

## Quiz A: RL.6.5

Read the passage. Then answer the question.

## The Way Through the Woods

Rudyard Kipling

They shut the road through the woods  
Seventy years ago.  
Weather and rain have undone it again,  
And now you would never know

5 There was once a road through the woods  
Before they planted the trees.  
It is underneath the coppice and heath,  
And the thin anemones.  
Only the keeper sees

10 That, where the ring-dove broods,  
And the badgers roll at ease,  
There was once a road through the woods.

Yet, if you enter the woods  
Of a summer evening late,

15 When the night-air cools on the trout-ringed pools  
Where the otter whistles his mate.  
(They fear not men in the woods  
Because they see so few)  
You will hear the beat of a horse's feet

20 And the swish of a skirt in the dew,  
Steadily cantering through  
The misty solitudes,  
As though they perfectly knew  
The old lost road through the woods. . . .

25 But there is no road through the woods.

1. How does stanza 2 contribute to the setting of the poem?
- A. It describes the weather as being hot.
  - B. It explains where the road is located.
  - C. It describes how overgrown the area has become.
  - D. It explains why the road was shut down.

