

## Before-reading questions

1 a false b false c true d false e true

2 The dog looks very angry. He wants to attack the man. The man is waiting for him with a club. He is going to hit the dog.

3 *Reader's own answers.*

**Model answer:** Many people love dogs. Dogs help them a lot.

4 *Reader's own answers.*

**Model answer:** They help the police, farmers, and people who can't see or hear.

3 They fell through the ice into the water and never came up again.

## CHAPTER SIX

1 Thornton's friends

2 pull a sled with a thousand pounds on it

3 twenty fifty-pound bags of rice

## CHAPTER SEVEN

1 gold

2 Because he heard a strange call.

3 A long, gray wolf.

## CHAPTER EIGHT

1 some strange men

2 He found Thornton's smell and went after it.

3 He took their food, killed their dogs, and sometimes killed men, too.

## During-reading questions

### CHAPTER ONE

1 Manuel

2 a train

3 He could not fight a man with a club.

### CHAPTER TWO

1 He carried letters for the Canadian Government.

2 Because he tried to eat snow.

3 The other dogs attacked her and killed her.

### CHAPTER THREE

1 a rabbit

2 Because Spitz killed the rabbit.

3 He killed Spitz, and then he pushed Solleks away and stood at the head of the line.

### CHAPTER FOUR

1 Because he had to say goodbye to Buck.

2 two days

3 The driver killed him with a gun.

### CHAPTER FIVE

1 They wanted to travel to Dawson.

2 He stopped Hal from hitting Buck, and he cut Buck out of his harness.

## After-reading questions

1 Buck had an easy life, living with a rich family in the south. At the end of the story, he was a wild dog, running at the head of the wolves in the north.

2 He learned he could not fight a man with a club. He learned to kill other dogs. He learned to take food from people and other dogs, and to sleep under the snow. He learned to kill animals for food, and to kill men.

3 a Buck hated Spitz.

b He didn't like Hal, Charles, and Mercedes.

c He loved John Thornton.

4 *Reader's own answer.*

5 The man with the club, Perrault, François, and Thornton.

6 Yes, Buck was a good number-one dog. He worked hard and made the other dogs work hard, too.

7 *Reader's own answer.*

## Exercises

### CHAPTER ONE

- 1 1 false
- 2 true
- 3 false
- 4 false
- 5 true
- 6 false
- 7 false
- 8 true

### CHAPTER TWO

- 2 1 b    2 c    3 a

### CHAPTER THREE

- 3 1 thin
- 2 dangerous
- 3 sled
- 4 rabbit
- 5 jumped
- 6 attacked
- 7 camp
- 8 team

### CHAPTER FOUR

- 4 1 travel
- 2 cry
- 3 make
- 4 give
- 5 eat
- 6 stop
- 7 find
- 8 lie
- 9 know

### CHAPTER FIVE

- 5 a 4    b 8    c 5    d 1  
e 7    f 2    g 6    h 3

### CHAPTERS FIVE AND SIX

- 6 1 Hal    2 Thornton    3 Hal
- 4 Thornton    5 Thornton

### CHAPTERS ONE TO SEVEN

- 7 1 Where    California.
- 2 When    1897.
- 3 Why    It was thin and broke easily.
- 4 Which    Dave.
- 5 Who    Mercedes.
- 6 How    He pulled a sled with one thousand pounds of rice on it.
- 7 What    Gold.

### CHAPTER EIGHT

- 8 1 c    2 d    3 f    4 a  
5 g    6 h    7 b    8 e

## Project work

*Reader's own answers*