READING • VOCABULARY

Missing Words from a Story

YEAR 6

Name _____ **Date** _____

Your task: Complete the story by choosing words from the word bank. Use each word once. The gaps need a mix of nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs.

WORD BANK 20 words

ancient	carefully	lantern	vanished	restless
signal	clung	silver	footprints	hurried
map	bravely	narrow	whispered	storm
hut	flickered	suddenly	quietly	discovered

The Light on Blackthorn Moor

FILL THE GAPS

Under a [1] _____ moon, Mara heard the [2] _____ wind rattle the shutters. An old tale said that a light sometimes appeared on Blackthorn Moor before a storm. Curious, she took the [3] _____ from its hook and unfolded the [4] _____ her grandfather had left her. It showed a [5] _____ path across the moor to a ruined building.

Mara followed it [6] _____. Near the ridge, mist [7] _____ to the rocks, and the lantern [8] _____ in the gusts. On the muddy ground she spotted [9] _____ leading towards the [10] _____. She knocked [11] _____ on its door. From inside, a voice [12] _____, “Come in.”

Inside, an old keeper sat beside a fire. Mara [13] _____ an [14] _____ chart showing how the village’s [15] _____ was sent from the lighthouse. The keeper pointed to the clouds gathering beyond the window. [16] _____, a [17] _____ rolled over the moor, and the distant lighthouse lamp went dark.

“The village must be warned!” cried the keeper. Mara [18] _____ climbed the tower steps and pulled the bell rope. Its clear clang travelled across the bay. Then she [19] _____ back down to the village. By the time she reached the first house, the thick fog had [20] _____, and lights were appearing in every window. The lighthouse shone again; the signal had reached home.

Before you finish: Reread the whole story and check that each word makes sense.