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| 2. | It was a harness, such as he had seen the grooms put on the horses at home. And as he had seen horses work, so he was set to work, hauling Francois on a sled to the forest that fringed the valley, and returning with a load of firewood. |
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From Chapter 2: The Law of Club and Fang

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 - □ Crater Lake from Chilkoot Pass summit, British Columbia, ca. 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/hegg/image/328590312002_69.jpg]
 - □ Boat building at Bennett , Bennett Lake, British Columbia, ca. 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/hegg/image/234260312002_173.jpg]
- 2. It was a harness, such as he had seen the grooms put on the horses at home. And as he had seen horses work, so he was set to work, hauling Francois on a sled to the forest that fringed the valley, and returning with a load of firewood.
 - □ Dogsled team hauling cords of wood, Yukon Territory, ca. 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/hegg/image/687230312002_265.jpg]
- 3. Dave was wheeler or sled dog, pulling in front of him was Buck, then came Sol-leks; the rest of the team was strung out ahead, single file, to the leader . . .
 - □ Dogsled team with four men, vicinity of Dawson, Yukon Territory, ca. 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu//hegg/image/0120312002_611.jpg]
- 4. It was a hard day's run, up the Canyon, through Sheep Camp, past the Scales and the timber line, across glaciers and snowdrifts hundreds of feet deep, and over the great Chilcoot Divide, which stands between the salt water and the fresh and guards forbiddingly the sad and lonely North.
 - □ Dogsled team at Sheep Camp, Chilkoot Trail, Alaska, ca. 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/hegg/image/85960312002_140.jpg]
 - □ Klondikers approaching "The Scales" and preparing for ascent of Chilkoot Pass, Alaska, spring 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/meed/image/14.jpg]
 - □ Klondikers ascending to the summit of Chilkoot Pass, Alaska, 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/hegg/image/92180312002_483.jpg]

From Chapter 3: The Dominant Primordial Beast

- 5. At the end of this day they made a bleak and miserable camp on the shore of Lake Le Barge.
 - □ Klondikers camped on the shoreline of frozen Lindeman Lake, British Columbia, 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/hegg/image/453440312002_67.jpg]
- 6. A dozen times, Perrault, nosing the way, broke through the ice bridges, being saved by the long pole he carried, which he so held that it fell each time across the hole made by his body.
 - □ Men crossing ice bridge over the Skagway River with horses, Alaska, ca. 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/hegg/image/937440312002_390.jpg]
- 7. But a cold snap was on, the thermometer registering fifty below zero . . .
 - □ Thermometer Registering -68° Below [http://content.lib.washington.edu/hegg/image/765300312002_368.JPG]

From Chapter 4: Who Has Won to Mastership

- 8. It was a hard trip, with the mail behind them, and the heavy work wore them down. They were short of weight and in poor condition when they made Dawson . . .
 - □ Ben Atwater and his dogsled team arriving at Bennett Lake from Circle City, Alaska with U.S. mail, British Columbia, ca. 1898 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/hegg/image/500300312002_74.jpg]

From Chapter 6: For the Love of a Man

- 9. The three partners were lining a long and narrow poling boat down a bad stretch of rapids on the Forty Mile Creek.
 - □ Boat navigating the rapids on One Mile River between Linderman Lake and Lake Bennett, British Columbia, 1897 [http://content.lib.washington.edu/laroche/image/220.jpg]

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The Call of the Wild's Sentences: Sentence Combining Exercise



- He was older than the days he had seen.
 He was older than the breaths he had drawn.
- Men gasped and began to breathe again.Men were unaware that for a moment they had ceased to breathe.
- 3. It was the call sounding more luringly than ever before. It was the call sounding more compelling than ever before. The call was many-noted.
- 4. Those who were looking on heard what was neither bark nor yelp. Those who were looking on heard something which is best described as a roar. Those who were looking on saw Buck's body rise up in the air as he left the floor for Burton's throat.
- 5. Several hundred men were furred.
 Several hundred men were mittened.
 Several hundred men banked around t

Several hundred men banked around the sled.

Several hundred men were within easy distance.

6. With a handful of salt, he could plunge into the wilderness.

With a rifle, he could plunge into the wilderness.

He could plunge into the wilderness.

He could fare wherever he pleased and as long as he pleased.

7. He would lie by the hour, eager, alert, at Thornton's feet.

He would look up into his face.

He would be dwelling upon it, studying it.

He would be following with keenest interest each fleeting expression, every movement or change of feature.

8. From then on, Buck never left his prey.

Night and day, Buck never left his prey.

Buck never gave it a moment's rest.

Buck never permitted it to browse the leaves of trees.

Buck never permitted it to browse the shoots of young birch and willow.

9. Best of all, perhaps, he loved to lie near the fire.

His hind legs were crouched under him.

His fore legs were stretched out in front.

His head was raised.

His eyes were blinking drearily at the flames.

Thornton saw him coming.

Buck struck him like a battering ram.

Buck struck him with the whole force of the current behind him.

Thornton reached up and closed with both arms around the shaggy neck.

11. They attached the line with which they had been snubbing the boat to Buck's neck and shoulders.

They were careful that it should neither strangle him nor impede his swimming.

They launched him into the stream.

12. The boat flirted over and snubbed in to the bank bottom up.

Thornton flung sheer out of it.

Thornton was carried down-stream toward the worst part of the rapids.

The worst part of the rapids was a stretch of wild water in which no swimmer could live.

13. They are afraid of this Ghost Dog.

This Ghost Dog has cunning greater than they.

This Ghost Dog steals from their camps in the fierce winters.

This Ghost Dog robs their traps.

This Ghost Dog slays their dogs.

This Ghost Dog defies their bravest hunters.

14. Every night, regularly, at nine, they lifted a nocturnal song.

Every night, regularly, at twelve, they lifted a nocturnal song.

Every night, regularly, at three, they lifted a nocturnal song.

The song was a weird and eerie chant.

It was Buck's delight to join in the chant.

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The Call of the Wild's Sentences: London's Combined Sentences



- 1. He was older than the days he had seen and the breaths he had drawn.
- 2. Men gasped and began to breathe again, unaware that for a moment they had ceased to breathe.
- 3. It was the call, the many-noted call, sounding more luringly and compelling than ever before.
- 4. Those who were looking on heard what was neither bark nor yelp, but a something which is best described as a roar, and they saw Buck's body rise up in the air as he left the floor for Burton's throat.
- 5. Several hundred men, furred and mittened, banked around the sled within easy distance.
- 6. With a handful of salt and a rifle he could plunge into the wilderness and fare wherever he pleased and as long as he pleased.
- 7. He would lie by the hour, eager, alert, at Thornton's feet, looking up into his face, dwelling upon it, studying it, following with keenest interest each fleeting expression, every movement or change of feature.
- 8. From then on, night and day, Buck never left his prey, never gave it a moment's rest, never permitted it to browse the leaves of trees or the shoots of young birch and willow.
- 9. Best of all, perhaps, he loved to lie near the fire, hind legs crouched under him, fore legs stretched out in front, head raised, and eyes blinking drearily at the flames.
- 10. Thornton saw him coming, and, as Buck struck him like a battering ram, with the whole force of the current behind him, he reached up and closed with both arms around the shaggy neck.
- 11. They attached the line with which they had been snubbing the boat to Buck's neck and shoulders, being careful that it should neither strangle him nor impede his swimming, and launched him into the stream.
- 12. The boat flirted over and snubbed in to the bank bottom up, while Thornton, flung sheer out of it, was carried down-stream toward the worst part of the rapids, a stretch of wild water in which no swimmer could live.
- 13. They are afraid of this Ghost Dog, for it has cunning greater than they, stealing from their camps in the fierce winters, robbing their traps, slaying their dogs, and defying their bravest hunters.
- 14. Every night, regularly, at nine, at twelve, and three, they lifted a nocturnal song, a weird and eerie chant, in which it was Buck's delight to join.