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Creative Writing—Short Fiction Unit
Short Story Questions—“Light is Like Water”
By Gabriel Garcia Marquez

1. Explain how the scene with the broken light bulb is an example of magic realism.

2. What did the boys look under when they were diving for items that has been lost in the darkness?

3. “...two entire classes at the elementary school of Saint Julian the Hospitaller drowned.” Did the kids really drown? Explain your position.

4. How does Papa’s comment, “It’s a proof of their maturity” add to the characterization of both Totò and Joel?

5. Locate and write down two similes involving water.