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What is a prologue? When is the prologue set?

It is a part of the story that goes before the main story begins and gives important information that the reader will need later. It is set in 1931.

When di Pa first tell me the story of the Wyrms and the Stones?

Halloween

Why was Magda so excited?

She wasn't used to being out after dark.

What did they go to visit at the top of the cliff?

The four stones

In dad's story, what is the name of the boat? See if you can find out what this means and decide if you think it is a good name for a boat.

The Aurora. The boat leaves before dawn and goes off very early so this might be the link with the dawn?

How did the girls try to help their fathers to return to the right part of the coast and see the cliff through the fog?

They lit a signal fire at the top of the cliff and kept it burning all night.

What did the girls do differently on the fourth evening?

They sang a song.

What was the subject of the song the girls sang?

Love loyalty and sacrifice.

According to the story, what was the Wyrms?

It was "the treacherous sandbank that lurked in the shadow of the towering cliffs"

How was the Wyrms affected by the girls' song?

'The Wyrms squirmed beneath the surface of the water. It had returned the Aurora, but now it felt angry and cheated and hungry.

What happened to the girls in the story?

The Wyrms took their souls and turned them in to stone.

How does Dad tell the story to make it exciting?

He takes the girls to the cliff where the stones are, it is dark and misty and he changes his voice to speak softly to make the story seem mysterious.

The author writes, “ I shivered horribly. I felt all icy and strange. I looked at Mags and she was frozen,..” Why do you think the author uses the words icy, strange frozen..?

This links with the idea of being cold but also frozen in time and solidified like the stones. To freeze something is to make it a solid.