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Unit 3

Study Guide for Owen and the Tortoise

1. What happened to Owen after he was pulled out to sea? _____
 - a. He found his mother
 - b. A giant wave took him back in to shore.
 - c. He came to rest on a large island.
 - d. He sank to the bottom and almost drowned.
2. The story states that "the wave began to crest." What does crest mean? ____
 - a. to hit the shore
 - b. to reach the top of something
 - c. to have a lot of energy
 - d. to be pushed over something
3. What is the setting for this story? _____

4. What does it mean to be surrounded? _____

5. What happened to the ships when the tsunami reached them? _____
 - a. They crashed to shore.
 - b. They sank to bottom.
 - c. They rose and fell gently.
 - d. all of the above
6. What surprised the wildlife ranger? _____

7. Why was Owen lucky in this story? _____
 - a. He survived the tsunami.
 - b. He found a new mom.
 - c. He was taken care of.
 - d. all of the above

8. What would Owen's mother have been doing after Owen was taken out to sea? _____
- a. sleeping under the large trees
 - b. looking in the river for Owen
 - c. finding a new home
 - d. playing in the river
9. What caused Owen to be pulled out to sea? _____
10. Why did the wildlife ranger take Owen to the wildlife park? _____
- a. He didn't know where Owen's home was.
 - b. He didn't see Owen's mother anywhere.
 - c. He knew Owen needed to recover.
 - d. all of the above
11. Another word for debris is _____.
12. You would expect (rivers, glaciers, ponds) to have a current.
13. The upper shell of a tortoise is the _____.
14. A swift runner is _____.
15. _____ can cause a tsunami.
16. _____ must surround land on all sides for an island to exist.
17. After the hurricane, there was a lot of _____ left in the streets.
18. A _____ is a large, destructive ocean wave caused by earthquakes or volcanoes.
19. The _____ is strongest in the middle of the stream.
20. A Galapagos _____ can live for 150 years.
21. The _____ current carried the toy boat downstream.
22. Cornfields _____ the farmhouse on all sides.