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Working with Words

Take a text marker and mark all the words or phrases that you don't understand. Then look them up in your textbook dictionary.

1 Last summer Emma and her brother Jack
2 visited their grandparents. They have a
3 small farm in the north of the
4 Yorkshire Moors. Their dad took them
5 there in the car. "A farm is a great
6 place for kids and the moors are really
7 beautiful!" But Emma and Jack
8 weren't so sure.
9 "The nearest shops are five miles
10 away!"
11 "I can describe the moors in just
12 three words: brown, cold, windy!"
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14 "OK, kids. Here we are!"
15 The door of the farmhouse opened and
16 Grandpa Butler came out. "Did you
17 have a good trip?" he asked them.
18 "Here. Give me your bags." Emma
19 gave him her bag, but Jack didn't.
20 "I can carry it. I'm a big boy
21 now!" But he didn't see a stone and
22 fell down.
23 S - P - L - A - T !!!
24 Grandpa Butler helped him up. "Are
25 you OK, Jack?" "Ugh! What did I
26 fall in?" Jack asked. Grandpa
27 laughed. "This is a sheep farm. What
28 do you think it is?" And he laughed
29 again.
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31 After lunch Emma and Jack looked around
32 the farm. The hens made angry sounds.
33 They didn't like strangers. They
34 tried to stroke the cats, but the cats
35 walked away. They didn't like

36 strangers. They saw a sheepdog with
37 puppies. But when their mother barked
38 at them, Jack got angry. "We're
39 here for two weeks with stupid hens,
40 stupid cats and stupid dogs!" "Give
41 them time, Jack. We're strangers
42 here. Come on. Let's go for a
43 walk."

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45 "Take the sheepdog with you and
46 don't leave the road," Grandma
47 said. But Emma and Jack didn't want
48 an unfriendly dog with them and they
49 left the road and walked across the
50 moors. They stopped
51 and looked at the wonderful view.
52 Jack's feet were wet and he looked
53 down. His feet were under the ground!
54 But it wasn't ground - they were in
55 a bog! And now it was up to their
56 knees! They couldn't move! They
57 slowly sank deeper and deeper. Emma
58 screamed and Jack shouted.

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60 When the sheepdog found them she sat
61 down and barked. Then they saw Grandma
62 on a beautiful grey pony. A brown pony
63 with big ears was behind. "Here comes
64 help," said Grandma and laughed.
65 "But first I want a photo. Don't
66 worry, the bog here isn't deep. Emma,
67 this is Mumbo. She's your pony. Jack,
68 your pony is called Jumbo. And the dog
69 is Jessie. Always take them with you on
70 the moors because here they're
71 cleverer than you are!" And she
72 laughed again.
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