Heidi

The story step by step

1 Which do you think is the correct word? Listen to chapter 1 to check your answers.

1 In winter, the high slopes / peaks of the Swiss Alps are covered with snow.
2 One morning in June, a tall young woman was walking slowly up the mountainside / mountain path.
3 She also had a woollen scarf / woollen stockings on her legs and boots on her feet.
4 The women, the children and the goats reached a small wooden hut / house on the mountainside.
5 He led them to a valley / pasture where there was fresh, new grass.
6 The little house stood on a slope / ledge which was high on the side of the mountain.
7 Uncle Alp was sitting on a wooden bench / seat outside the hut.
8 Heidi picked up the bundle / boots and the clothes and followed the old man.
9 Opposite the bed, there was an iron stove / a large cupboard.
10 This long, narrow room had a high ceiling, and it was full of soft, dry grass / hay.
11 ‘Ah! Here comes Peter and the goats!’ said Heidi’s grandfather. ‘He always shouts / whistles when he arrives.’
12 The old man filled a mug / glass with milk from the white goat.

2 Can you put the events in the correct order? Listen to chapter 2 on your CD/download to check.

☐ Finch ate grass from Heidi’s hand.
☐ Heidi described mountains.
☐ Heidi felt very sad.
☐ Heidi learned the goats’ names.
☐ Heidi picked lots of flowers and carried them in her skirt.
☐ Heidi promised Peter her food if he didn’t beat the goats.
☐ Heidi spoke to Snowflake.
☐ Heidi thought she saw a fire.
☐ Peter fell asleep.
☐ Peter filled Heidi’s mug with Daisy’s milk.
☐ Peter nearly fell into the ravine.
☐ Peter was waiting outside with the herd of goats.
☐ The old man put bread and cheese in a bag.
☐ Uncle Alp explained to Heidi about the ‘fire’ she had seen.
☐ Uncle Alp told Heidi the names of some mountains.
3 Listen to chapter 3 and put these words in the order that you hear them. You do not hear two of the words.

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4 Eight of the following sentences are false. Do you know which eight? Listen to chapters 4 and 5 on your CD/download and find out.

1 Uncle Alp received messages from Peter to ask him to take Heidi to school.
2 It was nearly Spring when the pastor visited the hut.
3 Detie told Uncle Alp that Clara was an invalid.
4 The journey to Frankfurt took two days.
5 Heidi did not see Grannie before she left.
6 After Heidi went to Frankfurt, Uncle Alp only went to Dörfli to sell his cheese.
7 Heidi went to Frankfurt to make friends with Clara.
8 Clara had lessons in a room similar to a library.
9 Heidi was about five years younger than Clara.
10 Heidi fell asleep at the table.
11 Heidi could not open the window in her room because she was too short.
12 Miss Rottenmeier thought that Heidi was the ideal companion for Clara.
13 There was a blue mark on the carpet because Heidi had dropped an inkwell.
14 Heidi was listening to the wind in the trees when Miss Rottenmeier found her.
15 Sebastian told Heidi that she had to climb a church tower if she wanted to see the trees.
16 The keeper promised to take six kittens to the Sesemanns' house the next day.
17 When the boy came to the house, he played music and they gave him a penny.
18 Heidi hid her hat with the rolls.
5 What do the characters say next? Try to complete the dialogues, then listen to chapters 6 and 7 on your CD/download and check your answers.

1 ‘Ah! This is the little girl from Switzerland,’ he said. ‘Come and _____ _____ _____ ____. Have you and Clara become good friends?’

2 ‘I think that Clara likes her,’ said Mr Sesemann. ‘Yes,’ said Miss Rottenmeier. ‘But the child _____ _____ _____ _____ _____. This isn’t good for Miss Clara.’

3 ‘Is the water cold?’ asked Mr Sesemann. ‘Oh, yes,’ said Heidi. ‘It’s from _____ _____ _____ _____ _____.’

4 ‘What did this gentleman look like?’ asked Mr Sesemann. ‘He _____ _____ _____ _____,’ replied Heidi.

5 ‘What’s your name?’ asked Mrs Sesemann. ‘Heidi. But people here call me Adelheid.’ ‘Then I _____ _____ _____ _____, _____,’ said Mrs Sesemann. ‘You _____ _____ _____ Grandmamma.’

6 ‘Heidi,’ said Mrs Sesemann, _____ _____ _____ _____ _____, you can have this book.’

7 ‘Adelheid, stop making that terrible noise,’ she said. ‘_____ _____ _____ _____ _____, I’ll take your book away.’

8 ‘What’s the matter?’ asked Sebastian. ‘_____ _____ _____ _____,’ said John. ‘And there was a figure on the stairs. It was dressed in white clothes. _____ _____ _____ _____!’

9 ‘Tell me where you were going,’ he said gently. ‘Nowhere’ said Heidi. ‘I _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ downstairs.’ ‘_____ _____ _____?’ asked the doctor. ‘Yes,’ replied Heidi. ‘I have the same dream every night.’

10 ‘Perhaps she will never become well, or happy, again.’ Mr Sesemann was worried when he heard this news. ‘Then _____ _____ _____ _____,’ he said.
6 Listen to chapter 8 and complete the dialogues. Decide whether the sentences are promises, offers or suggestions.

1 'Goodbye, Heidi,' said Mr Sesemann. 'Clara and I ______ ______ ______ ______ you.'
   promise / offer / suggestion

2 'Thank you,' she said to the baker. 'I ______ ______ ______ basket.'
   promise / offer / suggestion

3 'Yes, Grannie, it's really me. Don’t cry,' said Heidi. 'I’m here and I ______ ______ ______ again. I ______ ______ ______ you every day.'
   promise / offer / suggestion

4 Heidi put on her old hat. 'I ______ ______ ______ ______ you again tomorrow.'
   promise / offer / suggestion

5 'Heidi!' called Grandfather. 'Put on your best dress. We ______ ______ ______ ______ together.'
   promise / offer / suggestion

6 'Winters on the mountain are too cold for Heidi. I ______ ______ ______ ______ Dörfli during the winter.'
   promise / offer / suggestion

7 'I can see that your hut needs some repairs. I ______ ______ ______ ______ ______ the winter comes.'
   promise / offer / suggestion

7 Look at these words and phrases. Categorise them under the headings below, then listen to chapter 9 on your CD/download and tick the ones you hear.

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happy | sad
8 Complete the sentences with the simple past form of the verbs in the box. Then listen to chapter 10 on your CD/download to check your answers.

- be  - begin  - bring  - can  - come  - cover  - fall  - fetch  - freeze  - get  - go  - have  - help  - make  - promise  - put  - reply  - stay  - take  - teach

1. Grandfather ______ to take Heidi down to Dörfli for the winter.
2. He ______ Heidi and the goats down to his house in the village.
3. One day, Grandfather ______ her bed of hay from the hut and ______ it in her new room.
4. A few days later the snow ______ and Peter ______ to the house in Dörfli.
5. Peter ______ his sledge and ______ onto it with Heidi.
7. So Heidi ______ to teach Peter. Every day, she ______ him some more letters of the alphabet.
8. Then more snow ______. Soft, thick snow ______ everything and Heidi ______ not go up the mountain to visit Grannie.
9. One evening, three weeks later, Peter ______ a surprise for his mother.
10. ‘You ______ no mistakes! Who ______ you?’
11. ‘It ______ Heidi,’ ______ Peter.

9 Can you spot the wrong word(s)? Listen to chapters 11 and 12 on your CD/download, and check.

1. One man was pushing an empty wheelbarrow, the other man was carrying a large bundle on his back.
2. ‘Oh, Heidi, ‘said Clara. ‘I wish that I could walk about like you.’
3. ‘I’ll make a comfortable bed for her in the hay. Then she can be with Heidi.’
4. Clara had never drunk cow’s milk before. She liked it very much.
5. He did not want Clara to come up the mountain. He only wanted to spend time with his friend, Heidi.
6. He thought about Clara and became very jealous.
7. The chair moved down the slope, faster and faster until it fell into the ravine and crashed onto the rocks far below.
8. I don’t believe that the wind did this. Did someone push the wheelchair down the mountain?
9. Sometimes Snowflake, the little white goat, came and stood beside them.
10. Now Peter was angry. Did Heidi know that he had pushed Clara’s chair off the mountain?
11. Heidi and Peter took Clara further up the pasture, and they sat down together on the grass.
12. He stopped to rest for a few moments. Suddenly, he saw a boy coming up the mountain.
13. He could not speak because he was so surprised. Then he held Clara tightly in his arms and tears fell from his eyes.
14. ‘I want only one thing,’ said Uncle Alp. ‘I’m old. What will happen to Heidi when I die? Please, will you look after her?’
15. When Heidi and Clara said good-bye to each other, Clara started to cry.