

Reading Comprehension: The Stone Trolls

1. Why do you think these trolls hide in their caves during daylight? Circle the answer that is the best fit.

Trolls like the dark.

Trolls would be turned to stone.

Trolls would go blind.

Trolls would go swimming.

2. Underline the words that suggest Landra did not really want to go and rescue the ship at first?

Suddenly, Skess jumped up, pointed at the horizon and roared. "Landra, look, a three-masted ship. I think it's in trouble!" Landra followed his gaze and stared at the magnificent ship, pitching and rolling on the bubbling sea. "Let's wade out and pull it into shore," Skess said, setting off down the beach. Landra frowned as it was already very late and the sun rose earlier and earlier in late spring, but then he jumped down from the cliff and followed close behind.

3. Below, the sea *bubbled* and *foamed*.

What do the words *bubbled* and *foamed* suggest about the sea? Circle the answer that is the best fit.

The sea was like a fizzy drink.

The sea was boiling.

The sea was very stormy.

The sea was calm and relaxing.

Reading challenge task:

4. Underline the words in this paragraph that tell you that there might be danger ahead?

One stormy night, two mischievous trolls called Skess and Landra perched together on the craggy cliff, watching. Below, the sea bubbled and foamed. Above, the full moon glared down, casting a long shadow across the ebony beach. In the distance, they could hear the low rumble of the other trolls, feasting on their hoard of freshly caught fish.