

English

Tuesday 31st March 2020

Task 1: Vocabulary

Use the sentences given to figure out the meanings of the following words.

The derelict buildings made unsafe by the water swelling up into the ground beneath them like into a sponge.

1. What does derelict mean?
2. What does swelling mean?

*"Come with me!" said Zoe. "I'll go west, where there's higher ground."
"West. That's right. Your salvation lies to the west of Udan-Adan..."*

3. What does salvation mean?

Suddenly, shouts and the sounds of scuffling came from the porch of the cathedral.

4. What does scuffling mean?

Dooby turned on the spy, who lay quivering on the flagstones.

5. What does quivering mean?

Task 2: Chapter 7 Questions

1. What made Zoe suspect that she was being watched?
2. Why was Zoe miserable when she crept back into her bunk?
3. What do you think she would be thinking when she thought about her parents and her old life on Norwich and why?

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They took him away. Spat and Dooby followed.

It was late. Zoe went to the bunk she was using as a bunk, but she couldn't sleep. Screams and chokes from Dooby's room floated out into the cathedral. Horrified, Zoe decided to try to have another look for her boat. But at the gate she was stopped.

"You know the rules," said the gatekeeper, "No one allowed out after curfew."

She hadn't heard the horn somehow. She must have been too deep in her conversation with William.

Zoe crept miserably back to her bunk, and tried not to listen to the noises of the Cat. He had looked so pitiful. She stared at the ceiling high above her, feeling guilty for doing nothing, and terrified at what would happen to her if Dooby didn't have plans for her and her boat. Her mind began to drift to her parents, and to her old life on Norwich. At least it was something she could focus on, to try and block out the sickening noises. Suddenly, as she gazed up at the ceiling, she saw something move. The ceiling was made of painted panels. Lots of people in various scenes. Zoe guessed they told bits of a story, but she didn't know what it was. But she was sure that part of one of the pictures had just moved. Then she saw it again. It was a light, somewhere above the ceiling. A light moving round and shining through a tiny hole in one of the panels.

Her mind made a connection to something that had happened earlier that day. Somehow she knew what, or rather who it was.