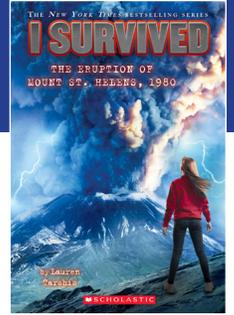


I SURVIVED

BOOK CLUB

Name: _____

I Survived The Eruption of Mount Saint Helens, 1980



LITERARY-ELEMENTS ACTIVITY, PROBLEM-AND-SOLUTION EXERCISE, CONTEXT REVIEW

CHARACTER: Choose three words to describe the characters below. Then summarize a moment that you think shows who the character is and explain why you chose it.

JESS

List three words to describe Jess:

Which moment in the book shows who Jess is? Summarize the moment, and explain why you chose it:

MR. MORALES

List three words to describe Mr. Morales:

Which moment in the book shows who Mr. Morales is? Summarize the moment, and explain why you chose it:

LITERARY-ELEMENTS ACTIVITY, PROBLEM- AND-SOLUTION EXERCISE, CONTEXT REVIEW

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PROBLEM AND SOLUTION: Fill in the blanks below with either the problem or the solution, as needed.

PROBLEM AND SOLUTION CHART

PROBLEM	SOLUTION
1. Missy wants proof that Jess and the twins have gone to the shack to search for Skeleton Woman.	
2. Clive works for a lumber company but hates to see big, beautiful, old trees fall to the ground.	
3. Jess left her father's camera in the shack on the mountain.	
4.	Jess pulls the twins toward a huge pit, and they all jump in.
5.	Jess pulls her T-shirt up over her face like a mask.
6.	Jess grabs a branch and sweeps the ash into a dust cloud to create a smoke signal.

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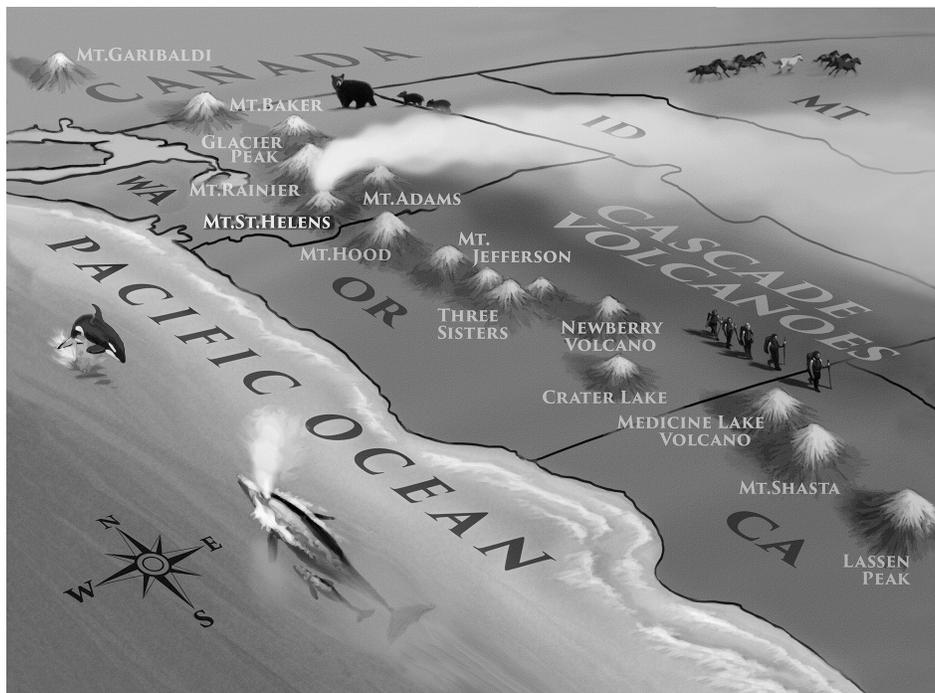
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CONTEXT REVIEW: Because the *I Survived* books are historical fiction, the author includes important facts at the end of the book about the events in the story. Use this information—called context—to answer the questions below.

1. The force of the Mount St. Helens eruption was equal to what?

2. Why weren't people prepared for the eruption?

3. What do scientists use to study volcanoes today?



ANSWERS

LITERARY-ELEMENTS ACTIVITY:

CHARACTER:

Answers will vary.

PROBLEM-AND-SOLUTION EXERCISE:

1. Jess brings her camera to the shack to take a picture.
2. Clive quits working for the lumber company and opens Clive's Diner.
3. Jess and the twins go back to the cabin to get the camera.
4. Mount St. Helens erupts, and the pyroclastic surge is blasting through the air.
5. Ash is falling from the sky and clogging Jess's mouth and nose, suffocating her.
6. There's a helicopter above but the pilot doesn't see Jess.

CONTEXT REVIEW:

1. A one-megaton nuclear bomb, equal to ten-million tons of dynamite.
2. The mountain had quieted down in the weeks before, and most scientists thought there would be a dramatic warning before it exploded.
3. Computer programs that can analyze huge amounts of data in seconds, and lasers that can detect whether melted rock known as magma is rising through the volcano.