

LEARNING LADDERS

Nature's Places

How big is the Sahara Desert? What is the name of a large seaweed that forms huge underwater forests in the ocean? Read *Nature's Places* to find out!

What did you learn?

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- 1. Sand dunes are formed by ...
 - a. Rain
 - b. Animals
 - c. Wind
 - d. Pollution
- 2. Hippopotamuses spend much of their lives in wetland areas of ...
 - a. Africa
 - b. China
 - c. Wales
 - d. India
- 3. Coral is a rock structure formed by ...
 - a. Dozens of tiny animals
 - b. Hundreds of tiny animals
 - c. Thousands of tiny animals
 - d. Millions of tiny animals

- 4. The Earth's surface is ...
 - a. One-third deep sea
 - b. Two-thirds deep sea
 - c. Three-quarters deep sea
 - d. None of the above
- 5. Is a baobab an animal or a tree?
- 6. Is a caribou an animal or a tree?

TRUE	RUE OR FALSE!					
	1. Elks travel in herds.		4. Polar lands are colder than anywhere else in the world.			
	Grasslands always have short grasses and dry soil.		5. Land snails use their muscular foot to crawl about.			
	A spider monkey can grasp a branch with its tail.		6. Giant vent-worms live in hard tubes near the vent.			



ANSWERS

- **1. c. Wind.** According to section "Desert" on page 4, we know that "They are formed by wind." So, the correct answer is C.
- **2. a. Africa.** According to section "Wetland" on page 10, we know that "Hippopotamuses spend much of their lives in wetland areas of Africa." So, the correct answer is A.
- **3. d. Millions of tiny animals.** According to section "Coral Reef" on page 18, we know that "Coral is a rocky structure formed by millions of tiny animals." So, the correct answer is D.
- **4. b. Two-thirds deep sea.** According to section "Did you know?" on page 26, we know that "The deep sea covers two-thirds of Earth's surface." So, the correct answer is B.
- **5.** According to page 8, a baobab is a tree that can be found in Kenya.
- **6.** According to page 17, a caribou is an animal that can be found in the Arctic.

TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- **1. True.** According to section "Forest" on page 6, we know that "Elks travel in herds." So, the correct answer is True.
- **2. False.** According to section "Grassland" on page 8, we know that "Some grasslands have short grasses and dry soil. Others have tall grasses and rich soil." So, the correct answer is False.
- **3. True.** According to section "Rain forest" on page 15, we know that "A spider monkey can grasp a branch with its tail." So, the correct answer is True.
- **4. True.** According to section "Polar Region" on page 16, we know that "Polar lands are colder than anywhere else in the world." So, the correct answer is True.
- **5. True.** According to section "Tiny Worlds" on page 21, we know that "Land snails use their muscular foot to crawl about." So, the correct answer is True.
- **6. False.** According to section "Unusual Places" on page 23, we know that "Giant tubeworms live in hard tubes near the vent." So, the correct answer is False.

