

# Independent Work

## Week 1

### Research Topics

Edinburgh Castle	Durban, Natal	Cape Town
Elephant Hunting	Ophir	Assegai

### Chapter 1

#### Vocabulary

Pile	=	fortune
Swells	=	fine people
Voorlooper	=	scout
Kafir	=	native
Madeira chair	=	made from wicker; originally from Madeira



#### Book Work

1. Choose a story from the Ingsold Legends and write a few sentences to summarise it. You could add a picture, if you want.  
(Free online at <http://www.exclassics.com/ingold/ingconts.htm>)
2. Using the worksheet ([Appendix A](#)) to record your findings, research lions. Can their bites be poisonous?
3. Were the ships Dunkeld and Edinburgh Castle real ships or made up?
4. How are Sir Henry Curtis and Captain John Good described? Draw them and see if others can tell which is which.

#### Bible Work

1. "...have often caused me to break the tenth commandment" What does this commandment say?

# Group Work

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### Discussion Questions

1. “At any rate, I can safely say that there is not a petticoat in the whole history.” What does this sentence tell you about the attitude to women?
2. When Quatermain talks to Jim, how do they address each other? What attitudes can you see here?
3. There is a hint that one character is more than they first appear. This is an example of foreshadowing. Write your prediction as to who and what. Put everyone’s predictions together and keep them for when this information is revealed.
4. Why did Khiva die? What was the reason for it? How was his death treated?

### Quiz

1. On which ship did Quatermain meet Sir Henry Curtis and Captain Good?
2. By what name is Sir Henry’s brother known?
3. Where did Quatermain meet Sir Henry’s brother?
4. What was the name of the man who gave Quatermain the map?
5. Who went with Sir Henry’s brother on his search for diamonds?
6. Why did Quatermain initially turn down Sir Henry’s request to accompany them?
7. At which hospital is Harry studying to be a doctor?
8. How many oxen did Quatermain buy?
9. What are the names of the three servants that Quatermain engaged?
10. At Inyati how many oxen did they have left?
11. What two animals were killed at the water hole?
12. Which of the servants was killed by the elephant?

### Practical

#### Geography

1. Choose a local area of land, perhaps a park and see how accurately you can draw a map of it. You could look up triangulation and have a go at using it to produce a more accurate map. (There is a description of how to map using triangulation in the Arthur Ransome book “Secret Water”).
2. Organise a treasure hunt with a map and/or clues.