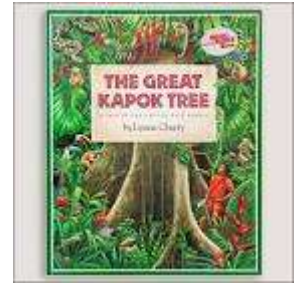


Reading Comprehension Task 2 - The Great Kapok Tree

Read the second page of the story.



The smaller man took the ax he carried and struck the trunk of the tree. Whack! Whack! Whack! The sound of the blows rang through the forest. The wood of the tree was very hard. Chop! Chop! Chop! The man wiped off the sweat that ran down his face and neck. Whack! Chop! Whack! Chop!

Soon the man grew tired. He sat down to rest at the foot of the great Kapok tree. Before he knew it, the heat and hum of the forest had lulled him to sleep.

Now answer these questions:

Were your predictions correct?

Why is the smaller man cutting down the tree?

What impact might this have on the forest?

If the Kapok tree did get cut down, what would happen to the animals?

What would you do if you were the man?

What would you do if you were an animal living in the Kapok Tree?