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Cliff Hanger Summary

Axel went to _____ school in the _____ Mountains.

When he saw _____ he was glad he wasn't climbing. Then two women told Axel that _____ was at the top of _____. They had to leave him because the _____ was getting bad.

Axel's father, _____, who was the _____ of the school, heard the news. He knew how far away the storm was because he counted the time between the _____ and the _____. For every _____ counts, the _____ was one mile away. Since the storm was _____ miles away, they decided to go get _____.

They got to _____ Wall. They were going to wait, but they heard _____ howl. Dag wanted to go up the _____, but Axel said that would take _____. Axel said that he could climb it. He climbed _____, like a(n) _____. When he was fifteen feet up, he jammed a(n) _____ into a crack, a carabiner into the nut, and his rope in the _____. If he fell he wouldn't fall to his _____.

Then Axel climbed to the rim of _____. Then he pulled himself up, a dangerous move. He _____ himself to the wall. He breathed a sigh of _____ because Grits was _____.

They waited on _____. When the storm moved away, Axel eased _____ over the edge of the ledge. His dad got him. Dag told Axel that he only had enough _____ to rappel halfway down. It was okay because Axel saw a good _____ where the rope would end. But when he came to the end of the _____, the planned route was _____ below.

Dag told Axel about a good route on the _____ side. Axel swung hard several times and finally reached a(n) _____. He secured himself, untied the _____, pulled it from the _____, and let it fall to his _____. He started to _____. His dad didn't say anything because he didn't want to break his _____.

When Axel was _____ from the ground, he _____ to his dad. The storm was at the _____. They decided to wait out the storm. They made _____ and talked about how _____ they were.