

Unit 1: My Family and Other Animals

Name: Class: Date:

1. “... and returned to the villa coyly bearing a mysterious parcel”

In this clause, tick **one** word that *coyly* is closest to in meaning.

bravely	<input type="checkbox"/>	quickly	<input type="checkbox"/>
proudly	<input type="checkbox"/>	shyly	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. What did Larry first suggest Mother’s bathing costume looked like?

3. Draw lines to show each character’s attitude to the bathing costume.

Character	Attitude
Gerald (narrator)	thinks it’s old fashioned
Larry	thinks it’s a monstrosity
Margo	scared of it
Roger	amused but mystified by it

4. Why is Mother indignant?

5. What was the “*strange apparition*” that Roger saw?

6. Explain how the descriptions given of the bathing costume justify both Mother’s view towards it, and that of her children.

Use evidence from the text to support your answer.
