Part 1: COMPREHENSION (Questions No. 1-5)

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

Most human beings are awake during the day and sleep all night. Owls live the opposite way. **Owls are nocturnal**. This means that they sleep all day and stay awake at night. Because owls are nocturnal, this means they must eat at night. But finding food in the dark is difficult. To help them, they have special eyes and ears.

Owls have very large eyes. These eyes absorb more light than normal. Since there is little light during the night, it is helpful to be able to absorb more of it. This helps owls find food in the dark.

Owls also have very good hearing. Even when owls are in the trees, they can hear small animals moving in the grass below. This helps owls catch their prey even when it is very dark.

Like owls, mice are also nocturnal animals. Mice have an excellent sense of smell. This helps them find food in the dark.

Being nocturnal helps mice to hide from the many different animals that want to eat them. Most of the birds, snakes, and lizards that like to eat mice sleep at night –except, of course, owls!

1. In paragraph 1, we learn that "**Owls are nocturnal.**" What does this mean?

A. Owls sleep at night and are awake during the day.
B. Owls sleep during the day and are awake at night.
C. Owls sleep at night and during the day.
D. Owls hunt mice.

2. Based on information in paragraph 2, it can be understood that an animal with small eyes

A. must be nocturnal.
B. has trouble seeing in the dark.
C. can see very well at night.
D. is likely to be eaten by an owl.

3. According to the passage, owls can find food in the dark using their sense of

I. Sight II. Sound III. Smell

A. I only.
B. I and II only.
C. II and III only.
D. I, II and III.

4. Which of the following statements is **true**?

A. Owls sleep at night.
B. Mice find food in the afternoon.
C. Owls live differently compared to human beings.
D. Owls help mice to hide from many different animals.

5. Based on information in the final paragraph, it can be understood that

A. owls hunt mice.
B. mice can hide from owls.
C. mice and owls both hide from birds, snakes, and lizards.
D. birds and snakes often hunt lizards.

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