

Reading Explorer 4, Third Edition      Extra Comprehension Questions

## Reading 11A: Saving Water

**Choose the best answer for each question.**

## DETAIL

1. The number of official wells in La Mancha increased by \_\_\_\_\_ between 1960 and the present.

- a. 1,500
- b. 19,500
- c. 21,000
- d. 48,500

## COHESION

2. In which position—[1], [2], [3], or [4]—should this sentence be added to paragraph D?

*Children are particularly susceptible to diseases spread by drinking or cooking with contaminated water, with about 5,000 children dying each day from preventable waterborne diseases.*

The United Nations recently outlined the extent of the water crisis. [1] Due to water scarcity, 5 billion people will face severe water shortages by 2050 if consumption continues at current rates. [2] Today, lack of access to clean water means that an estimated 2.1 billion people drink water that is unsafe. [3] More than 3 million people die each year from diseases related to unclean water. [4]

## DETAIL

3. Rajendra Singh offers to \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. help locate a good site for the dam      c. make advice and materials available  
b. provide workers to build the *johad*      d. arrange one-third of the project

## VOCABULARY

## DETAIL

5. Which of the following is NOT one of the steps Neil Macleod took to ease the water crisis in Durban, South Africa?

- a. installing smaller toilets
- b. recycling waste water
- c. building a new dam
- d. fixing water pipes