

Exercises

Reading

A. Choose the correct answer.

1. Axel finally looked over the rock into the chimney because he...
 - a. realised that they would have to enter it
2. Lindenbrock said that they would not be taking the stairs because....
 - c. He had already thought of an alternative way to climb down.
3. Axel ignored his uncle's enthusiastic observation on the nature of the rocks as he was....
 - a. anxious about the never ending journey inside the chimney
4. Axel was finally relieved when....
 - a. His uncle discovered that they had reached the bottom of the chimney.

B. Read these lines from the text and answer the questions.

1. My hair stood on end with terror.

a. Who said these lines?

Ans. Axel said this.

b. Why was he so terrified?

Ans. He was so terrified because the chimney was seem to be bottomless and he found no railing for the steps.

c. What did he do right after this?

Ans. He immediately shared his observation with his uncle.

2. We would soon be returning home

a. Who does this line refer to?

Ans. This line refers to Axel and Lidenbrock.

b. Why was the speaker so hopeful?

Ans. The speaker was hopeful because uncle told that they would not use stairs to climb down the crater.

c. Were his hopes met?

Ans. No, his hopes were not fulfilled.

C. Answer in detail

1. Where had Axel and his uncle journeyed to? Why?

Ans. Axel and his uncle journeyed to a volcano with 3 craters in Iceland. The craters had indirect route to center of Earth where uncle wanted to go.

2. How did the three men react to the downward climb inside the chimney?

Ans. Axel was hopeless and scared to death. Hans was cautious and steadily warning to others. Uncle was enthusiastic and noting the changes in the rocks around them.

3. Why was Axel growing more and more hopeless with time?

Ans. Axel unwillingly entered the crater. They were continuously moving. It grew darker, wall grew closer, still the bottom was invisible. So, he grew more and more hopeless.

4. When did the journey finally end?

Ans. The journey finally ended after four hours. Axel noticed that the walls were coming closer and it was growing dark. Just then uncle declared that they reached at the bottom of the chimney.

Grammar

A. Complete these sentences with the present perfect tense forms of the verbs given in the brackets

1. Prithvi has received this paint box from his uncle. (receive)
2. Mitul has gone for a run with his brother. (go)
3. Have you visited the floating market in Patuli? (visited)
4. Javed has won the music competition. (win)
5. The teachers have planned a program for children's day. (plan)
6. Mother has bought a new television set for the family. (buy)

B. Answer these questions using the present perfect tense.

1. How long have you studied for these exams?

Ans. I have studied for two months for these exams.

2. Has Amit not visited his uncle yet?

Ans. Amit has not visited his uncle yet.

3. Has Shafia found her missing earrings?

Ans. Shafia has found her earrings.

4. Have you hidden my book?

Ans. I have not hidden your book.

5. Have you all submitted your homework?

Ans. We all have submitted our homework.

6. Has your sister made friends at her new school?

Ans. My sister has made friends at her new school.

Vocabulary

1. TOUR
2. OUTING
3. VOYAGE
4. TRIP
5. EXPEDITION
6. EXCURSION

