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## Riders of the Silver Creek

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. A specific moment highlighting the gang's reliance on each other's unique skills is when they encounter a raging river, and Billy's speed helps them find a safe crossing while Emma's tracking skills locate a suitable path.
2. The theme of friendship and teamwork is evident as the Silver Creek Gang relies on each other's strengths and faces challenges together, ultimately strengthening their bond.
3. The American West's rugged landscape serves as both a challenging setting and a character in the story, influencing the gang's journey and representing the untamed nature of the West.
4. The gang's experiences in their quest for the Silver Creek Treasure will likely strengthen their bond and prepare them for future adventures. They will carry with them the lessons of teamwork, resourcefulness, and the value of friendship into new challenges in the untamed West.

