

Memo

Reading comprehension: Kensuke's Kingdom page 82-83

Mark your work, do not tick the work if it is correct,
leave it, it is right.

If your answer was incorrect make a small, neat cross
in green and after, where you have ruled off, write
today's date and the heading 'Corrections' in green.
Write out the correction numbered correctly.

Date

Corrections

Before you read

1. A date usually indicates some kind of diary.
2. A ship's log is a record of what happens on a ship or boat from day to day. It is a record of any events, as well as factors such as wind speed, weather, sea conditions, etc. Michael is writing more of a diary of what happens rather an official log.
3. You expect to find out what happened on the boat on July 28.

After you Read

1. It is told from Michael's point of view. He is at the wheel (steering the boat).

2. Storms have blown the boat north. They are off course.

The rudder cable has snapped. It is difficult to steer the boat.

Someone has to be at the wheel all the time.

Dad or Michael must steer all the time.

She hasn't been able to look at the charts for three days, so they do not know where they are.

Dad is tired.

3. Dad fixes the equipment on the boat.

Mum does the navigation (decides on the course of the boat).

Dictionary work

Rudder - an item at the back of the boat move to the left or right.

Chart Map Navigation - deciding on the direction in which a ship should go.

4. Dad wants to send a Mayday signal (an emergency call for help) but Mum won't let him because she says this is giving in. This tells us that Dad is being more sensible/careful than Mum. Mum thinks that they must persevere. It seems that Mum's will is stronger than Dad's because they have not sent a Mayday signal.

5. First paragraph - dark, no moon, no stars.

Last paragraph - dark, black.

These words make the atmosphere depressing and also tell us how Michael is feeling, worried, depressed, hopeless, and perhaps afraid.

6. Learners' own answers. Paragraphs must be well-structured, grammatically correct and pertinent to the topic.