

EXAM FOCUS Multiple choice

5 Read text A again. For questions 1–5, choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D.

- When Mr Trentlake disappeared,
 - Sam wasn't paying attention to the lesson.
 - Quinn was daydreaming about the beach.
 - Mary was sure she saw him leaving the room.
 - he was writing on the blackboard.
- In line 16 the *concept* refers to
 - the fact that Edilio disagrees with Mary.
 - the way the teacher has disappeared.
 - the humour in the situation.
 - the students' lack of understanding.
- How does Sam feel about Astrid?
 - He envies her.
 - He is embarrassed by her.
 - He admires her.
 - He thinks she's bossy.
- So far, the following people have disappeared:
 - two teachers and a student
 - two teachers and three students
 - one teacher and one student
 - two teachers
- In lines 37–43, the author implies that
 - Astrid knows why people are disappearing.
 - Sam is scared by the situation.
 - the situation has become really serious.
 - somebody played a joke.

6 Read text B and answer the questions.

- In what ways are the themes of texts A and B similar?
- What are the main differences between the texts?
- Which text do you find more engaging? Why?

7 Read texts A and B again. Are the statements true (T) or false (F)?

Text A

- Sam was on the beach, shouting and getting ready to dive into the sea. ☐
- Mary was looking very intently at the spot where Mr Trentlake had been standing. ☐
- The kids were trying to see what had happened and laughing nervously. ☐
- The gesture of raising their shoulders showed that the class knew where Mr Trentlake was. ☐
- On this occasion, Astrid's fixed look showed that she was afraid. ☐

Text B

- Only small boats such as yachts disappear in the Bermuda Triangle. ☐
 - No remains of USS Cyclops were ever found and there was no sign of what had happened. ☐
 - Nobody believes that people are kidnapped by aliens in the Bermuda Triangle. ☐
- 8 Find words in blue in the texts that have similar meanings to the underlined words in Exercise 7.
 1 shouting = yelling, dive = plunge
- 9 In pairs, discuss possible explanations for the mysteries in texts A and B. Compare your ideas with other students in the class.

WORD STORE 2F

10 CD-1.36 MP3-36 Complete WORD STORE 2F with nouns and the base form of verbs from the texts. Mark the stress. Then listen, check and repeat.

B

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YACHT FOUND ADRIFT IN BERMUDA TRIANGLE

A Royal Navy ship has found an abandoned yacht in the Western Atlantic. Crew from the Navy ship found clothes and personal belongings, including an open book on a bunk. We have learnt that the boat belonged to a German couple hoping to sail around the world.

This incident is another in a catalogue of unexplained events in the area of the Atlantic known as the Bermuda Triangle, where planes, people and all types of vessels seem to go missing in

mysterious circumstances. In 1918 the American Naval vessel USS Cyclops disappeared without a trace. No wreckage was found, nor any of the 300 crew. Then there is the case of Flight 19. In December 1945, five US Navy bombers took off from Florida. They made several routine calls to base, but shortly afterwards the planes and fourteen men disappeared and were never seen or heard from again.

There are many theories surrounding the mysteries of the

Bermuda Triangle, ranging from strange weather conditions to paranormal events. But whether the ships and planes were destroyed by storms or **abducted** by aliens, it is a fact that numerous ships, planes and people have disappeared without explanation.

