

Last Days

Question 21: The expedition could be described as a sequence of

- a) high expectations, misgivings and despair.
- b) doubts, endurance and relief.
- c) prospects, endurance and disaster.
- d) adventure, folly and fame.

Question 22: The party that returned from the Gulf of Carpentaria was late arriving. How late were they?

- a) three hours
- b) twenty-one days
- c) six weeks
- d) five months

Question 23: The diary extracts indicate how Wills felt about the depot party's departure. How did he feel?

- a) He felt responsible.
- b) He appreciated the party's decision.
- c) He felt regret for being late.
- d) He felt he had been betrayed.

Question 24: How long did Wills think he would survive after 21 June 1861?

- a) no more than a few hours
- b) a few days
- c) a couple of weeks
- d) up to six weeks

Question 25: The expedition could best be described as being

- a) successful, unlucky, tragic.
- b) tragic, failed, ill-conceived.
- c) futile, laudable, heroic.
- d) successful, triumphant, gruelling.

Question 26: The last days recorded in Wills's diary are days where he experienced

- a) hope and charity.
- b) desperation and resentment.
- c) misgivings and self-recrimination.
- d) rationalisation and forgiveness.

Question 27: The depot party awaiting the return of the explorers

- a) had no right to leave.
- b) obeyed instructions as directed.
- c) were inconsiderate and unworthy.
- d) acted with honour and caution.