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**Chapter 15: The Mysterious Island**

**Questions and Answers**

**A. Answer these questions.**

**1. What did the speaker's ship encounter after sailing past the island of Fernando de Noronha?**

Ans. The speaker's voyage to the African island of Fernando de Noronha was smooth and safe from peril but his ship encountered a fearful storm after sailing past this island.

**2. How did the speaker get stranded on the strange island?**

Ans. A massive wave capsized the boat of Robinson Crusoe and his men and they were thrown into the water. Suddenly another great wave took him and carried him to the shore. In this way the speaker was stranded on the strange island.

**3. What did he find on the island during his first day?**

Ans. He found a flat area on the side of the hill where he decided to build a home as it would be safe from animals. He also found a small cave at the back. He decided to use it as a storeroom.

**4. What did the speaker discover during his expedition on the island?**

Ans. The speaker discovered a stream and some grassy plains nearby which ended in a forest. Robinson discovered a green, lush valley as well that was full of beautiful flowers.

**5. What were the strange sights that the speaker saw one day?**

Ans. The speaker saw a footprint in the sand, a boat far off in the sea, a place where a fire had been built and a circle had been cut into the earth.

**6. How did he describe the island?**

Ans. He described the island as a marvellous and bizarre place.

**B. Answer these questions with reference to the context.**

**1. Was I dreaming? Had I gone mad?**

**a. What was the speaker referring to in this line?**

Ans. The speaker was referring to the footprints and the boat which he saw on the island.

**b. Why did the speaker think he had gone mad?**

Ans. The speaker thought that he had gone mad because he saw the strange sights which he had never expected to see on the island again

**c. Why was he disturbed to find the strange sight?**

Ans. He was disturbed to find the strange sight as he thought that he was a lone man in that bizarre place.

**2. What fierce creatures they seemed to be!**

**a. Who was the speaker talking about in this line?**

Ans. The speaker was talking about the primitive and wild people who lived on the island.

**b. Where did he spot these creatures?**

Ans. He spotted these creatures near the shore.

**c. Why did he describe them as fierce?**

Ans. He described them as fierce as they carried primitive weapons and were dancing around the fire, waving their hands and legs wildly.