

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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Class:

Question Number One: Reading Comprehension

A) Read the following paragraphs carefully then answer the questions below:

About seventy-five percent of all of the species of animals we know live in the rainforests including some beautiful birds, insects and reptiles. Many of them live in the trees, over thirty meters above the ground. It is hot in the rainforest and the ground is wet.

The rainforests are very important for us because they make the oxygen that we breathe. They also help to control the weather.

In many rainforests loggers have already cut down trees because farmers want the land. Some of the animals that lived in the forest have become extinct.

1. The writer mentioned some animals that live in rainforests, give two examples!
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2. Where do many of the animals in rainforests live and why?
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3. Why have loggers cut down trees?
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4. What happened to some of the animals that lived in the forest?
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5. What does the pronoun (that) in paragraph three line (2) refer to?.....

B) Read the following paragraphs carefully then answer the questions below:

The value of emeralds has been known for centuries and even in ancient times. The Aztecs in Mexico and the Incas in Peru held them in high regard. However, the oldest emeralds were found in Egypt, near the Red Sea. Many Egyptian pharaohs took emeralds from the mines there. The mines were actually known as "Cleopatra's mines" because Cleopatra liked to wear the stones. She wore jewellery made from emeralds and decorated many ornaments with the jewel. Cleopatra presented noble visitors with carved emerald sculptures that looked like the Queen.

The ancient Egyptians believed that emeralds were not only beautiful but were also able to cure disease. Historians know that these emeralds were a lighter colour green than many emeralds found today, but they were highly valued in Ancient Egypt.

1. Where were the oldest emeralds found?
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2. What were Queen Cleopatra's jewellery made from?
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3. What did Queen Cleopatra use to give to her visitors?
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4. What did Egyptians believe about emeralds?
5. True or False:
 - a. Cleopatra was the queen of Mexico. T F
 - b. Emeralds were highly valued in ancient Egypt. T F
6. The underlined pronoun "they" refers to

Question Number two :Find the words with the following meanings:

Logging	oxygen	surface	species	insects
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- 1) Air that we breathe.....
- 2) Cutting down trees.....
- 3) Top layer of something.....
- 4) Varieties or types of animals or plants.....
- 5) Small animals with six legs.....

Question Number three: Choose the correct answer for these statements:-

- 1- My uncle is an explorer. He has **yet / already** been to some of the world's most faraway places. He hasn't been to the Amazon **yet / already**, but he has **yet / already** planned his trip there next year.
- 2- A: I can't believe you've **yet / already** done all your homework!
B: Well, I haven't finished my math's **yet / already**, but I have written my essay and I've **yet / already** done my history.
- 3- I think I **might / must** have failed the test, but I'm not sure.
- 4- You look so tired now. You **must / can't** have worked so hard.
- 5- If Suzan said that, it **might / must** true. She never lies.
- 6- I'm not sure I trust Peter. He **must / can't** the person we think he is.
- 7- There's a bit of traffic, so I **can't / might** arrive on time.
- 8- He **could / can't** be very proud of you right now. You disappointed him.

Best wishes