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# Chapter Three (Part one) – Ship’s Log

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1. What was the reason that Michael’s parents didn’t want him to be left alone at the cockpit through the channel crossing?
2. How do you think Michael felt about this? Use evidence to support your answer.

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1. Why had Barnacle Bill warned them about the Bay of Biscay?
2. What verbs create an image of a violent storm?

Page 27

1. Why was 19th September a really great day for the family?
2. What is Michael sick of already?

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1. What will be the problem if they sail off course?
2. What word suggests that the boat will be stationary in The Doldrums?

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1. At this point in the journey, what things suggest that all is not well?

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1. Did Stella like the Brazilians? Support your answer with clues from the text.
2. What were the only English the Brazilians knew?

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1. How was Christmas Day different for the family on board their yacht?
2. What was Michael given?
3. Why did he give his parents a coin?

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1. What was so special about the island of St Helena?
2. What does the word ‘exiled’ mean?

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# Chapter Three (Part Two) – Ship’s Log

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1. Why did Stella sulk on his bunk?
2. Why did the sea feel very empty after they’d seen the other yacht?
3. What were they going to do in Africa?

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1. Why did Michael think his Mum was having stomach cramps?
2. Why was running out of beans a problem for Michael though?
3. What terrible thing happened to Stella when they had left Africa?

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1. Why did Dad get a huge telling-off from Mum?
2. What was the rule that Mum laid down from now on?

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1. How do they behave when they see land?

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1. How long did they stay in Australia?
2. What animals did he see in Australia?

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1. What was it like after they left Sydney?

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1. How did they know where they were?
2. Why did he have Eddie’s football with him on watch?
3. How do you think Michael felt?

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1. What started everything happening?

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1. What had Stella been barking at?
2. How did he feel on losing his football?