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Task 1. Complete the passage with words from the box.

unknown	twice	wonders	regarded
formations	attempt	capacity	measurements

With (1)_____ of over 200 meters (656 feet) wide and 150 meters (492 feet) high as well as a length of 9 kilometers (5.6 miles), Son Doong Cave is the largest cave in the world.

Before 2009, Malaysia's Deer Cave was (2)_____ as the largest cave in the world until a group of scientists from the British Cave Research Association explored and studied the Son Doong Cave finding it was in fact over (3)_____ the size of Deer Cave.

Named by BBC News, the "most beautiful cave on the globe" makes this one of the great natural (4)_____ of Asia. It is a mountain river cave featuring a fast flowing subterranean river. Son Doong Cave is mostly comprised of limestone that has over time shaped into some of the tallest stalagmite (5)_____ in the world. Within Son Doong Cave visitors will find it is so big that it contains its own jungle and river and has the (6)_____ to be able to fit a 40-story skyscraper inside. The source of the river still remains (7)_____ to this day with future plans of the British Cave Research Association to return soon and (8)_____ to solve the many mysteries this cave holds.

Task 2. Read the text carefully, then choose the correct answers.

After only 50 minute flying from Ho Chi Minh City, you will set foot on the tropical paradise of Vietnam and the world: Phu Quoc Island.

The island has a roughly triangular shape with a north-south length of 50km and a west-east width of 25km. A great part of the terrain is filled with beautiful sandy beaches, but there is a mountainous region with 99 peaks, among which the Peak of Chua Mountain is the tallest one at 603 meters. Due to Phu Quoc's location in the Gulf of Thailand, its climate is sub-equatorial with a temperate weather all year round, making trips to Phu Quoc possible any time in the year. However, the best time to travel to this island is during the dry season, from November until March, when the sky is blue and clear and the rains are away.

Phu Quoc is most famous for its the cuisines and a natural wonderful coastline. The most famous food of Phu Quoc is fish sauce, which has become quite popular all over Vietnam and the world. Besides, another thing worth trying there is the spicy yet interesting black pepper. However, the factor that will definitely intrigue you to visit Phu Quoc is its untouched coastline featuring several heavenly beaches. They have yet to be explored to their full ability, but this fact might be actually positive as it gives the shores a romantic beauty that you can find in nowhere else in the world.

1. What is Phu Quoc Island regarded as?

   a. Pearl of the Orient b. Tropical Paradise

   c. City of Eternal Spring d. Lanterns Paradise

2. According to the passage, Phu Quoc Island _____.

   a. has both beaches and mountains b. doesn't have much tourist attraction

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c. has the tallest mountain in Vietnam d. doesn't have rains all the year round

3. Tourists can visit Phu Quoc anytime in the year thanks to _____.

a. its location by the sea b. its friendly local people

c. its temperate climate d. its dry season

4. What are Phu Quoc's specialities?

a. red pepper and fish sauce b. black pepper and dried fish

c. red pepper and soya sauce d. spicy black pepper and fish sauce

5. The word "intrigue" has the closest meaning to _____.

a. attract b. promote c. inspire d. pay attention to

6. Which of the following statements is NOT true?

a. Phu Quoc Island is located in the Gulf of Thailand.

b. The beaches in Phu Quoc Island have been explored to their full potentials.

c. Phu Quoc's dry season begins from November and lasts through March.

d. The island is roughly triangular in shape.

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