



"I scream. You scream. Now we can all scream at ice cream." That is exactly what 15-year-old Sarah Thompson did when she tried the newest flavor of ice cream: chocolate-covered cricket!

Believe it or not, those loud bugs that you hear on summer nights are now turning up in ice cream. The crickets are raised in cages for about 6 weeks until they become ready to be cooked. They are baked for about 5 minutes, and then they are covered in chocolate before they are mixed with ice cream.

You may think that eating crickets might not be very good for your health, but in actuality, they are quite nutritious and they have lots of protein. As a matter of fact, some people say that 'eating crickets is better than eating too much chocolate.'

So, the next time you see ice cream with crickets in it, don't scream and run away. Think of it as a nutritious snack and give it a try!



Understanding the passage

A Circle the best answer.

1. The main idea of this passage is that _____.

a. ice cream is very delicious

b. Sarah Thompson ate a cricket

c. crickets are turning up in ice

2. The best title for this passage would be _____.

a. Crickets and Chocolate

b. Crickets in Ice Cream

c. Crickets in Summer Nights

3. When Sarah first tried chocolate-covered cricket she _____.

a. smiled

b. screamed

c. ate too much

4. After being raised, crickets are baked for about _____.

a. 5 minutes

b. 6 weeks

c. 15 years

5. Crickets have lots of _____.

a. chocolate

b. snacks

c. protein



Understanding Pronoun

1. The word "she" (line 2) refers to_____.

2. The word "they" (line 4) refers to_____.



Vocabulary Review

A. Fill in each blank with one of the words in the list below.

flavor	bugs	nutritious	screamed	protein
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- I like little _____ such as ants and flies.
- Eggs, bacon, bread, and milk would be a very _____ meal.
- Have you tried the new ice cream_____?
- Meat, milk, and even crickets have lots of_____.
- Sarah _____ when she first tried cricket ice cream.

