

Word Hunt:

Read the following text. Highlight or circle the word containing the root. In the space provided on the back, tell what you think the underlined word means based on your context clues.

Lola found herself lost deep in jungle. She heard strange sounds and saw shadows moving through the tall trees. Because of her ornithophobia, she couldn't stand seeing parrots and toucans flying over her head. She kept her head low for fear the birds would fly in her hair. She had to watch where she was going because there was so much water. Amphibians were crawling around everywhere, into and out of different ponds and pools. She wondered, for a moment, what it would be like to live in the water and on land.

It was starting to get dark and she needed to find shelter. After looking around, Lola finally found a cave. She cautiously walked in and pulled out a flashlight she had in her pocket. She couldn't remember where she got the flashlight, but benefitted from having it with her. She looked around the cave and saw that the walls were covered in letters that appeared to be words and phrases. She wondered if people, who'd been to the jungle before her, provided the first orthography for the language she saw before her. She wished she could verify that this language was the language of the lost civilization her Dad once told her about.

She was about to move further back into the cave when she tripped and fell over something. She took her flashlight and looked at where she'd fallen. It appeared that she had tripped over a rotting corpse! The body was half decayed and had worms and maggots crawling all over it. She was about to scream when she felt a hand slip over her mouth and an arm slide around her arms, picking her up. She passed out. When she awoke, Lola was tied to a stake surrounded by wood and tribesmen with spears and knives. The tribe appeared to be patriarchal, based on the fact that no women were in the circle surrounding her. This was unusual, thought Lola, as she was used to the matriarch of her own family being involved in all aspects of the family. Lola watched as one of the tribesmen stuck a burning flame in the wood pile. She started smelling smoke and seeing flames rise around her. She didn't want to die like this! Who'd tell her family or read a eulogy at her funeral? Would she even have a funeral if her body was burnt to ashes?

"Lola, Lola. Wake up!"

Lola slowly opened her eyes and saw her sister standing over top of her.

"What is wrong with you? It's time for us to get off the bus, this is our stop."

Lola looked out of the window and saw that the school bus had stopped in front of her house. She gave her sister, who had the reputation of being a bully, a big hug. Once off the bus, Lola told her sister all about her dream and the fact that she was getting burned to death. Her sister gave her a shove and told her she that she was weird. Taking a deep breath, Lola walked with her sister to their house and waited for their parents to get home.

Definitions: Write the word, the root, and the definition for each word using context clues. DO NOT USE THE DICTIONARY!

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