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11th July, 1781

*It was 4 o'clock in the morning. We were **sailing** around Cape Hope on the south **coast** of Africa when the **lookout boy** screamed out: "Ship coming towards us **at full speed**!" I came out of my **cabin** and went to see what was happening. As soon as I was **on deck**, I saw a huge ship coming up to the **left side**. All the people on board were looking at the ship **in surprise** while it was coming **closer**. I ran to the side to get a better look at this strange ship, but the ship was no longer there. It was then that I **realised** what was happening. That was the famous **ghost ship**, The Flying Dutchman. It haunted these waters ever since Captain Van der Decken and his crew died a hundred years ago when the ship sank in a **storm**.*

*I turned to look at the lookout boy but he was not on the **mast**. According to **legend**, whoever looked at the ship closely, **disappeared**.*

1 Read the story again. Put the events in the order they happened. Compare in pairs.

- a ☐ The captain went to see the ship.
- b ☐ The captain realised it was a ghost ship.
- c ☐ They were sailing around Cape Hope.
- d ☐ The ship was coming up to them.
- e ☐ The boy disappeared.
- f ☐ The lookout boy saw a ship.
- g ☐ The ship disappeared.

Read the story and answer the questions

SET 1

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1 What time was it when the story happened?

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2 Who saw the ship first?



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3 Where was the narrator when he heard the scream?

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