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I. Word meanings

1. lagoon
2. biologist
3. bluff
4. massive
5. rumbling
6. tropical
7. rings
8. pounded
9. panga
10. encounter

II. Answer the following questions in brief.

1. Where is La Laguna ?

La Laguna is a quiet fishing village on the sandy shore of Laguna San Ignacio in Baja California.

2. Who is Adelina Mayoral?

Adelina Mayoral is a ten year old girl who lives in Laguna San Ignacio in Mexico.

3. What does Adelina wait for each year in January?

Adelina waits for the gray whale to return to the lagoon.

4. Why do whales come to La Laguna?

The waters of the protected lagoon are warm and shallow. It is the perfect place for mother whales to have babies and teach them to swim.

5. Summarize the author's purpose in writing 'Adelina's whales'

The author wanted to tell the readers about the gray whales and their yearly journey to Laguna San Ignacio.

6. What is spyhopping?

When a whale pops its head straight up out of the water, as if it is looking around to see what is going on, it is called spyhopping.

7. What is breaching?

When a whale leaps out of water and makes a giant splash falling back in, it's called breaching.

8. What is fluking?

When a whale raises its tail up in the air as it goes into a deep dive that is called fluking.

III. Answer the following questions in detail.

1. Explain why Adelina would be awakened by the noise made when a gray whale exhales:

The whale weighs forty tons and therefore exhales a room-size blast of air which would be loud. Adelina would be awakened by this loud, low, rumbling noise.

2. Describe Pachico's first encounter with the whale.

One afternoon when Pachico and his partners were fishing, the boat was gently nudged by a gray whale. They held tight and waited preparing to be thrown into the water by the gray whale. Instead of attacking, it glided alongside them, blasted them with sea water and dove into the sea.

IV. Fill in the blanks.

1. Pachico was the first person to have a visit from the whales.
2. The whale's wide flat tail is called fluke.
3. Whales travel more than five thousand miles in late fall and winter.
4. Runolfo is Adelina's father.
5. Adelina's home is a simple shack on a sandy bluff.
6. Adelina's favorite time of the year is winter.
7. La Laguna is a fishing village in Mexico.
8. In the early spring the lagoon grows quiet.

V. Write phrasal answers.

1. According to scientists, why did the Mother Whales come to Laguna San Ignacio?

To have their babies

2. Where is Laguna San Ignacio?

In the coast of Baja California

3. Why did the mother whales come to Laguna San Ignacio?

to have babies

4. How could Adelina tell time?

by the way the light reflected on the water

5. What did the author want to describe?

a special place that gray whales visit in the winter.

6. Why is La Laguna "the place where two worlds join together?"

the world of whales and humans meet



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Date		Subject	ENGLISH	Topic	Comprehension

Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions.

How The Teddy Bear Got Its Name

Have you ever had a teddy bear? Most kids have one when they are little. But do you know how that little stuffed bear got its name?

The 26th President of the United States was Theodore Roosevelt. His friends called him Teddy because it sounded much less formal than Theodore. When he had some free time, he liked to hunt and to be out in the woods where all kinds of wildlife lived. One day he went on a bear hunt with some friends. After three days of hunting, he and his hunting party had not found one single bear. He was very disappointed because he hadn't found a bear. The next day, his hunting guide took his dogs back out into the woods and came across an old, slow, tired bear. The guide tied him to a tree and went back to tell the President he had found a bear for him to shoot.

President Roosevelt saw the poor old thing, and refused to shoot him. He said that it was not sporting to shoot any animal that couldn't defend itself.

When the story broke in the newspapers, a cartoonist saw it, and immediately drew a newspaper cartoon showing how the president refused to shoot an injured bear. Two shopkeepers named Rose and Morris Michtom saw the cartoon. Rose had been making and selling toy stuffed animals for years., but she had never made a stuffed bear before she saw the cartoon. Rose made two stuffed bears and Morris put them in his store window. He asked President Roosevelt for permission to call the bears Teddy's Bears after the President's nickname. The President loved the idea, and so did the public. Everyone in town wanted a Teddy's Bear and the shopkeepers could barely keep up with the demand. It wasn't long before a German woman named Margaret Steiff heard about the bears, and she began developing different sized bears for toy-making company.

Over the years, more and more companies began making the bears in all different sized, shapes, colors, and styles. Soon Teddy's Bears became known all over the world as teddy bears, which is how we know them today. Roosevelt went down in history as a kind and humane person and, to honor his memory, millions of stuffed animals are still named after him.

Choose the correct answer.

1. When President Roosevelt's guide found a bear on a hunting trip, what did he do with it?

- a. shot it
- b. hid it from the President
- c. tied it to a tree
- d. named it Teddy

2. What did Morris and Rose call their stuffed bears?

- a. Teddy Bears
- b. Teddy's bears
- c. Theodore Bears
- d. President's Bears

Answer the following questions.

1. Why wouldn't President Roosevelt shoot the bear his guide had found?

2. Who made the first stuffed bear named after Teddy Roosevelt?

3. How did Rose and Morris find out what happened on President Roosevelt's hunting trip?



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Read the following passage carefully and answer the following questions.

George Washington

We call George Washington the “Father of our Country”. He was the first president of the United States. He also served as the lead general in the Revolutionary War. Every Presidents’ Day, we remember him as America’s first great leader.

Washington was born on February 22, 1732 in Virginia. He had little schooling, but taught himself many important skills. As a young man, he became a soldier and fought for the British in the French and Indian War.

Later, however, Washington and others became angry at the way England was ruling its American colonies. In 1776, the colonists declared their independence from the British. General Washington led his troops in the fight against the British. In 1783, America won the war and became free from England. Washington retired as general and returned to his farm in Virginia.

But the new country struggled. It needed a better structure for its government. In 1787, Washington helped head up the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia. That is where the U.S. Constitution was written to create a brand new form of government.

As a popular war hero, Washington was the logical choice to become the first president in 1789. He was re-elected four years later. He said he would not serve a third term because that would give one man too much power. As the first president, Washington set an example for later presidents. Today, we honor him as a great leader for a brand new country.

Fill in the blanks.

1. George Washington served as the lead general in the _____.
2. In 1783, _____ won the war and became free from _____.

3. It needed a better structure for its _____.

Choose the correct answer.

1. Which sentence about George Washington is true?
 - a. Washington always loved to read books.
 - b. Washington fought in the Civil War.
 - c. Washington didn't like the way England was ruling the colonies.
 - d. Washington was elected president three times.

Answer the following questions.

1. Where and when was George Washington born?

2. What happened at the Constitutional Convention in 1787?

3. Which two wars did George Washington fight in?

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ENGLISH LITERATURE-NOTES-GRADE 5

POEM –FALLING SNOW-Author unknown

I. Vocabulary

- 1. snowflakes
- 2. window-ledge
- 3. blade
- 4. laden
- 5. bare

II. Answer the following questions in brief.

- 1. What is meant by a lyric poem?

A lyric poem expresses the thoughts and feelings of the poet and natural phenomena such as the passage of seasons. They are necessarily short, and have a musical rhythm.

- 2. How can "Falling snow" be a lyric poem?

The poem "Falling snow" has the characters of lyric poem. It explains the changes happening to nature during winter season and the beauty of the falling snow on different objects.

3. What changes can we see during winter according to the poet in the poem

“Falling snow”?

According to the poet of the poem ‘Falling snow’, in winter the snow forms a thick and soft layer on the walkway and housetop. The grass in the garden which was green has now become white and not even a blade is seen. The bushes and twigs are laden with thick and white snow which is a very pretty sight.

I. Vocabulary

1. club
2. essay
3. scales
4. apprentice
5. manufacturing
6. pressure
7. chemical
8. atmosphere
9. curious
10. gale

II. Answer the following questions in brief.

1. What is meant by biography?

Ans. A biography is an account of a person's life written by another person.

2. What was Luke's father's opinion about work?

Ans. Luke's father believed work was important and laziness was bad.

3. Why was Luke unhappy as a chemist's apprentice?

Ans. Luke did not have time to study clouds and weather so he was unhappy.

4. Why was Luke's new house better for weather watching?

Ans. Luke's new house was in a village with wide spaces where he could see lots of sky, and he had a weather watching room with big windows.

5. How did scientists in 1896 come up with a list of ten new names for clouds?

Ans. The scientists used five of Luke's names and five others that were combinations or revisions of his cloud names.

III. Answer the following questions in detail.

1. What things caused Luke Howard to make his discoveries?

Ans. Luke began to be interested in nature and clouds since childhood. He kept careful records about things he observed. He didn't give up his interest. He was determined to follow his interest he worked hard to do it.

2. Why did scientists point out that people would understand Latin cloud names more easily than French ones?

Ans. Latin was the official language of the Roman Empire for over five hundred years. Because of Rome's widespread influence, many European languages were based on Latin. So, scientists pointed out that people would understand Latin cloud names more easily.

IV. Fill in the blanks.

1. The Swedish Botanist who influenced Luke Howard- Linneaus
2. Luke was a member of the religion called Quakers
3. At the age of ten Luke began keeping a weather journal to describe what he saw in the sky.
4. Luke's wife-Mariabella Eliot
5. Luke's daughter-Mary
6. Luke's sister-Elizabeth
7. Expand WMO- World Meteorological Organization.