Stonehenge Listening Worksheet

A. Vocabulary in Context

Match the words with their meanings.

1. Plateau	a. A mystery that is difficult to explain
2. Steward	b. A large flat area of highland
3. Rudimentary	c. Basic and simple
4. Alignment	d. A person who takes care of a place
5. Enigma	e. The position of things in relation to each other

B. Multiple Choice

Choose the best answer.

1. Why does Ian mention that there are no rivers near Stonehenge?

a) To explain why tourists find it difficult to visit.
b) To show that moving the stones there may have been challenging.
c) To prove that the monument was built for farming.
d) To explain why people lived somewhere else.

2. What can we infer about the builders of Stonehenge?

a) They had advanced machinery.
b) They probably worked together in large groups.
c) They lived directly inside the monument.
d) They came from another planet.

3. Why is Durrington Walls important to researchers?

a) It contains all the missing stones.
b) It proves Stonehenge was a calendar.
c) It provides clues about the people who built Stonehenge.
d) It was built before Stonehenge.

4. Which statement best summarizes Ian's attitude toward Stonehenge?

a) He believes every mystery has already been solved.
b) He thinks alien theories are probably correct.
c) He accepts that many questions still have no clear answers.
d) He believes researchers are close to discovering everything.

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5. What does the discovery of stones underground suggest?

a) Stonehenge may be more complicated than people first believed.
b) The monument was built recently.
c) The stones were hidden from enemies.
d) Researchers were wrong about its location.

C. Discuss with a partner.

1. Why do you think people were willing to transport stones such a long distance?
2. Do you think Stonehenge was built mainly for practical reasons or religious reasons? Why?
3. Why are people still fascinated by Stonehenge after thousands of years?
4. Do you think it is important to continue researching monuments even if we may never know the complete truth?

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