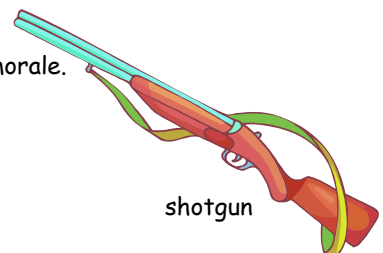
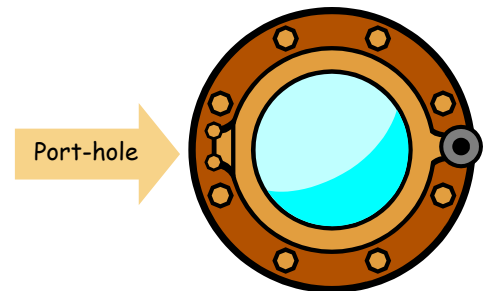


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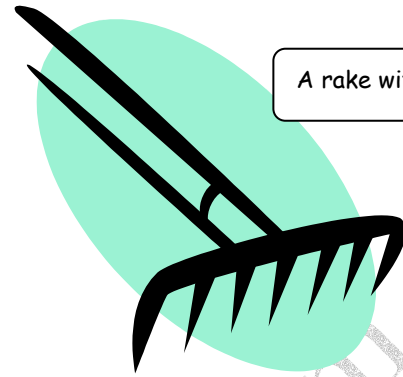
("The Voyage Out"- "Mdisho of the Mwanumwezi", p. 1-77)

QUIZ. Choose the right answer. More than one option may be correct.

1. A sundowner is _____
 - a. an evening drink
 - b. a boat
 - c. a reconnaissance plane
 - d. a chota peg
2. "Mensahib" means _____
 - a. Snake
 - b. Master
 - c. Woman
 - d. Wife
3. Choose synonyms for "crazy"
 - a. Scarecrow
 - b. Dotty
 - c. Barmy
 - d. Bounder
 - e. Have a maggot in the brain
4. Choose the words that have a similar meaning to the adjective "fat".
 - a. Wink
 - b. Stocky
 - c. Pot-bellied
 - d. Trim
 - e. Scrawny
 - f. Vapid
5. Which words refer to some kind of walking?
 - a. To crawl
 - b. To gallop
 - c. To wave
 - d. To go prancing by
 - e. To hop
 - f. To gape
 - g. To go scampering about
6. Which words refer to some kind of bed?
 - a. Daft
 - b. Stool
 - c. Berth
 - d. Bunk
 - e. Deck
 - f. Port-hole
 - g. Canter
 - h. chuckers
7. A "boy" can be your son but, if you live in East Africa, he can also be your _____
 - a. Child
 - b. Servant
 - c. Friend
 - d. Cook
8. Mussolini sent _____ to his soldiers in Abyssinia to boost their morale.
 - a. Shotguns
 - b. Food
 - c. Wine
 - d. Girls



9. A piece of machinery that converts the leaves of the sisal plant into fibres for making rope:
 - a. Prong
 - b. Rod
 - c. Decorticator
10. British district officers in Tanganyika _____
 - a. Weren't university graduates
 - b. Acted as judges
 - c. Were advisers to tribal chiefs
 - d. Gave medicines
 - e. Kept law and order
 - f. Worked for Shell
11. Cubs are _____
 - a. Baby lions
 - b. Ice cubes
 - c. Baby cows
12. Which of the following are "snakes"?
 - a. Black / green mamba
 - b. Partridge
 - c. Moth
 - d. Cobra
 - e. Adder
 - f. Lizard
13. A front room is the same as
 - a. A veranda
 - b. A living-room
 - c. An eaves
 - d. A dining-room
14. In 1939, a soldier in the King's African Rifles, the KAR, was called ____
 - a. A Mwanumwezi
 - b. A soldier
 - c. A Germani
 - d. A warrior
 - e. An askari
15. At the beginning of World War II, Dahl was in charge of _____
 - a. A platoon of askaris
 - b. Rifles
 - c. A machine gun
 - d. A large army
16. As soon as the war was declared, all male Germans were to be ____
 - a. Killed
 - b. Rounded up and put into the prison camp
 - c. Sent out of the country
 - d. Respected
17. How did Dahl know that the war had started?
 - a. Telephone call
 - b. Radio
 - c. Telegram
 - d. His sergeant told him
18. At the beginning of the war, Dahl
 - a. Killed a bald German man
 - b. Killed many Germans
 - c. Didn't kill anybody
 - d. Was shot



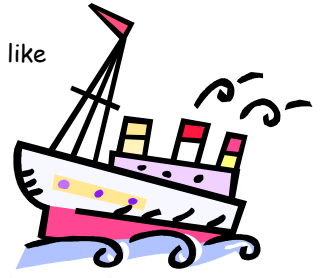
A rake with prongs



A veranda

General comprehension:

1. Tell the story of Major Griffiths. What did he and his wife look like? What did he like doing early in the morning? Did he like Polo?
2. Miss Trefusis: Where did she live? What was peculiar about her? Which famous person had she met?
3. U. N. Savory: Was it a ship? What was peculiar about U. N. Savory?
4. What did Dar es Salaam look like?
5. List animals R. Dahl could see in Tanganyika.
6. At District Officer Sanford's house, the cook's wife was attacked by a lion? What happened?
7. In Tanganyika, in 1939, Dahl guarded the coast road going South towards Portuguese East Africa. Why? What happened to him and his men on that road?
8. In 1939 Dahl possessed a sword /sɔ:d/ protected by a scabbard. Tell the whole story of this sword.



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