

## Task 1: Vocabulary

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

1. What does derelict mean?

Derelict means in a very poor condition because it hasn't been used.

2. What does swelling mean?

Swelling in this sentence means the area of water is getting larger and larger.

*"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?

Salvation means being away from harm or ruin or loss. It also means safety.

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

4. What does scuffling mean?

Scuffling means to move in a hurried, confused or awkward way making a rustling or shuffling sound.

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

5. What does quivering mean?

Quivering means trembling or shaking.

## Task 2: Chapter 7 Questions

1. What made Zoe suspect that she was being watched?

Initially, Zoe thought she had seen something move. She couldn't really tell because there were lots of pictures on the ceiling but then she noticed a light moving around and shining at her through a hole in a ceiling panel.

2. Why was Zoe miserable when she crept back into her bunk?

Zoe was miserable for a couple of reasons. Firstly, she had been stopped by the gatekeeper from going out to have another look for her boat.

Secondly, she could hear that Dooby was doing some horrible things to the Cat spy and she had felt bad for not doing anything to help.