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*Read the following text and choose the right answer by crossing (x) a, b, c, d, or e!*

*The following text is for questions 1 to 5.*

### **Timun Mas (Golden Cucumber)**

Long time ago in the island of Java, Indonesia, lived a couple of farmer. They had married for some years but they had no children. So they prayed to a monster called Buta ljo to give them children. Buta ljo was a ferocious and powerful monster. He granted their wish on one condition. When their children had grown up, they had to sacrifice them to Buta ljo. He liked eating fresh meat of human being. The farmers agreed to his condition. Several months later the wife was pregnant. She gave birth to a beautiful baby girl. They named her Timun Emas, The farmers were happy. Timun Emas was very healthy and a very smart girl. She was also very diligent. When she was a teenager Buta ljo came to their house. Timun Emas was frightened so she ran away to hide. The farmers then told Buta ljo that Timun Emas was still a child. They asked him to postpone. Buta ljo agreed. He promised to come again. The following year Buta ljo came again. But again and again their parents said that Timun Emas was still a child. When the third time Buta ljo came their parents had prepared something for him. They gave Timun Emas several bamboo needles, seeds of cucumber, dressing and salt. Timun, take these things "What are these things? These are your weapons. Buta ljo will chase you. He will eat you alive. So run as fast as you can. And if he will catch you spread this to the ground. Now go!" Timun Emas was scared so she ran as quickly as she could. When Buta ljo arrived she was far from home. He was very angry when he realized that his prey had left. So he ran to chase her. He had a sharp nose so he knew what direction his prey ran.

Timun Emas was just a girl while Buta ljo was a monster so he could easily catch her up. When he was just several steps behind Timun Emas quickly spread the seeds of cucumber. In seconds they turned into many vines of cucumber. The exhausted Buta ljo was very thirsty so he grabbed and ate them. When Buta ljo was busy eating cucumber Timun Emas could run away. But soon Buta ljo realized and started running again. When he was just several steps behind Timun Emas threw her bamboo needles. Soon they turned into dense bamboo trees. Buta ljo found it hard to pass. It took him some time to break the dense bamboo forest. Meanwhile Timun Emas could run farther. Buta ljo chased her again. When he almost caught her again and again Timun Emas threw her dressing. This time it turned into a lake. Buta ljo was busy to save himself so Timun Emas ran way. But Buta ljo could overcome it and continued chasing her. Finally when Timun Emas was almost caught she threw her salt. Soon the land where Buta ljo stood turned into ocean. Buta ljo was drowned and died instantly. Timun Emas was thankful to god and came back to her home.

1. What did the couple of farmer ask from Buto Ijo?
  - a. Kid
  - b. Wealth
  - c. Treasure
  - d. Marriage
  - e. Mother
  
2. What was the name of the farmer's daughter?
  - a. Buto ijo
  - b. Mbok rondo
  - c. Timun mas
  - d. Giant
  - e. Mbok sirni
  
3. What were Timun Mas' weapons to run a way and defeat the Buto Ijo?
  - a. Salty sauce, Cucumber peel, bamboo needles
  - b. Salty cucumber, needle, cucumber, bamboo trees
  - c. Golden cucumber, salt, salad and dressing
  - d. Cucumber seed, bamboo needles, dressing, salt
  - e. Apel, salt, cucumber
  
4. "This time it turned into a lake". The word "it" refers to....
  - a. Salt
  - b. Bamboo needles
  - c. Dressing
  - d. Seed of cucumber
  - e. Salty sauce
  
5. "Timun Mas Threw salt when almost caught". What did the salt turn into?
  - a. Lake
  - b. Vines of cucumber
  - c. Bamboo forest
  - d. Ocean
  - e. Jawa tengah