



LEARNING LADDERS

Earth's Features

How much of the world's water is found in the oceans? How many volcanoes erupt each year? How was the Grand Canyon formed? Read *Earth's Features* to find out!

What did you learn?

QUESTIONS

1. The inside of a cave is often ...
 - a. Hot
 - b. Damp
 - c. Flooded
 - d. Bright
2. The side of a valley is called a valley ...
 - a. Wall
 - b. Floor
 - c. Peak
 - d. Desert
3. Most lakes are filled with ...
 - a. Salt water
 - b. Fresh water
 - c. People
 - d. Sharks
4. A majority of Earth's water is in ...
 - a. Lakes
 - b. Icebergs
 - c. Oceans
 - d. Bathtubs
5. What mountain in Asia is 29,035 feet (8,850 meters) tall?
6. What river in Africa flows for 4,160 miles (6,695 kilometers)?

TRUE OR FALSE?

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| _____ | 1. Trees usually grow on the peak of a mountain. | _____ | 4. New islands may arise from underwater valleys. |
| _____ | 2. Tall grass is common in prairies. | _____ | 5. Greenland is the largest island in the world. |
| _____ | 3. Most rivers begin in wet plains. | _____ | 6. Some caves are filled with ancient paintings. |

ANSWERS

- 1. b. Damp.** According to section "Cave" on page 8, we know that "The inside of a cave is often a dark, damp place." So, the correct answer is B.
- 2. a. Wall.** According to section "Valley" on page 13, we know that "The sides of a valley are called valley walls." So, the correct answer is A.
- 3. b. Fresh water.** According to section "Lake" on page 18, we know that "Most lakes are filled with fresh water." So, the correct answer is b.
- 4. c. Oceans.** According to section "Did you know?" on page 26, we know that "About 97 percent of the water in the world is in the oceans." So, the correct answer is C.
- 5.** According to page 5, Mount Everest is 29,035 feet (8,850 meters) tall.
- 6.** According to page 16, the Nile River flows 4,160 miles (6,695 kilometers).

TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. False.** According to section "Mountain" on page 5, we know that "Forests cover the sides of many mountains. Trees usually do not grow on the peak." So, the correct answer is False.
- 2. True.** According to section "Plain" on page 11, we know that "Tall grass grows on many plains." So, the correct answer is True.
- 3. False.** According to section "River" on page 16, we know that "Most rivers begin on mountains or hills." So, the correct answer is False.
- 4. False.** According to section "Island" on page 22, we know that "New islands may rise when volcanoes erupt in the sea." So, the correct answer is False.
- 5. True.** According to section "Island" on page 23, we know that "The largest island in the world is Greenland." So, the correct answer is True.
- 6. True.** According to section "Did you know?" on page 27, we know that "Ancient people left paintings of animals in hundreds of caves." So, the correct answer is True.