Animal's Sleeping Habits

Sleep for humans almost always means a sleeping mat. Animals, however, have many different ways of sleeping. For warmth, some animals sleep in groups. Lions, monkeys, and penguins are a few animals that sleep in groups. Elephants also sleep in groups, but they sleep in groups for protection. The larger elephants sleep standing up. The younger ones get inside the circle and lie down to sleep.

Some animals sleep in trees. Birds will lock their feet onto the branch to keep from falling out the tree. Other animals like squirrels and baboons make nests in the trees to sleep in. They curl up to keep warm. Bats hang from tree branches to sleep.

Most animals look for warm, dry places to sleep. But ducks often sleep in the water. Sea otters sleep in water too. They float in their backs in the seaweed. Most animals lie to down to sleep. However, larger animals, like horses sleep standing up. The flamingo sleeps standing on just one leg.

Most animals sleep at night but most animals are nocturnal. Nocturnal animals sleep during the day. Bats are nocturnal animals. Bats wake up when the sun goes down. But just like humans every animal must sleep.

Name: _____

Place the correct answer on the line.

1. Which sentence tells the main idea of this story? _____
   a) Sleep for humans always mean a bed and a mat
   b) Animals have many different ways of sleeping
   c) Most animals sleep at night.

2. This passage is a _____ passage.
   a) Fictional
   b) Nonfictional
   c) Fable

3. What is the title of the passage? _____
   a) Animals sleep in many different ways
   b) The way human and animals sleep
   c) Animal's sleeping habits

4. What text feature is listed below? _____
   a) Photograph
   b) Diagram
   c) drawing

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"Animals sleep in groups for **protection**".

5. The word protection is _____
   a) italicized
   b) boldface
   c) title

6. What text feature will I use to find the meaning for the word nocturnal. _____
   a) index
   b) highlighted text
   c) glossary

7. Put a **T** by the sentences that are true and an **F** by the sentences that are false.

a) All animals sleep at night _____
b) Elephants sleep in groups for protection _____
c) Birds are the only animals that build nests. _____
d) All animals sleep. _____