

War Horse

Read chapter 6 and discuss the following questions.

1. Why were the soldiers 'buoyant with optimism' at the start of the chapter.
2. Why do you think the horses did not enjoy the journey to France?
3. Describe in detail why the soldiers became 'silent and sombre' as they docked in France?
4. How did Tophorn support Joey?
5. How does Joey describe his relationship with Captain Nicholls?
6. Why do you think the men had swords? Was this a good idea?
7. Why do you think that Joey kept on running after he lost Captain Nicholls?
8. How do you feel about the death of Captain Nicholls?
9. How do you think Joey feels about the loss of Captain Nicholls?
10. Define the following words and phrases:
 - 'extravagant reminiscences' (P53)
 - 'an air of great exuberance and expectancy' (P46)
 - 'jocular spirits' (P48)