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Comprehension

PERCY RAY'S TRICK BOAT

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“FATHER, I’m going to build a boat.” “Build a boat! Alexander Ray, in his heart believed that his son could do anything, just as he believed that he himself could do anything. Percy looked like his father. He had the same bright blue eyes, the same aquiline nose, and the same determined mouth. “What kind of a boat?” “No flat-bottomed punt, I tell you! I want one that will sail. I’ll build her with a keel and a rudder.” “You want a carefully drawn sketch of it. I’ll help you.” Mr. Ray got some large sheets of brown paper, and he and Percy were soon deeply engrossed in making measurements to scale. Percy borrowed a team of a neighbor and went to the mill to make his purchase. The old harness-room in the barn had been converted into a carpenter’s shop; it contained a solid bench, and a fairly complete assortment of tools. The main body of the barn afforded ample room for the boat-building. Out of sight lay the wide river into which the boat would be launched. It was wonderful to see the boat grow. The keel was laid with great care, and the ribs, skillfully shaped, took their proper places. When the work began, the ice was still in the river. At last, the boat was ready to be launched. Percy arranged two pairs of wheels taken from a hay-cart, and, with the assistance of willing hands, got the boat safely and steadily established between solid crutches. Strong ropes were attached to the forward axle. Ropes were also fastened to the rear axle, so as to hold back when going down the incline. A team of shouting boys was waiting the word of command to march forward with the boat. The name, Speranza, was also delicately lettered on the stern. An excited crowd was on hand to witness the launching. It soon reached the old ferry road. It was all admirably managed. Percy’s heart swelled with pride. He realized that he occupied a commanding position among his fellows. Everyone in town had been praising his enterprise and ingenuity. This was his day of triumph.

A. Answer the Questions.

1. How did Percy Ray look like?

2. What kind of boat he wants to build?

3. How had the old harness-room been converted into a carpenter's shop?

4. What was wonderful to

see? _____

5. Why did Percy's heart swell with pride?

B. Choose the correct verb and fill in the blanks.

1. The taste of these mangoes _____ different. (is/are)

2. I _____ milk everyday. (drink/drinks)

3. My mother _____ food. (cook/cooks)

4. Gulliver's Travels _____ a famous book. (is/are)

5. The teacher _____ the students. (teach/teaches)

6. Farmers _____ seeds in the field. (sow/sows)

7. My sister _____ a cake on my birthday. (bake/bakes)
8. The sun _____ in the east. (rise/rises)
9. Billie Eilish _____ beautifully. (sing/sings)
10. Slow and steady _____ the race. (win/wins)
11. Everybody _____ at the clown. (laugh/laughs)
12. The moon _____ round the earth every 27 days. (go/goes)
13. The old man _____ the road slowly. (cross/crosses)
14. My neighbour's dog _____ loudly. (bark/barks)
15. I _____ basketball everyday. (play/plays)
16. The taste of these mangoes _____ different. (is/are)
17. I _____ milk everyday. (drink/drinks)
18. My mother _____ food. (cook/cooks)
19. Gulliver's Travels _____ a famous book. (is/are)
20. The teacher _____ the students. (teach/teaches)

C. Fill in the blanks with the Past Tense of the verbs given in the brackets.

1. The guests _____ early. (leave)
2. The teacher _____ the students. (teach)
3. The little girl _____ the ball. (catch)
4. The baby has _____ his toys. (scatter)
5. The foolish man _____ all his wealth foolishly. (spend)
6. He _____ my coat in the exhibition. (lose)
7. The father _____ to the child firmly. (speak)

8. The soldiers _____ bravely. (fight)

9. He _____ the letter to me. (read)

10. The doctor _____ the patient carefully. (examine)

11. The birds _____ high in the sky. (fly)

12. He _____ a dull coloured suit. (wear)

13. Satis _____ the door. (open)

14. All of a sudden, the sky _____ dark. (grow)

15. The poor boy _____ bitterly. (cry)

D. Write an essay on any one of the topic "A Good Friday" within 250 words.