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3 **The Biggest Country**

There are a lot of countries in the world. There are almost two hundred. Some countries are big. Others are small. Some countries have a lot of people. Others have only a few people.

What is the biggest country? The biggest country is Russia. No other country in the world is as big as Russia. What country has the most people? China has the most people.

Russia is bigger. Almost two Chinas could fit in Russia. Why don't more people live in Russia? Not all land is good to live on. Many parts of Russia are very cold. People need to live where they can get enough food. They need to find work. They need to be able to make a living.

Find the Answers

1. What answer might be the number of countries in the world?

a. 95
b. 195
c. 295
d. 395

2. What answer is true?

a. More people live in China than Russia.
b. More people live in Russia than China.
c. There is less land in Russia than China.
d. There is more land in China than Russia.

3. From the story, you can tell that people must

a. be warm.
b. have lots of land.
c. not live where it is cold.
d. be able to get enough food.

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4 From Not Real to Real

Every year, there is a contest. It is a jumping contest. It is not for people. It is for frogs! The contest is held in California. It is held in Calaveras County.

People bring frogs from all over. Bullfrogs are the frog of choice. Frogs have to jump far to win. How far do they have to jump? One frog was named Rosie. Rosie jumped over twenty-one feet!



How did people come up with such a strange contest? It came from a short story! The story was written by Mark Twain. Twain wrote the story in 1865. It is fiction. It is a **tall tale** about life in a gold rush town. He called it "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County." The story was fiction, but today the contest is real!

Find the Answers

1. A **tall tale** is

a. real.
b. fiction.
c. a contest.
d. not for people.

2. What statement is true?

a. The story was written in 1860.
b. The story was written about Nevada.
c. The story was written by Rosie Twain.
d. The story was written about a gold rush town.

3. Another title for this story might be

a. "Jumping Contest."
b. "All About Frogs."
c. "The Farthest Jump."
d. "Tall Tales from the Gold Rush."

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