



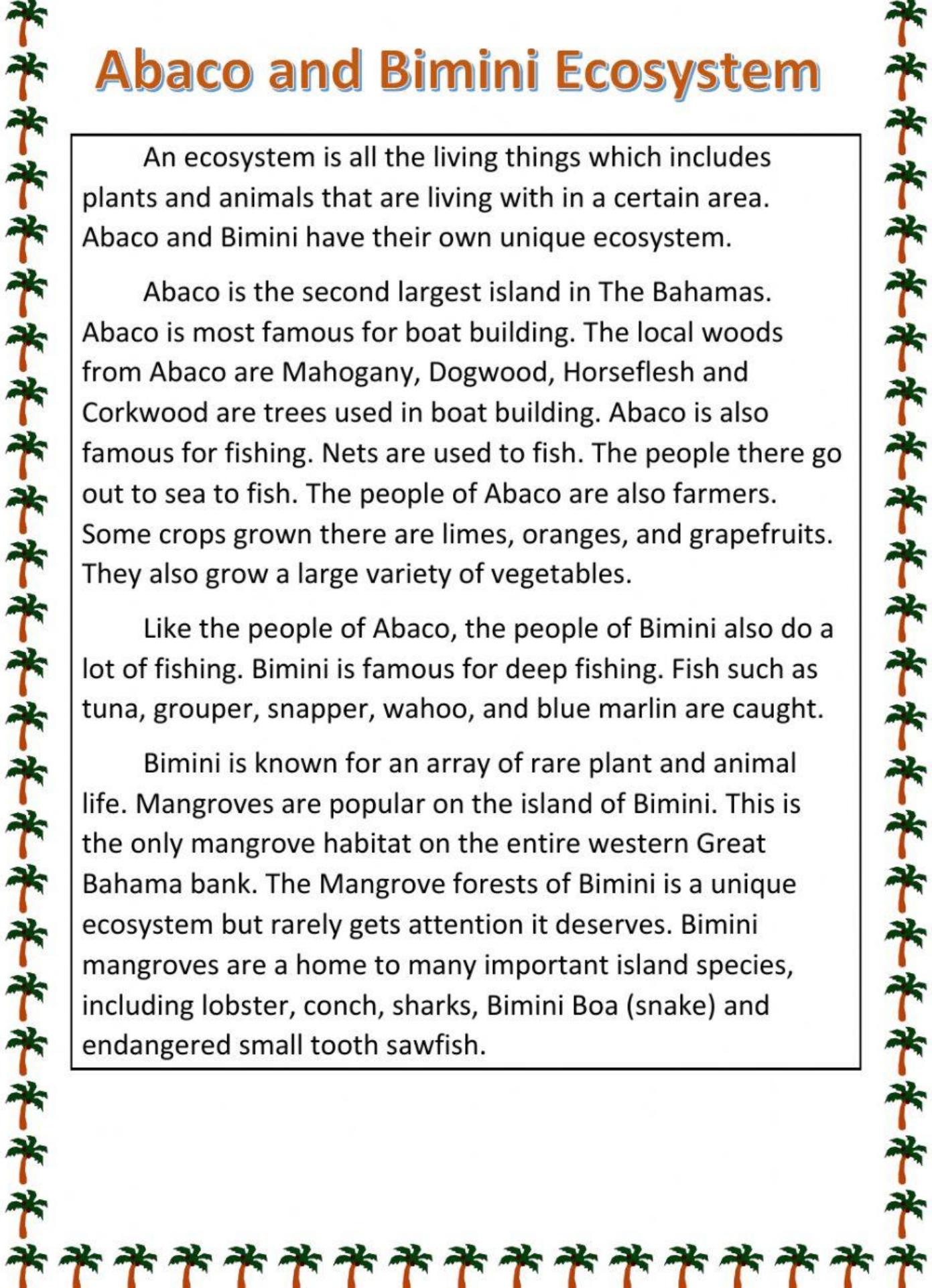
Abaco and Bimini Ecosystem

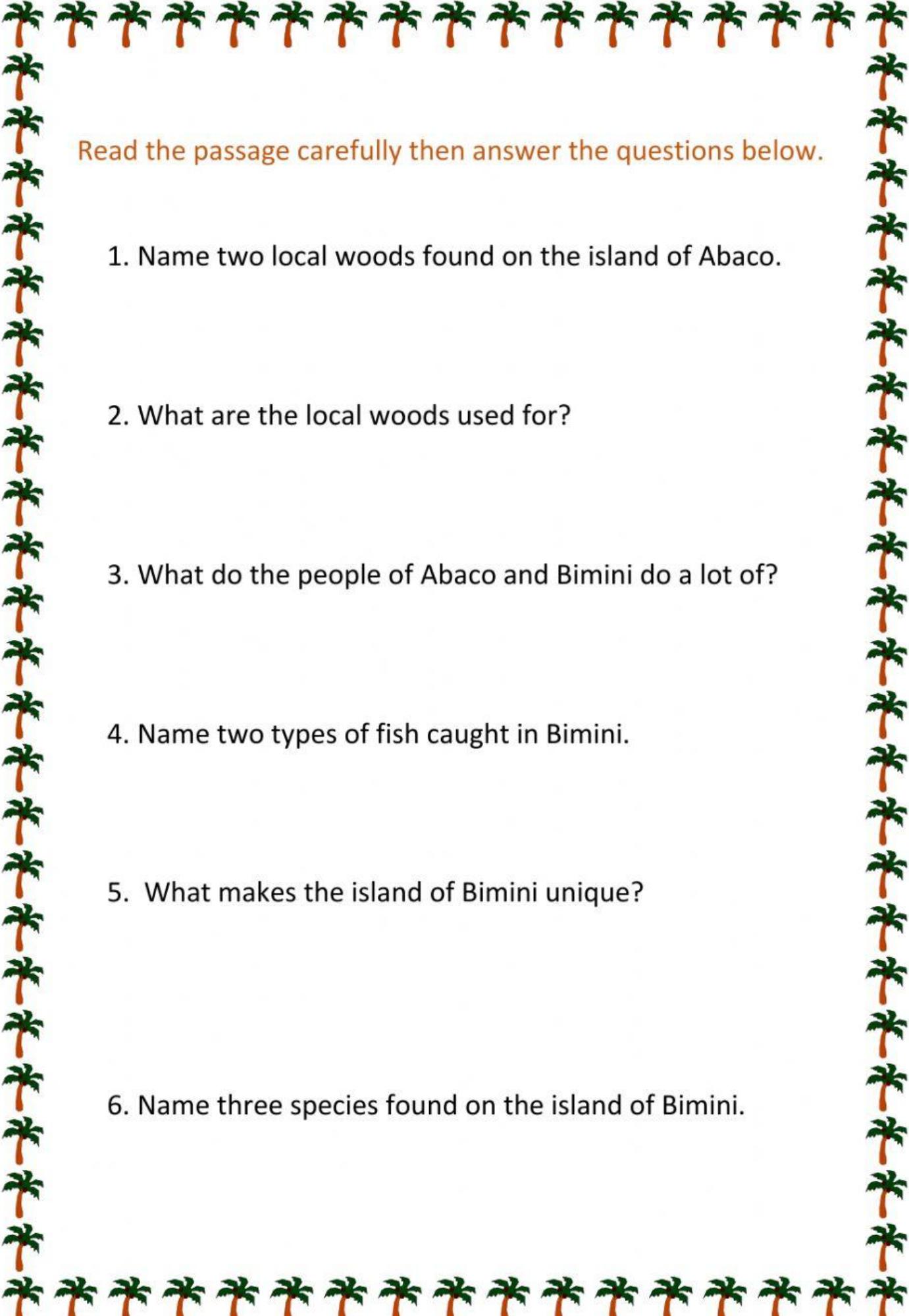
An ecosystem is all the living things which includes plants and animals that are living with in a certain area. Abaco and Bimini have their own unique ecosystem.

Abaco is the second largest island in The Bahamas. Abaco is most famous for boat building. The local woods from Abaco are Mahogany, Dogwood, Horseflesh and Corkwood are trees used in boat building. Abaco is also famous for fishing. Nets are used to fish. The people there go out to sea to fish. The people of Abaco are also farmers. Some crops grown there are limes, oranges, and grapefruits. They also grow a large variety of vegetables.

Like the people of Abaco, the people of Bimini also do a lot of fishing. Bimini is famous for deep fishing. Fish such as tuna, grouper, snapper, wahoo, and blue marlin are caught.

Bimini is known for an array of rare plant and animal life. Mangroves are popular on the island of Bimini. This is the only mangrove habitat on the entire western Great Bahama bank. The Mangrove forests of Bimini is a unique ecosystem but rarely gets attention it deserves. Bimini mangroves are a home to many important island species, including lobster, conch, sharks, Bimini Boa (snake) and endangered small tooth sawfish.





Read the passage carefully then answer the questions below.

1. Name two local woods found on the island of Abaco.

2. What are the local woods used for?

3. What do the people of Abaco and Bimini do a lot of?

4. Name two types of fish caught in Bimini.

5. What makes the island of Bimini unique?

6. Name three species found on the island of Bimini.