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Read Together Quick Question



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Answers



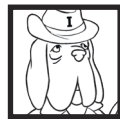
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2. What time of day has Samuel written about in his diary?
Samuel has written about the morning in his diary.



3. What is the last feeling that Samuel felt?
The last feeling that Samuel felt was despair.



4. Why do you think the roof of Saint Paul's is not there?
Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that the roof of Saint Paul's is not there because it has been burnt and destroyed in the fire.