

GRAMMAR SUPPLEMENTARY

LEVEL: LITTLE MASTER 7

Vocabulary Practice

Match the word with the correct sentence.

1. It is _____ that elephants have four legs. flapping
2. We can _____ the length of the new fence. measure
3. Your _____ is how heavy you are. feathers
4. I _____ can my feelings when I write a poem. objects
5. I _____ this backpack was mine because it had my name on it. proved
6. We watched the baby bird _____ its wings as it tried to fly. true
7. I _____ and follow our classroom rules. force
8. The batter made an _____ hit and we won the ball game. amazing
9. Bright red _____ covered the bird's body. weight
10. She left a pencil and two other _____ on the table. express
11. An airplane can travel at a faster _____ than a train. speed
12. Today, we learned about the _____ of gravity. behave

Reading Practice

Read the article "Flowing Rivers" before answering
Numbers 6 through 10.

Flowing Rivers

Have you ever seen a river? A river is water that flows across land. Moving water is a strong force. Rivers affect the earth and people in many ways.

Water runs downhill. It gets pulled by gravity. A river may start high on a mountain. Snow melts, and drops of water form. The water runs down. Streams of water meet. They form bigger streams. Soon, there is a rushing river.

At its beginning, a river can be as narrow as a rope. Further down, rivers can become big. A river can be as wide as a town. But rivers are always moving.

Where do rivers go? Almost all rivers go to the ocean. How can this be? Imagine standing on a hill. You dump a bucket of water. The water will flow downhill. That is how rivers work. Land is higher than the oceans. Water flows down to the oceans.

Rivers change the land. Rivers carry away rocks. The rocks scrape away more rocks. They can cause big changes. Rivers can carve away the sides of mountains. Rivers are like powerful sandpaper.

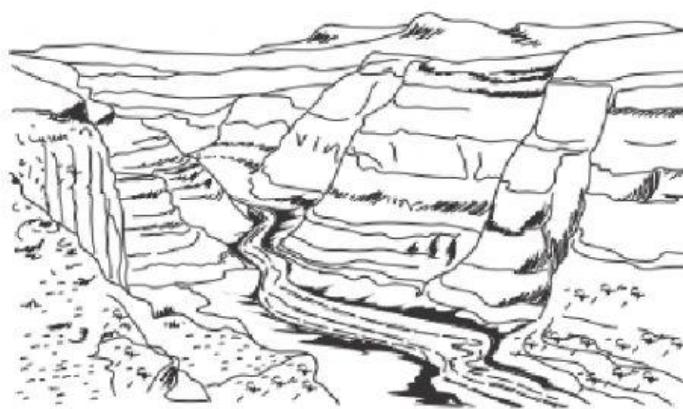
Rivers also carry soil. It flows to the ocean. Then it piles up the soil. The soil forms land called a delta. Sometimes people build a city on a delta.

Many towns and cities were built next to rivers. People may drink the water. It helps to grow food on farms. Fish live in rivers. Some of the fish we eat come from rivers.

Boats carry things from one place to another on rivers. People also travel on rivers.

People have fun on rivers, too. They go boating and swimming in rivers. Some people just enjoy the view. They like to watch the water move.

Rivers are powerful and important. They affect the earth and people in many ways.



The Colorado River carved out the Grand Canyon.

Now answer Numbers 6 through 10. Base your answers on "Flowing Rivers."

6 Tell why the author wrote "Flowing Rivers." Choose an answer from the box. Write it in the chart.

To give information

To tell a story

To tell how to do something

7 Read the sentence from the article.

At its beginning, a river can be as narrow as a rope.

Why does the author compare a river to a rope?

- (A) to show how rivers are long
- (B) to show how water runs down
- (C) to show how small a river may be
- (D) to show how a river starts on a rope

8 This question has two parts. First, answer part A. Then, answer part B.

Part A: Why did the author write the article?

- (A) to tell how rivers affect us
- (B) to tell how rivers carry rocks
- (C) to tell about one type of river
- (D) to tell how rivers flow to the sea

Part B: Which sentence from the text helps to show why the author wrote the article?

- (A) Have you ever seen a river?
- (B) Rivers affect the earth and people in many ways.
- (C) A river may start high on a mountain.
- (D) Boats carry things from one place to another on rivers.

9 Read the sentences from the article.

Rivers can carve away the sides of mountains. Rivers are like powerful sandpaper.

What are rivers compared to?

- (A) things that carve
- (B) powerful sandpaper
- (C) different types of sand
- (D) the sides of mountains

10 Which sentence from the article tells how rivers help us?

- (A) Snow melts, and drops of water form.
- (B) Almost all rivers go to the ocean.
- (C) Some of the fish we eat come from rivers.
- (D) Rivers are powerful and important.