



Multiple Choice Questions

- Which is the world's one of the roughest seas as gathered from the prose We Are Not Afraid To Die?**
 - The Pacific Ocean
 - The Indian Ocean
 - The Atlantic Ocean
 - The Arabian Sea
- What was the name of their boat on which Gordon and his family took to sail?**
 - Oceanfarer
 - Seawalker
 - Waverower
 - Wavewalker
- What did the author see when his head popped out of the water?**
 - The ship was near capsizing, her masts almost horizontal
 - The ship was nowhere to be seen
 - It was still standing
 - The ship was sinking
- What happened after the hand pumps started to block up with the debris floating around the cabins?**
 - By taking out water with the help of bucket.
 - By repairing hand pump.
 - The author connected an electric-pump to an out-pipe.
 - The author found another hand pump.
- How many operations did it take to relieve Sue from the pain of her bumped head?**
 - Four major operations
 - Six minor operations
 - Seven minor operations
 - Five operations
- What happened to the author's body when he managed to reach the deck?**
 - His head smashed again.
 - He broke his left hand.
 - He broke his leg.
 - His left ribs cracked and his teeth were Broken.
- By what time did Gordon hope to have a view of the island Ile Amsterdam on January 6?**
 - By the night
 - By 4 in the evening
 - By 6 in the evening
 - By 5 in the evening

8. **How old were Suzanne and Jonathan respectively, when they went on the sail with their parents?**
- (a) Six and seven (b) Six and eight
(c) Seven and eight (d) Seven and six
9. **Which prose has been authored by Alan East and Gordon Cook?**
- (a) We're Not Afraid To Die (b) The Browning Version
(c) Silk Road (d) The Portrait of a Lady
10. **Why did the author accept his approaching death?**
- (a) Because he was injured by the explosion.
(b) Because he was stabbed.
(c) Pirates had attacked the ship.
(d) Because he was thrown in the sea.

Fill in the blanks :

11. Gordon and Mary had spent sixteen years honing their _____ skills before embarking on the journey.
12. Suzanne was seven years old, and her brother Jonathan was _____.

True / False

13. The Indian Ocean is described as one of the calmest seas in the world in the prose.
14. Suzanne underwent six major operations to remove a recurring blood clot from her head.

Very Short Type Questions

15. When do you think Mary and the narrator thought that their end was near and why?
16. How did Sue try to enliven the gloomy atmosphere?

Short Type Questions

17. How did Jonathan succeed in motivating his father in a crucial moment when the Ship was near sinking?
18. Describe the mental condition of the voyagers on 4 and 5 January. Answer in the context of We are Not Afraid to Die.

Essay Type Questions

19. Give a character sketch of Jonathan.
20. What efforts did the narrator make to save the ship and its passengers? Answer in context of We are Not Afraid to die.

21. **Assertion (A)** : The narrator and his family faced gigantic waves at dawn on January 2nd.
Reason (R) : They were about 15 metres high, as high as their main mast.
- (a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
(b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
(c) A is true, but R is false.
(d) A is false, but R is true.

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**Chapter-2 | We Are Not
Afraid To Die?****Worksheet-1****Answer & Solution****JINENDER SONI**
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1. (b)
The Indian Ocean is considered one of the roughest seas in the world which has been mentioned in the prose by the narrator. Gordon and his family had welcomed two crewmen with them - American Larry Vigil and Swiss Herb Seigler to assist them in sailing through the Indian Ocean.
2. (d)
Their boat, that Gordon and his family sailed on was named Wavewalker. It was a professionally built 23 metre and 30-ton wooden-hulled beauty, and they had spent months fitting it out and testing its abilities in the roughest weather they could find.
3. (a)
When the author's head popped out of the water he saw the ship Wavewalker was near capsizing, her masts almost horizontal.
4. (c)
When the hand pumps started to block up with the debris floating around the cabins and the electric pump short-circuited, the author connected another electric pump to an out-pipe.
5. (b)
Suzanne had hurt her head badly during the incident but didn't let her parents stir from solving the issue at hand. However, it subsequently took six minor operations to relieve her from the pain of a recurring blood clot between her skin and the skull.
6. (d)
When the author managed to reach the deck his left ribs cracked, mouth filled with blood, and broken teeth.
7. (d)
Gordon did all his calculations and concluded that they should have a visual of the Ile Amsterdam by around 5 p.m. on January 6 if they sailed a course of 185 degrees. However, they reached the island by nightfall and rested for the night there.
8. (d)
Suzanne was Gordon and Mary's daughter who was seven years old. Her brother Jonathan was younger by a year and was six years old when they both undertook the journey with their parents.
9. (a)
The prose titled We're Not Afraid To Die... If We Can All Be Together has been authored by Gordon Cook and Alan East.

- 10. (a)**
The author accepted his approaching death because a tremendous explosion had smashed his head.
- 11.** seafaring / sailing
- 12.** six
- 13.** False
- 14.** False
- 15.** On the evening of 5th January when they were hit by another massive storm they thought their end was near since they were unable to stop the water into the ship and were convinced that it would sink.
- 16.** Sue forgot her swollen head and blackened eyes and prepared a funny card. On the front it had caricatures of Mary and the narrator. She called them funny people who made her laugh. There was a message also. It expressed her love, thanks and good wishes.
- 17.** The bad weather conditions continue and by the day of 5th Jan, the situation was out of control. Jonathan went to his father and asked him if they were going to die. When his father didn't reply he said he was not afraid to die if they all died together. This comment motivated the narrator to resolve, to fight all odds and make sure that they all were safe.
- 18.** On January 4 and 5, the voyagers felt relieved as after the continuous pumping for 36 hours the water had nearly been drained out. They had their first meal in almost two days. However, their respite was short-lived. They faced dangerous situation on January 5 as the sea got worse during the night. Fear of death loomed large. They were under a great mental stress.
- 19.** Jonathan was Gordon Cook's 6-year-old son who had accompanied him on the round-the-world journey. After the Wavewalker was terribly broken by the colossal wave, he also behaved very courageously. He gave new strength to his father when he said he was not afraid to die if he could be together with the family. These words filled the author with new determination and courage. He resolved to fight till the end to save his family from being drowned in the stormy sea.
- 20.** At first, he slowed down the ship. He dropped the storm jib and lashed heavy mooring rope in a loop across the stern. They double fastened everything. They attached lifelines, put on waterproof clothes and life jackets. After being hit by the first mighty wave, the narrator handed over the wheel to Mary. He stretched canvas and fastened waterproof hatch covers across the gaping holes in the starboard side. As the two hand pumps got blocked and electric pump short-circuited, he found another electric pump and started it.

Then he checked his charts and started searching for an island-like Amsterdam. He got a reading on the sextant. He worked on wind speeds, changes, of course, drift and current. He calculated their position. He checked and rechecked his calculations. They had lost the main compass. He made an allowance discount for magnetic variation in the spare one and also of the influence of the westerly currents. Then he asked Larry to steer a course of 185 degrees. They succeeded in reaching Iie Amsterdam island after 4 hours.

21. (a)

The text states, "At dawn on January 2, the waves were gigantic" and further clarifies, "they went up to about 15 metres high which were as high as their main mast." This directly supports both the assertion and provides the specific characteristic that made the waves "gigantic," thus R correctly explains A.

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