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Answers will vary. The author includes some details for interest and some for additional information.

Suggested Additional Vocabulary:
surrender, temporary, coastal, refugee, extraordinary