayed on the first island?

a. 5 b. 22 c. 27

10-Today, many people think Shackleton was a hero because....
