

Key Supplement

MD English Grade 8, Part 2 Grade Level Test

2. 3 points

Students should develop a connection between the Captain's question and the rest of his curious activity at the Admiral Benbow Inn. They should conclude that the Captain is trying to hide from someone, and he is desperately on the lookout. There are plenty of details throughout the excerpt to support this conclusion.

21. 1 point

Students should demonstrate a knowledge of the identifying characteristics of a work of nonfiction as they answer this question.

25. 3 points

Students are correct to assume that the author likes skipjacks. The author likes the idea of these old-fashioned sailboats still being used today. As evidence, they should cite the descriptions of skipjacks or the descriptions of the crews working on skipjacks.

28. 1 points

The middle portion of this passage is developed around an old technology vs. new technology rivalry. The author discusses the damage being done to aquatic life by the motorized oyster dredgers and contrasts this with the harmless skipjacks.