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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	howling	cloud	loud
mountain	scout	allowed	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? _____