

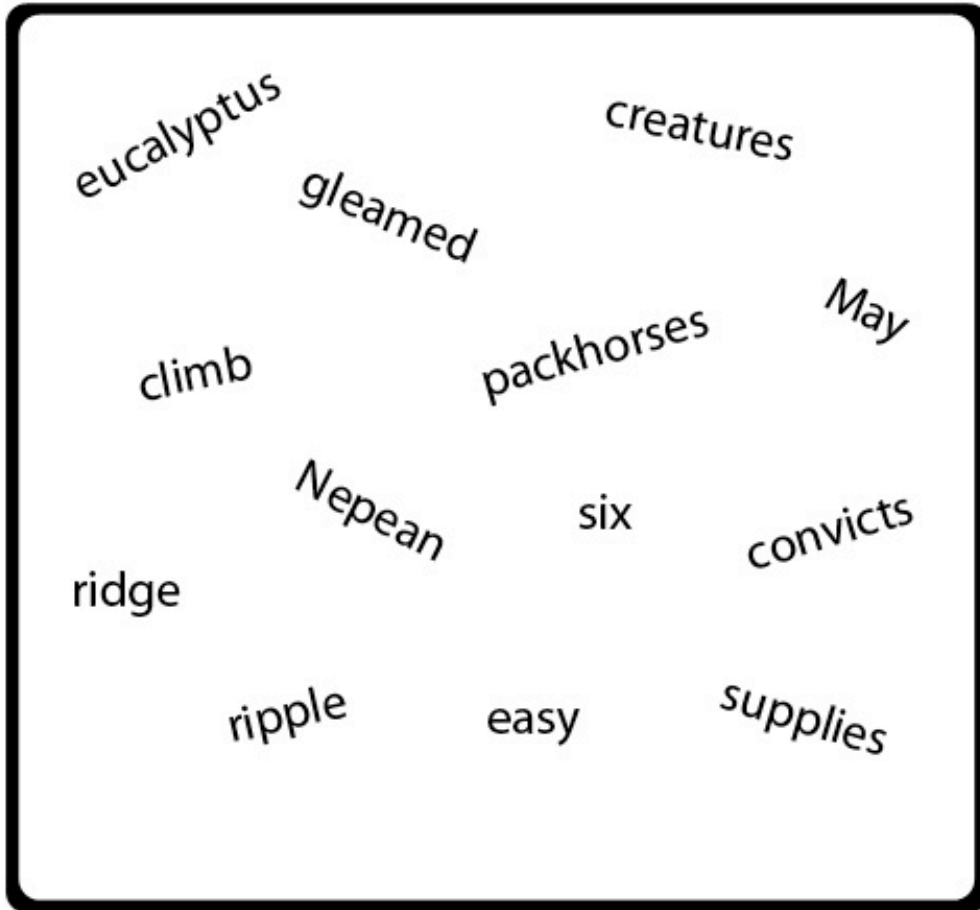
ACROSS THE BLUE MOUNTAINS – Activity Sheet 4

Complete this story by filling in the gaps with words chosen from the box.

On 11 _____ 1813, they set out from South Creek with four _____, five dogs and enough _____ to last them for _____ weeks.

That same afternoon they crossed the _____ River at Emu Island and began the long hard _____ up the first ridge. The going was far from _____, but by evening they had crossed to the second _____.

They camped that night on the furthest spot William Dawes had reached in his expeditions of twenty four years before. It was _____. and very peaceful, sitting by the campfire that night. All about them was the scent of _____; from far below them, somewhere in the valley, came the _____ of water. The rustlings in the undergrowth told of the movement of small bush _____, and above them in the dark upturned bowl of the sky, _____ the Southern Cross. Before them stretched the mountains, ridge upon threatening ridge.



Extract taken from *A Remarkable Obstacle* by Elizabeth Wilton



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