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# Read Together Quick Questions



1. Use the text to give one place that a beach can be found.

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2. **...by the constant pounding of the wind and the tide...**

What do you think the word pounding means? Tick one.

- ☐ spending  
☐ hitting  
☐ waiting



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# Answers



1. Use the text to give one place that a beach can be found.

**Accept any one of the following: next to the sea; next to a river; next to a lake.**



2. **...by the constant pounding of the wind and the tide...**

What do you think the word pounding means? Tick one.

☒ **hitting**



3. What might happen to inland towns if there were no beaches?

**Pupils' own responses, such as: Inland towns might get worse storms and very big waves if there were no beaches to absorb the power of the bad weather.**



4. What is the first fact that readers find out in this text?

**Pupils' own responses, such as: The first fact that readers find out is that a beach is a slim strip of land.**