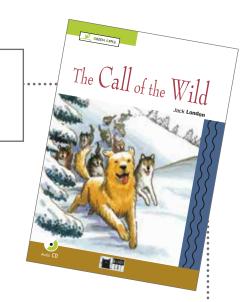
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PART ONE

- Listen to the text and do the exercise.
- 1 Choose the correct answer a, b, or c.
- 1. Men found gold
- a. in California.
- b. in the Santa Clara Valley.
- c. in the Klondike.
- 2. Buck was a strong dog and he was
- a. four years old.
- b. three years old.
- c. fourteen years old.
- 3. Manuel was
- a. Buck's friend.
- b. the gardener's friend.
- c. Buck's master.
- 4. Manuel put a rope around
- a. Buck's legs.
- b. Buck's body.
- c. Buck's neck.
- 5. Two men put Buck
- a. in the baggage car of a train.
- b. in a big suitcase.
- c. in the garden.



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The Call of the Wild

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PART TWO Chapter 2 – The Northland

1. Read the text.

In Seattle four men carried the crate¹ to a garden with a high wall. A fat man with a red sweater look at him. Buck threw himself against the crate. He growled and barked. The man brought a hatchet² and a club³.

"Are you going to take him out now?" asked one of the men. "Sure," the man said. He hit the crate with the hatchet to open it. The four men ran away. They went to sit on the high wall to watch the show.

Buck threw himself against the wood of the crate. He bit it and growled. He wanted to get out. The man with the hatchet opened the crate. Then he put down the hatchet and took the club.

But was really a red-eyed devil. His hair stood up and his eyes were red with anger. He jumped straight at the man and his mouth was ready to bite. At that moment the man hit him with the club. He fell to the ground on his back.

This was the first time he was hit with a club. He did not understand. He jumped at the man again. And again the man hit him with the club. He fell to the ground again. This time Buck knew that it was the club. But his anger was so great that he did not stop. He jumped at the man a dozen times. And a dozen times the club hit him. There was blood on his nose, mouth and ears. Then the man hit him very hard on the nose. The pain was terrible. It was agony. Buck jumped at the man again and the man threw him to the ground. Buck did not move for some time. "He knows how to teach a dog a lesson," said one of the four men. Then they returned to the train station.

³ club: a big piece of wood



¹ crate: a big, wooden box used for transporting animals

² hatchet: a tool that is similar to a hammer but it has a big blade used for cutting

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2. Are the following statements true (T) or false (F)?

- 1. The man with the red sweater carried a hatchet and a club.
- 2. The four men helped the man with the red sweater to open the crate.
- 3. Buck was angry and jumped at the man with the red sweater.
- 4. The man with the red sweater was friendly and tried to talk to Buck.
- 5. The man with the red sweater hit Buck with the club three times.
- 6. Buck hurt his nose, mouth and ears.
- 7. The four men went back to the hotel.

