



Brian is reading a story about an explorer.

Christopher Columbus was born in Italy in 1451. He was an **explorer**. He travelled to many new places of the world by ship.

One day, he travelled from Spain to an island with his men. There was a heavy storm and their ships were broken. They did not have enough
5 food but the people there did not want to help them. They might die.

Columbus knew that there would be an eclipse of the moon soon. He had an idea. 'If you don't give us food, I will take away the moon', he told the island people.

They did not believe Columbus at first.

10 A few days later, they could not see the moon. They were scared so they gave food to him. Later, the moon came out again. Columbus and his men were finally safe.



A Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

1. Where was Christopher Columbus from?

- A. Spain B. Italy C. America D. An island

2. Read lines 1–2. An 'explorer' is a person who _____.

- A. finds new places
 B. lives on an island
 C. lives on a ship
 D. does not have enough food

Q2

Read the sentence following the word 'explorer'.

3. Why might Columbus and his men die?

 A. B. C. D.4. Read line 9. Who does 'They' refer to?

- A. Columbus and his men B. People on the ships
 C. People on the island D. Columbus and the king

5. People on the island finally gave food to Columbus because _____.

- A. they were full
 B. he helped them find new islands
 C. Columbus and his men were hungry
 D. they believed that he had special powers

Q7

Read the third paragraph of the story.

B Fill in each blank with a word from the text.

In the past, people did not know why the moon suddenly disappeared.

Therefore, they were 6. _____ and believed that someone took

it away. Now we learn that this is called an 7. _____ and it has

nothing to do with any magical powers.