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All Quiet on the Western Front: Questions

Vocabulary:

- 1. diminish
- 2. distorted
- 3. bombardment
- 4. sulfur
- 5. caliber
- 6. parapet
- 7. metallically
- 8. barrage
- 9. entanglements
- 10.grenades

Comprehension Questions:

- 1. How did the troops initially feel about going to war?
- 2. What is the 'western front'?
- 3. Why do you think no one spoke during the bombardment?
- 4. How could a trench disappear?
- 5. How could a trench be dangerous?
- 6. While living in the trenches, the soldiers feared many things. Name one that is specifically described as providing "excitement."
- 7. What happens just as the author tries to follow the recruit who escapes.
- 8. What happened to the first recruit?
- 9. What did they have to do to keep him quiet?
- 10. Where would the wire entanglements be located on a battlefield?
- 11. Pretend you are a soldier living in the trenches. Write a one-page letter to your family back home describing your life during war...what you see, hear, feel with your hands and feel with your heart.