

* Read page 123, ‘The caver who got trapped for a dozen days’, to page 126, ‘…impossible to winch the injured man to the surface.’
* Why do adventurers travel to the Riesending and what is it?
* What is the main objective for the professional scientists?
* Why is their objective hard to achieve?
* How had Westhauser sustained his injuries?
* Why did it take one of Westhauser’s colleagues ten hours to alert a rescue team and why did he do it alone?
* Westhauser needed expert help from cavers and climbers. What were they able to do that other rescuers couldn’t do?
* At the bottom of page 125, the author mentions a ‘pinch point’. What does he mean by this?
* As the cavers and climbers tried to get to Westhauser, what do you think were their main concerns?
* The author refers to the caving system as ‘convoluted’. What does he mean by this?