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**Where the Red Fern Grows**

Chapter 16

Answer the following questions in **FULL and COMPLETE sentences!!**

1. Is the contest fair to the hunters, dogs, and raccoons? Why or why not?

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2. Why are raccoons so hard to hunt?

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3. Imagine you were Billy. How would you feel at the end of this day?

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4. Why do you think all the men wanted Billy and his dogs to win the gold cup?

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**Vocabulary:** Antonyms are words with opposite meanings. Write the letter from column A with its antonym in column B. Then use the words in column A to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

- A**
- \_\_\_\_ 1. Swiftly
  - \_\_\_\_ 2. Dawn
  - \_\_\_\_ 3. Pride
  - \_\_\_\_ 4. Champion
  - \_\_\_\_ 5. Despair
  - \_\_\_\_ 6. Haggard
  - \_\_\_\_ 7. Searing
  - \_\_\_\_ 8. Scramble

- B**
- a. Energetic
  - b. Loser
  - c. hope
  - d. Freezing
  - e. Slowly
  - f. Dawdle
  - g. Sunset
  - h. embarrassment
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1. Because Billy took great \_\_\_\_\_ in his dogs, he groomed them daily.
2. After a long, unsuccessful hunt, the dogs looked worn and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. As soon as they heard the hounds barking, the raccoons tried to \_\_\_\_\_ to safety.
4. At \_\_\_\_\_, just as the sun was rising, the mountains and all the surrounding lands seemed to be at peace.
5. At noon, the \_\_\_\_\_ heat made us tired and thirsty.
6. A feeling of \_\_\_\_\_ came over Billy when he thought Little Ann was lost.
7. The dog's shiny coat and excellent stance marked him as a \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The boys' mother warned him to move \_\_\_\_\_ or it would be dark before he reached his destination.