

Reading 4

I Met You in a Story

Exploits

(Lessons 1–22)

Vocabulary—Context Sentences

Watching Wallace

Lesson 1

1. Because Anna had kept thinking about the circus, she had not concentrated on her work.
2. If a dog's mother is a different breed from its father, the dog is a mongrel.
3. The great expanse of land was enough to build two houses on.
4. Animals that have the disease of rabies are very dangerous.

Watching Wallace

Lesson 2

1. The items needed to bake the cake were in the pantry.
2. The trees along the dark and lonely path loomed over him.

Over the Top
Lesson 3

1. The driver must engage the clutch to make the truck start.
2. In science class, we studied centrifugal force in which objects seem to move away from the center of their circular path.
3. The reckless driver skidded around the corner and collided with a tree.

River's Rising

Lesson 5

1. Since it was raining outside, he put his slicker on to keep his clothes dry.
2. Ray tied up the boat and stepped onto the landing.

River's Rising

Lesson 6

1. The mooring lines kept the boat from floating downstream.
2. The current was so strong it swept their little raft down the river.
3. The four lanes of traffic moved to one lane, creating a bottleneck.
4. The debris of the bombed city lay everywhere.
5. While swimming underwater, my body was completely submerged.

River's Rising

Lesson 7

1. They swam out to the sandbar and rested upon it before they swam back.
2. Using the tiller, he steered the boat away from the rocks.
3. Although the rudder is very small, it turns the largest ships.
4. They were able to salvage most of their things after the tornado.

Skill Lesson: Map Reading

Lesson 8

1. The bucket and the spoon are symbols for the drinking fountain and the picnic areas on the park map.

A Wise King and a Wise Son
Lesson 10

1. Because of our lack of practice, our victory astounded the coach.
2. The king sat on his throne holding his royal scepter.
3. Lost in the wilderness, the puppy had to fend for himself.
4. After studying all night long, Trent's eyes looked red and bleary.

A Wise King and a Wise Son
Lesson 11

1. The carpenter's son had wielded a hammer since he was ten years old.
2. After cutting the stalks of wheat, he gathered and tied them into shocks to dry.

An Emergency
Lesson 13

1. Dr. Lewis received money in the form of a grant to continue research of a fatal disease.
2. She went to the barn to groom her horse before the state competition.
3. Baby llamas are called crias.
4. A yearling animal is one year old.
5. Jake slipped the halter over the horse's head so it could be led to the pasture.
6. He lifted his chin indignantly after being falsely accused of cheating.

An Emergency
Lesson 14

1. We drove on the causeway over China Lake.
2. The veterinarian placed straps around the dogs' muzzles so they could not bite.
3. Karen bought a bag of black licorice at the candy store.
4. The pungent odor of the onion made him wrinkle his nose.

1. The dog is named Spot for the irregular splotches of color on his coat.
2. The hungry cows were led to the field of grass to graze.
3. Several goats began to browse on the leaves of the young plants.
4. The domesticated llamas seem content to live with and be used by people.

Yukon Trail
Lesson 17

1. The lowering sky was a warning of the approaching thunderstorm.
2. The dogsled trail over the snow turned out to be the longest mush ever!
3. As Steve traveled over the tundra, he noticed that there were no trees and that the ground was permanently frozen.
4. The light brown, tawny-colored dog appeared to be the meanest.
5. He decided not to venture onto the thin ice for fear of falling into the lake.

Yukon Trail
Lesson 18

1. Standing at the edge of the bluffs, he could look down on the tops of the trees.
2. The husky's massive head went well with his giant body.
3. Without thinking, he instinctively pulled the little girl out of the freezing lake.
4. An early settler of northwest Canada is called a sourdough.
5. His contempt toward his brother was evident in his disrespectful attitude.

Pecos Bill Gets a Wife
Lesson 19

1. She told her friends he was the brawniest man in town because he was so strong and muscular.
2. The engagement was a whirlwind, lasting only five days!
3. He flattered the girl during their courtship so that she would marry him.
4. Women used to use a bustle, or frame, to shape the back of a dress.
5. The horse was tied to the fence with a lariat.

Literature Lesson: Tall Tales

Lesson 20

1. His attempt to save the girl was a great feat of bravery.
2. Two basic parts or elements of a story are the setting and the plot.
3. The meeting of Pecos Bill and Slewfoot Sue was an unexpected encounter.
4. The tall tale was very funny because it had a big dose of humor.
5. Cowboys exaggerated stories by spinning humorous tales about their heroes.

Project Submarine

Lesson 21

1. Everyone in the room could hear the man's boisterous laugh.
2. A security alarm sounded when the thief broke into the bank.
3. Ashley's top priority after school each day was to do her homework.
4. In solving the mystery, Steven used clues to find the information leak.
5. He could not understand the unintelligible voices.