

**Reading Explorer 5, Third Edition  
Extra Comprehension Questions**

**Reading 6A: Quicksilver**

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

**VOCABULARY**

1. The phrase *cutting-edge* in paragraph B is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. powerful  
b. unique  
c. streamlined  
d. sophisticated

**INFERENCE**

2. The Iron Age fishermen mentioned in paragraph C watched for \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. Atlantic bluefin  
b. Pacific bluefin  
c. southern bluefin  
d. tuna, but not bluefin

**DETAIL**

3. The largest bluefin tunas are found in the seas near \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. Japan  
b. Canada  
c. the Pacific Northwest  
d. Spain

**DETAIL**

4. What does the author say about the satellite tags that are attached to some bluefin tunas?  
a. They constantly broadcast data.  
b. They are painful to attach.  
c. They will come off in nine months.  
d. They take a long time to install.

**VOCABULARY**

5. The term *spawning grounds* (paragraphs C and M) refers to places where the bluefin tunas \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. mate  
b. release eggs  
c. feed  
d. hunt their prey