

Summer

Question 39: What was Tahlia's biggest fear regarding the fire?

- a) the explosion in the shearing shed
- b) the danger posed by the lines of eucalypts
- c) the amount of water required to fight the fire
- d) the use of plastic buckets

Question 40: Where was the shearing shed situated?

- a) on the hill behind the town
- b) near the dam
- c) on the edge of town
- d) under the line of eucalypts

Question 41: The sunrise is called 'an echo of fire'. This suggests that the sunlight

- a) was fierce and bright.
- b) followed the fire with a similar but fainter glow.
- c) was a silent event and the fire was a loud event.
- d) occurred as a result of the explosion.

Question 42: The effort required to fight the fire is described as 'all muscle'. This means the response depended on

- a) skill to get the water from the dam to the houses.
- b) coordination of all the fire-fighting efforts.
- c) allowing the men to do all the dangerous tasks.
- d) hard work when making the fire-fighting preparations.

Question 43: How best could the actions of the people with tree branches be described?

- a) desperate
- b) gallant
- c) thoughtless
- d) cautious

Question 44: A good alternative title for the passage would be

- a) Morning sunshine.
- b) Looming danger.
- c) Exploding eucalypts.
- d) Brave residents.