

Acrostic Anchors Answer Key

Key Main Ideas from the Passage:

- Stormy coast caused shipwrecks.
- Lighthouse built for safety.
- Keeper maintained the lantern nightly.
- Light warned ships away from rocks.
- Community valued the keeper.
- Fewer accidents, harbor trade grew.
- Symbol of safety and care.

Sample Acrostic (Using "LIGHT"):

- **L**antern shines to guide ships.
- **I**n storms, it prevents wrecks.
- **G**uardian keeper climbs stairs nightly.
- **H**arbor grows safer for trade.
- **T**ownpeople grateful for protection.

Explanation:

This acrostic recalls the major events: the lantern, its stormy purpose, the keeper's role, harbor safety, and community gratitude.

Teacher Notes:

- Accept a variety of words chosen for the acrostic (e.g., *SAFETY, HARBOR*).
- The goal is not poetic beauty but **recall of key details** in an organized, mnemonic form.
- For enrichment, ask students to compare acrostics and discuss which one helps them remember the most details.