

Swiss Family Robinson



1. Match the word from the text with their definitions. (You may want to consult a dictionary)

hogshead	noisy place
acquisition	necessary
requisite	barrel of liquid
declivity	downward slope
Babel	possession



2. What has happened in the story immediately before this extract?
(Use evidence from the text to support your answer)

I think a ship has been wrecked in a storm.
I know this because the text says 'barrels,
bales, and chests from the wreck'.



3. What do you think they need all of this equipment for – what will they do with it next?

I think they need all this equipment because they were also affected by the storm and they lost equipment. They will use it to replenish their own missing or damaged supplies and set up home on land.



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4. Explain how the author uses language in the last paragraph to effectively show how happy the characters were to be on onshore.

The author uses 'leaped' to tell us how they stepped off the boat. It is a quick but eager move. The dogs 'welcomed us in a truly friendly manner' suggests the joy of being onshore. Also, the fowls were 'liberated'. They are once again free to move around.



5. What does the narrator regret leaving on board the ship.

He regrets leaving the large telescope.



6. Create a summary in the form of a tweet to summarise what has happened in this extract. (up to 149 characters only)

Answers will vary depending on understanding

