



# CAMPING

**M**y love of camping started at a very young age, when my sister and I used to make 'dens' in the house. All you needed were two chairs with a sheet thrown over the top, and there you'd have it - a cocoon to stuff with pillows and books (and pretty much all the things you'd normally play with). It sounds rather dull now, but at the time it was the best fun!

**O**h and of course there was the all-important midnight feast, which normally consisted of crisps and chocolate. This seemed such a treat for a young person like me, who was so used to daily routines. I would wake up, go to school, eat meals, do homework and go to bed at the same time every day. Although there were the weekends and other events

interspersed throughout the year, the one thing that was most consistent was bedtime. Making a house-den with a midnight feast simply threw the rule book out of the window, creating a (possibly disproportionate) sense of freedom!

**A**s I grew older, the den became more elaborate and we added tunnels and all sorts of decorations until it graduated to a tent in our small back garden. As an adult I still love camping and the idea of it still gets me so excited! Strangely, this might have something to do with fear. You see, fear and excitement, although two different emotions, cause your body to react in a very similar way. Your heart pumps faster, you become more alert and your senses are heightened. So, perhaps camping

Questions 12-25 are about "Camping"

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12. List **three** things the author says they did every day in their childhood.



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13. Why does the author describe her midnight feast as seeming like '*such a treat*'?



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14. The word '*graduated*' in the third paragraph is closest in meaning to which word?



- Passed
- Progressed
- Ordered

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15. What does the author suggest can be caused by both fear and excitement?



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8. Underline the **nouns** in the sentence below:



*On Wednesday my brother, Damien, ran the marathon from Sevenoaks to London in an hour.*

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9. Underline the **noun phrase** in the sentence below:



*Almost all marsupials are nocturnal, which means they are awake at night.*

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10. Complete the sentence below with an **adjective** formed from the word '**luxury**'.



*The cabins on the cruise ship were really \_\_\_\_\_.*

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11. Underline **all** the **prepositions** in the sentence below:



*I haven't seen my friend since she returned from America on Monday.*

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12. Which **punctuation mark** should be used where the arrow is placed?

*Lucinda went to Aunt Sara's house she stayed until tea-time.*



- Full stop
- Comma
- Question mark

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22. Draw a line to connect each word to its **antonym**.



Transparent

Flow

Capture

Permanent

Ebb

Opaque

Temporary

Release

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23. Tick the sentence that is written in the **passive voice**.



- Denise wrote a letter to Isobel.
- The agreement was signed by both parties.
- Who left this book on the table?
- We must both sign the letter.

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24. Label the boxes with **O** (object), **S** (subject) and **V** (verb) to show the correct parts of the sentence below:

*Simon likes cricket.*







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