

Answers: Comprehension

Based on the story *Vuyo and Unam*

1. In which province did Vuyo live and near which mountains?

Vuyo lived in the Eastern Cape province near the Drakensberg mountains.

2. What was the name of the family's donkey? What does the name mean?

The name of the family's donkey was Unam. The name means 'He is with me'.

3. Write a sentence that tells us more about who was in Vuyo's family.

Vuyo had two elder brothers and one younger sister.

4. The family used the donkey cart for several things. Name two of them.

The family used the cart for working the land, shopping, building a wall and taking produce to the market.

5. Why do you think Vuyo was excited as he set off for the market?

Vuyo was excited as he set off for market because this was the first time that he was allowed to go by himself.

6. What were Vuyo and Unam taking to the market?

Vuyo and Unam were taking maize, sorghum and vegetables to market.

7. When did Vuyo and Unam stop to rest and eat?

Vuyo and Unam stopped to rest and eat after they had sold everything at the market and off-loaded all the goods.

8. Why would the journey home be harder for Unam?

The journey home would be harder for Unam because he would be pulling the cart up into the hills.

or

The journey home would be harder for Unam because the road was steep, with loose rocks and a sheer drop on one side.

9. What worried Vuyo a little?

Vuyo was worried about the gathering grey clouds (that chilled the air).

or

Vuyo was worried that there were going to be thunder showers.