Thursday 23rd April 2020

WALT: answer VIPERS questions

Extract 1

1. **Find** and **copy** a word that means the same as 'unwind'.

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1. Find and copy the phrase which shows that the witness appreciates something more serious is happening.

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1. How does the witness suggest that there was an atmosphere of calm?

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1. Why do you think the men ‘waited in absolute silence’ when told to stand away from the lifeboats? Use evidence to support your answer.

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Extract 2

1. Look at the first couple of sentences. How might the witness have felt during this time? Support your answer with evidence. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(2)
2. Which phrase tells us that Colonel Archibald was determined not to drown in the ocean?

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1. Explain what the author means by ‘people being boiled to death’.

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Comparison of both extracts

1. How is the atmosphere different across the two passages? Explain your answer, using evidence from both texts. (HINT – is there anything the same or different? Which is the most dramatic and why? Which is the most truthful and why?)

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