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The Mysterious Message in a Bottle

Open-ended Response Answer Key

1. Lily likely felt a mix of excitement and curiosity when she found the message in the bottle. Her decision to embark on the treasure hunt was driven by her adventurous spirit and fascination with the mysteries of the sea.
2. The landmarks and clues in the treasure hunt added depth to the story and revealed the town's history and secrets. Each clue contributed to the unfolding mystery, building suspense and excitement.
3. The message encourages Lily to appreciate both the treasures of the past (the historical artifacts and the town's hidden history) and the adventures of the present (the excitement of the treasure hunt itself). This message relates to the story's theme of valuing history, adventure, and discovery.
4. If I were in Lily's shoes, I would hope to find a treasure hunt that leads to a lost piece of history or an ancient artifact. Exploring history and uncovering secrets would make for an exciting adventure and a meaningful discovery.

