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The Loch Ness Monster (1) \_\_\_\_\_ thought to be one of the world's most famous mysteries. Nessie, as her fans call her, is believed (2) \_\_\_\_\_ be living in the Scottish loch (lake) Ness. Scientists as well as ordinary people (3) \_\_\_\_\_ fascinated by the mystery of the existence of a very large living creature which (4) \_\_\_\_\_ still unknown to science. However, it is very unlikely for an animal to (5) \_\_\_\_\_ living in Loch Ness, as it is deep, dark, very cold and almost lifeless.

Arthur Grant is alleged to (6) \_\_\_\_\_ encountered Nessie on January 5th, 1934. Being a veterinary student himself, he gave a detailed description of the animal which matched the portrait of a plesiosaur- a prehistoric aquatic reptile which had (7) \_\_\_\_\_ considered extinct for more than sixty million years.

Nevertheless, many sonar and photographic recordings (8) \_\_\_\_\_ been obtained (9) \_\_\_\_\_ several scientific teams over the years. Unfortunately, none of them could (10) \_\_\_\_\_ used to provide any form of evidence that Nessie exists.

Long-necked water monsters are (11) \_\_\_\_\_ detected every now and then in several other Scottish lochs. For this reason, Scotland has become a popular holiday destination and (12) \_\_\_\_\_ visited by millions of tourists every year.