## **Chapter Five**

Vocabulary **paralyzing** – to cause an inability to move foreboding – a feeling that something bad is about to happen **implements** – tools efficient – getting something done with little effort descending - to go down **vertical** – in an up and down direction **lacerated** – torn or cut jaggedly ricocheting – bouncing off a surface at an angle inevitability – an event that cannot be stopped **depression** – a hollow ozone – air that has a strong, electrical type of odor aimless – without thought or plan summit – the top of a hill or mountain **panorama** – a wide view in all directions tenacious – holding firmly; stubborn analysis – a detailed examination futile – useless vain – having a high regard for oneself reconciliation - to settle a disagreement

1. What happens to defeat Ben's hope for survival?

2. What factors does Ben have to weigh before setting out for the catch basin he sees?

3. Ben is also constantly aware of something else. What is it?

4. How does this fact foreshadow what happens next?

5. Why does Ben run for the catch basin in spite of the pain he is in?

6. What does Madec do that shows his intent?

7. Explain what Ben's options are at this point.

8. What observations has Ben made that might help him survive?

9. How can he use this knowledge?

10. What other knowledge does Ben possess that might help him survive?

11. Rather than see Madec as a cold-blooded murderer, how does Ben view him?

12. What becomes clear to Ben at this point?

13. Ben's awareness of his true situation causes him to do what?

14. What new conflict has been developing?