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1 Put the events in the correct order (1–8).

- a A man pushed Buck into a big, strong box.
- b Buck lay on the ground and watched the man.
- c Buck lived with a rich family in a big house in California.
- d Buck stayed on a train for two days and two nights.
- e Manuel took Buck to a strange part of town.
- f The box opened, and Buck ran out.
- g The man brought meat and water, and Buck ate and drank.
- h The man in the red shirt hit Buck with the club, hard.

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2 Complete the text. Use the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Sometimes, men ¹..... (come) and ²..... (talk) to the man in the red shirt. They ³..... (pay) him money and ⁴..... (take) away some dogs. One day, a man called Perrault ⁵..... (come) to see the man in the red shirt. Perrault ⁶..... (have) an important job; he ⁷..... (carry) letters for the Canadian Government. He ⁸..... (know) a lot about dogs, and when he ⁹..... (see) Buck he ¹⁰..... (be) very happy.

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3 Read the sentences. Write *Billee, Buck, Curly, Dave, Sol-leks* or *Spitz* next to the descriptions.

- 1 was a big, white dog from Norway. At dinner, he tried to take Buck's food.
- 2 was a quiet dog, but he was not friendly. He liked to eat and sleep a lot.
- 3 was a friendly dog. She ran toward one of the dogs to say hello.
- 4 was a big, strong dog with thick, warm fur. He was part of a family and everybody loved him.
- 5 was an old dog with only one eye.
- 6 was Joe's brother. Charles and Hal killed him because he ate too much.

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4 Complete the text. Choose the correct words.

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| 1 a attack | 2 a did not want | 3 a go to be | 4 a kill |
| b attacked | b not wanted | b 's go to be | b killing |
| c attacks | c want did not | c 's going to be | c 's killing |
| d to attack | d want not | d 's to be | d will kill |

Spitz was the number-one dog in the line. Spitz hated Buck, and he always tried **1 (a b c d)** him. Buck hated Spitz, too, but he **2 (a b c d)** to fight him. "One day, there **3 (a b c d)** a big fight between Spitz and Buck," said Perrault. "And Spitz **4 (a b c d)** Buck."

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5 Match the two parts of the sentences. Draw a line between them.

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| 1 One cold, gray afternoon, after days of hard work, | a and he hated Buck. |
| 2 Perrault, François, | b and he enjoyed the work. |
| 3 But then they had to take more letters | c and the dogs rested for a week. |
| 4 Buck worked hard, | d back to Skagway. |
| 5 But Spitz was the number-one dog, | e he made angry noises. |
| 6 When he saw Buck, | f the team came to Dawson. |

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6 Choose the correct answers.

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| 1 Which animal did Spitz kill in the woods? | a a cat | b a mouse | c a rabbit |
| 2 Which dog attacked Spitz? | a Buck | b Dave | c Sol-lek |
| 3 What happened to Spitz? | a He ran away. | b The men killed him. | c The other dogs killed him. |
| 4 Why did Buck run away? | a He was afraid of the club. | b He was hungry. | c The men didn't want him. |
| 5 How did Francois get Buck back? | a He gave hime food. | b He hit him. | c He put down the club. |
| 6 What happened to Buck in the end? | a He was the number-one dog. | b He went to the back of the line. | c He left the team. |

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7 Circle the correct word for each sentence.

- 1 Francois was very **happy** / **sad** when he and Perrault said goodbye to Buck.
- 2 There was a **new** / **an** old driver with Buck and his team of dogs.
- 3 The drivers were kind to the dogs because they ate **after** / **before** the men.
- 4 Dave **could** / **could not** work well because he was too tired and weak.
- 5 Dave pushed Sol-leks away because he **didn't want** / **wanted** to work.
- 6 The next morning, Dave's driver killed Dave with a **gun** / **harness**.

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8 Complete the sentences. Choose one word for each gap.

There was no time for ¹..... in Skagway. There were too many letters ²..... to Dawson. But Buck and his team were ³..... tired and weak for government work. Two men, Charles and Hal, wanted ⁴..... to Dawson, and they needed dogs. They bought Buck and his team and took them ⁵..... their camp.

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| 1 rest | stay | stop |
| 2 take | to take | to taking |
| 3 more | most | too |
| 4 to travel | travel | travelled |
| 5 at | in | to |

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9 Write T (true) or F (false).

- 1 Buck did not like Charles and Hal.
- 2 There was lots of food for the dogs.
- 3 The new dogs were strong and fast.
- 4 Charles and Hal worked the dogs too hard.
- 5 The dogs had to pull Mercedes on the sled.
- 6 Charles and Hal understood ice.
- 7 They fell through the ice.
- 8 Buck stayed behind with Thornton.

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10 Complete the sentences. Choose the correct words. There are three extra words.

friendly happy hard lazily sad slowly thick thin

After that day, Buck's life changed. He was very ¹..... with Thornton in his camp by the river. Thornton had two other dogs, and they were ²..... Buck watched the river and listened ³..... to the birds. Now he had good food and no work. ⁴....., he became strong again, and his fur became ⁵..... and beautiful.

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11 Circle the correct answer.

What happened when Thornton, Hans and Pete took a boat down the river?

- a Buck fell in and Thornton swam out to get him.
- b Thornton fell in the river and his friends pulled him out.
- c Thornton fell in the river and Buck swam out to get him.
- d Thornton pushed Buck into the water.

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12 Read the sentence and choose the correct answer.

1 My dog can pull seven hundred pounds!

- a That's it!
- b That's nothing!
- c That's something!

2 He can't pull a thousand pounds!

- a He isn't!
- b He really does!
- c Oh yes, he can!

3 I bet you a thousand dollars Buck can't pull that sled.

- a All right.
- b He can't.
- c Not really.

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13 After Buck wins the competition for Thornton, they leave Dawson. Answer the questions.

1 How much money did Thornton have?

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2 Did they travel north, south, east or west through the forest?

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3 What did they look for?

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4 Did they find it?

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5 Where did they find it?

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14 Put the information about Buck and the wolf in the correct column.

became friendly did not want to fight jumped up and ran into the forest made a strange call
 ran with it, side by side was bigger was frightened was long and gray

Buck	The wolf

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15 In Chapter Six, Buck leaves Thornton’s camp and goes into the forest.

Write two things that Buck did when he returned to the camp.

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16 List three ways Buck became more like a wild animal after he hears the strange call from the forest.

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17 Buck stayed in the forest for four days, then he went back. Match the things he felt, heard, saw and smelled at the camp. Draw a line between them.

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| 1 He felt | a something bad. |
| 2 He heard | b angry. |
| 3 He saw | c noises. |
| 4 He smelled | d strange men. |

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18 Tick six things people started saying about the ‘dog-wolf’ in the forest.

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| 1 He called a long, sad call. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 He killed dogs. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 He killed men. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 He ran at the head of the wolves. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 He talked to people. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 He took men’s food. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7 He was bigger than the wolves. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8 He was frightened of the men. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9 He was smaller than the wolves. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10 He was stronger than the wolves. | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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19 Read the definitions. Choose the correct words.

attack break dead gold ice lazy pound wild

- 1 People sometimes find hard, yellow pieces of this in rivers.
- 2 When people and animals do not like working hard.
- 3 There are animals, trees and rivers, but there are no houses in these places.
- 4 To do something bad to a person, often because you are angry with them or you want something from them.
- 5 Water starts to be hard because it is very cold.
- 6 You hit something and it goes into small parts.
- 7 Not living.
- 8 You use this word to say how heavy something is.

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20 Correct the sentences. The bold words are incorrect

1 Men used teams of dogs to pull their **harness**.

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2 They put each dog in a **club**.

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3 Then they tied the dogs together with **team**.

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4 When the dogs were slow, they hit them with a **rope**.

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5 Some bad men beat them with a **sled**.

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6 And some cut them with an **ice**.

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