

It may have been merely a small circle of light, but instantly I felt the energy rushing through my veins. After hours of crawling through thick, repulsive mud, fresh air flooded my lungs, hope began to blossom inside me – escape finally seemed possible.

I couldn't tell how long I'd been missing for, each day blurred into another until finally I took my opportunity.

I had heard frantic, raised, muffled voices behind me, but now: silence – apart from what sounded like...the sea?

My eyes adjusted to the light, I blinked. Impatiently, I scanned for danger, uncurled my body and limped away.

1. What could have happened before this part of the story?
2. Which words, or phrases, areonyms?
3. What might have happened to the narrator? Why do you think this?
4. Why might the narrator be limping?
5. What do you think will happen next? Why?

**Be a detective.**



Many tunnels have been used to escape, what were Tom, Dick and Harry used for in World War 2?  
How were tunnels used at the Copiapó mining accident?  
Where is the longest tunnel in the world? Find it on a map?  
Where was the first underwater tunnel built? How was it built? Can you find it on a map?  
Tunnels have been used to build cities underground. Find out about one. Why was it built?  
What is the deepest tunnel ever built? What was it built for?



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