UNIT 11: NATIONAL PARKS

Read the following passage on transport, and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

In the United States and its territories alone, there are more than 40 national parks, varying considerably in landscape and mood. Each park was chosen for its unique features, representative of a particular region of the country. Everglades National Park, for example, at the southern tip of Florida, is a huge subtropical swamp, which provides refuge for such unusual reptiles as the alligators and for thousands of varieties of birds, including the graceful pink flamingo. In sharp contrast to the Everglades are the arid, dusty parks of the West. Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado, for example, preserves the ruins of an Indian civilization which flourished in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. Today, tourists can wander through the awesome cliff dwellings that the Indians carved out of the steep rock.

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1. What is the main idea of the passage?

A. The large number of nation parks.

B. National parks as a wildlife refuge.

C. The diversity of the national parks.

D. The differences between Mesa Verde National Park and the Everglades.

2. According to the passage, national parks in the US _____

A. are a lot different from each other.

B. change a lot in landscape and mood.

C. are made more interesting.

D. are completely different from other parks in the world.

3. Everglades National Park is _____

A. in the south of the United States. B. home talligators and many varieties of birds.

C. an area of land that is full of water. D. All are correct.

4. The word "which" in the passage refers to _____.

A. Mesa Verde National Park B. ruins

C. Indian D. civilization

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5. The word "awesome" in the last sentence is closest in meaning to

A. terrific B. horrible C. terrible D. dangerous

6. Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE?

A. Every national park in the US has its special features.

B. Everglades Park has a cold climate.

C. The ruins of an Indian civilization are being preserved.

D. Some of the dwellings in Mesa Verde are accessible only by ladder.

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