





VOCABULARY ?

A. Choose the correct words in the box to match their meaning.

- _____ 1. A piece of land surrounded by water.
- _____ 2. Left in a difficult or helpless situation, such as being stuck in a place with no way to leave.
- _____ 3. Older or senior members of a community or group, often respected for their wisdom and experience.
- _____ 4. To keep someone or something safe from harm, danger, or damage.
- _____ 5. Land that is unable to produce vegetation, often due to lack of fertility or resources.
- _____ 6. A young tree, especially one that has recently been planted or is still small in size.

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B. Choose the correct words from the box to complete the sentences.



ISLAND PROTECT BARREN SAPLING STRANDED ELDERS

The boy's precious _____ was shrinking, eroding away with the rushing river.
 The boy witnessed animals _____ on those sandbars, their homes destroyed.
 The _____ explained that the only way to help animals was to create new homes for them.
 Others tried to hunt the animals for their horns and fur but the man was there to _____.



6. Every day he watered the _____ by hand sweat trickling down his face and chest.

5. The land was too _____ for animals, the shores too sandy for leafy trees.





COMPREHENSION

A. Choose the correct answers.





WHAT IS THE MAIN FOCUS OF THE STORY?

- a) The life of a boy in India
- b) The importance of trees and conservation efforts
- c) The challenges of living on a river island



WHERE DID THE BOY LIVE?

- a) In a city
- b) On a farm
- c) On a large river island in India





COMPREHENSION

A. Choose the correct answers.





WHY DID THE BOY FEAR FOR THE PEOPLE?



- b) Because of the lack of trees
- c) Because of the animals



WHAT GIFT DID THE BOY RECEIVE FROM THE ELDERS?

- a) Seeds
- b) Saplings
- c) Tools







A. Choose the correct answers.





WHAT DID THE MAN DO TO **ADDRESS THE VILLAGERS'** CONCERNS ABOUT TIGERS?



HOW DID THE FOREST CHANGE OVER TIME?

- Planted more grasses
- Built fences around the forest
- Ignored their worries

- It shrank in size
- It became denser and larger
- It remained the same









COMPREHENSION





B. Choose T if the statement is correct, but if it is false, change the underlined word to make the statement true.





01	The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago	
	The second-best time to plant a tree is later.	

- 12 They gifted the boy with 20 <u>bamboo</u> saplings.
- The boy's <u>house</u> eventually expanded to 10 acres, 20 acres, then 40.



- The man planted more grasses to attract small animals that would keep the <u>tigers</u> happy in the forest.
- He built a <u>watering system</u> to help and lugged heavy buckets from the river.

TRUE	FALSE



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

A. Answer the questions.



How do trees benefit humans and animals?



Can you think of any trees in your neighborhood or community? What do they provide for people and animals?



Why do you think the boy felt sad when he saw animals stuck on sandbars?





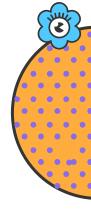


DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

A. Answer the questions.



What problems did the boy face when he planted the bamboo? How did he keep going?





Have you ever tried to do something hard like the boy did? What did you do to keep trying?





Do you think you could plant something and take care of it every day like the boy did?

