DAILY Warm-Up 15

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THE JELLYFISH

Jellyfish are animals that live in water. Some jellyfish can live in fresh water, but most live in the ocean. The jellyfish is a mysterious animal. The jellyfish has a long body with long tentacles. These long tentacles are poisonous, and they sting. Some of the deadlier jellyfish have venom that can kill a human. The sunfish and the sea turtle eat the jellyfish and can do so without being harmed. The jellyfish eats mainly zooplankton and small shrimp in the ocean.

The jellyfish is made up of mostly water. In fact, 98% of the jellyfish is water. The smallest jellyfish are just a few inches long, while the largest jellyfish can be up to three feet long. The jellyfish gets its name from the jelly-like feel of the body.

Their jelly-like bodies are clear or sometimes have a pale coloring of blue, orange, brown, white, or pink. Some jellyfish may also come in other colors of deep yellow, deep blue, bright purple, pale lilac, bright orange, and deep red. If disturbed at night, some jellyfish give off a bright light. This makes them look like they glow in the dark.

STORY QUESTIONS

1. Why does the author say that jellyfish are mysterious animals?
   a. They eat zooplankton.
   b. They are related to the sea anemone.
   c. They have unique bodies and they have a harmful sting.
   d. They are made up of mostly water.

2. What is the main idea of the second paragraph?
   a. the diet of the jellyfish
   b. the enemies of the jellyfish
   c. the color of the jellyfish
   d. the makeup of the jellyfish

3. What is the meaning of the word *disturbed* in the third paragraph?
   a. settled
   b. unconcerned
   c. bothered
   d. mentally unsettled

4. Most jellyfish live in the ocean, but where are some jellyfish found?
   a. in fresh water
   b. in the Indian Ocean
   c. in the sea
   d. in Niagara Falls

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