

The Lake

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Questions



1. Draw **four** lines and match each word from the text to its synonym.

clusters

surrounded

vast

calm

encircled

extensive

tranquil

bundles



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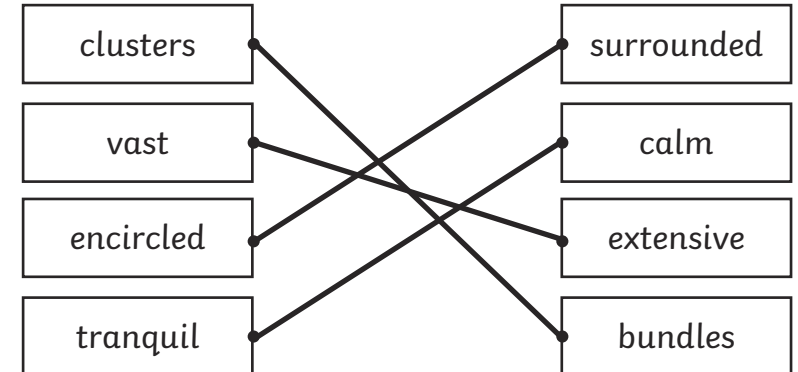
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Answers



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Pupils' own responses, such as: I think the author gives the impression that the lake is moving gently and that there are little ripples in the water.



3. Name one thing which is on the edge of the lake.
Accept one of the following responses: willows; pebbled shore; stones; mountains.



4. Find and copy a simile.
Accept one of the following responses: water swept over them like a blanket; protecting the lake like a precious gem.