

Camping Under the Stars

Read the story. Then answer the questions on the next page.

- 1 Lena and her dad drove to the lake to camp. First they had to **assemble** the tent. They put the poles together piece by piece until it stood up.
- 2 At **dusk**, the sun went down and the sky turned dark blue. Dad lit a small fire. They cooked hot dogs on sticks.
- 3 Suddenly, a loud hoot came from the trees. Lena was **startled**. She jumped and dropped her hot dog! “It is only an owl,” said Dad with a smile.
- 4 Later, they lay on a blanket and **gazed** at the sky. They looked at the stars for a long, long time. Lena counted stars until she got **drowsy**. Her eyes kept closing and she yawned. Dad carried her into the tent. “Good night, little camper,” he said.



Camping Under the Stars: Questions

The words near a new word are clues. Underline each clue in the color shown.

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- ☐ to put together
- ☐ to fold up

2. In paragraph 2, when is dusk?

orange

- ☐ when the sun goes down
- ☐ at lunch time
- ☐ when the sun comes up

3. In paragraph 3, what does startled mean?

yellow

- ☐ very hungry
- ☐ proud
- ☐ surprised and a little scared

4. What does gazed mean? Write the words from the story that helped you.

green

5. In paragraph 4, what does drowsy mean?

blue

- ☐ sleepy
- ☐ cold
- ☐ loud

6. Write your own sentence with the word startled.

Camping Under the Stars: Answer Key

Answers are in green. The proof is where to find each answer in the text.

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Gazed means looked for a long time. Clue: “They looked at the stars for a long, long time.”

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Proof Paragraph 4: “Her eyes kept closing and she yawned.”

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Answers will vary. Example: The loud thunder startled my dog.