

# Weekly Pack

Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024

English

Year 4

2023/2024

<b>Name</b>	
<b>Class</b>	

**Read the following comprehension and answer the questions**

### **The Camping Trip**

The Wilson family planned a weekend camping trip to celebrate their daughter Maya's birthday. They packed their camping gear into their car, which looked a bit ridiculous overflowing with backpacks, tents, and fishing rods. Despite the cramped space, 10-year-old Maya was in a vigorous mood, bouncing with excitement. Her younger brother, Ethan, however, seemed a bit envious of his sister's enthusiasm, dragging his feet and muttering about the mosquitoes.

Reaching the campsite, they were greeted by a park ranger who warned them about a hazardous area near the creek due to recent bear activity. Undeterred, they set about pitching their spacious tent, the laughter echoing through the trees. Their dog, Luna, a mischievous Beagle, kept everyone entertained with her spontaneous bursts of energy, chasing butterflies and digging holes.

Dinner that night was a hilarious affair. Dad, the designated chef, managed to burn the marshmallows, causing a chorus of groans and giggles. The smoky incident became an outrageous story they would tell for years to come.

As night fell, a sense of wonder settled over the family. Gazing at the countless stars, they felt a contagious awe for the universe's vastness. It was a momentous occasion, a time that would forever be etched in their memories.

The next day brought more adventures, from a successful fishing trip (thanks to Maya's patience) to a hike that offered breathtaking views. Leaving the campsite, they all felt a pang of sadness, but also a renewed sense of closeness as a family. The weekend had been a success, a reminder of the simple joys in life.

**Comprehension Questions:**

1. Why did the Wilson family go camping?

The Wilson family went camping to celebrate Maya's birthday.

2. What made Ethan apprehensive about the trip?

Ethan seemed envious of Maya's excitement and apprehensive about the mosquitoes.

3. What safety hazard did the park ranger warn them about?

The park ranger warned them about a hazardous area near the creek due to recent bear activity.

4. Describe a funny moment from the camping trip.

A funny moment was when Dad burned the marshmallows, causing a chorus of groans and giggles.

5. How did the experience make the family feel?

The experience made the family feel a sense of wonder, awe, and renewed closeness.

**Vocabulary Questions:**

1. Can you think of another word that means silly or absurd?

Ridiculous (sentence 1) - Synonym: Silly, absurd

2. What is the opposite of vigorous?

Vigorous (sentence 3) - Opposite: Lethargic, weak, lazy

3. If you feel happy about someone else's good fortune, what is the opposite emotion?

Envy – feeling envious

4. Can you give an example of a hazardous situation from the passage?

Hazardous (sentence 4) - Example: Walking on a bridge covered in black ice.

5. **What** is the opposite of spacious?

Spacious (sentence 8) - Opposite: Cramped, confined

## Aspire International School

6. Can you describe a spontaneous act?

**Spontaneous (sentence 9) - Describing a spontaneous act: Deciding to go for a swim on a hot day without planning it beforehand.**

7. What else might you call something that makes you laugh a lot?

**Hilarious (sentence 5) - Synonym: Hilarious, hysterical, side-splitting**

8. Can you think of a synonym for outrageous, meaning something shocking or extreme?

**Outrageous (sentence 10) - Synonym: Outrageous, shocking, extreme**

9. Contagious is often used to describe illnesses. Can you think of another way something can be contagious, besides spreading germs?

**Contagious (sentence 12) - Contagious (besides germs): A contagious laugh spreading through a group of people.**

10. Momentous events are very important. Can you give an example of a momentous occasion?

**Momentous (sentence 14) - Example: A momentous occasion: Graduating from college.**

11. What does it mean if something is anonymous?

**Anonymous (sentence 15) - Anonymous means unknown or unidentified. (Not used in this passage)**