

“The Battle of Waterloo”

Description

“In order to get a clear idea of the Battle of Waterloo of 1815 (Waterloo is near the present city of Brussels, Belgium) we should imagine in our mind’s eye a large capital “A,” coming to a point at the top. The left leg of the “A” is the road from a town called “X.” The right leg of the “A” is the road from a town called “G.” The crossbar of the “A” is known as the “Sunken Road.” At the top of the “A” is Mount St. Jean. Wellington is there. General Jerome Bonaparte is located at the lower left leg of the “A.” The right hand lower leg is where Napoleon Bonaparte is located. A little below the point where the crossbar of the “A” meets the right leg is a town called “Q.” At this point, the final battle word was spoken. Here the lion is placed, the symbol of the supreme heroism of the Imperial Guard.

The triangle contained at the top of the “A,” within the two legs and the crossbar of the “A,” is the plateau of Mount St. Jean. The struggle for this plateau was the whole of the battle. The wings of the two armies extended to the right and left of the two towns called “X” and “G.” Behind the point of the “A”, behind the plateau of Mount St. Jean, is a large forest. As to the plateau itself, we must imagine a vast, rolling country; each rolling hill commands the next; and these hills, rising toward Mount St. Jean, are bounded by a forest.

- a. Now, answer the following questions and circle your choice.
 - b. Now I’ll reread the information on the battle, and I want you to take notes and draw a picture.
 - c. Now using your notes, retake the test putting a box around your answer.
 - d. Read answers while students check.
 - e. Ask how many did better the second time? Why? (repetition, notes, know what to expect)
- Likewise, if you read assignments before class, it makes taking notes on the topic easier as you are going through it the second time and know what to expect.

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 - b. Mount St. Jean
 - c. Plateau
 - d. “Q”
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2. Where was the town called “Q?”
 - a. Near the Sunken Road
 - b. Between Wellington and Napoleon
 - c. Between Jerome and Wellington
 - d. Just below the plateau
 - e. a, b, and d above
3. What is the most direct route between Mount St. Jean and town called “Q?”
 - a. Through the forest behind the plateau of Mount St. Jean
 - b. Sunken Road
 - c. Over the rolling hills of the plateau
 - d. March from “Q” across the Sunken Road up through the forest
 - e. There is no direct route
4. What natural advantage did Wellington hold over Napoleon at the “Battle of Waterloo?”
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 - b. Height
 - c. Visibility
 - d. Protection
 - e. More soldiers
5. Whom did the author of the passage sympathize with?
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 - d. Napoleon Bonaparte
 - e. All of the above
6. Where was General Jerome Bonaparte?
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9. Where was the “Sunken Road?”
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 - c. Halfway to Mount St. Jean
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10. Where is the plateau of Mount St. Jean?
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 - b. Between “Q” and Napoleon Bonaparte
 - c. Between the Sunken Road & Jerome Bonaparte
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Chapter 9 – Listening Notes
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