

# MOUNT FUJI

**Read the text and choose the correct word.**

For the Japanese, Mount Fuji has long been the ultimate (0)\_\_\_\_\_ of beauty. It is incredibly beautiful when see from any (1)\_\_\_\_\_, at all times of day and in any season. But the mountain does not only (2)\_\_\_\_\_ a major part in the landscape - it has also inspired poets and artists for centuries and has come to be (3)\_\_\_\_\_ with Japan itself. From the tope, the sides of the mountain (4)\_\_\_\_\_ away, then flatten out before reaching the ground. Here, at ground (5)\_\_\_\_\_, the foot of the mountain (6)\_\_\_\_\_ an almost perfect circle.

To the north of Mountain Fuji (7)\_\_\_\_\_ the famous "Five Lakes". The lakeside area is a sea of color in spring, when the fruit trees are flowering, and it also a stunning (8)\_\_\_\_\_ in autumn, when the leaves (9)\_\_\_\_\_ first brilliant red, then many shades of brown. (10)\_\_\_\_\_, many of the best views of Mount Fuji are from these lakes, whose still waters reflect the mountain's beautifully symmetrical outline like a mirror. Both Mount Fuji and its lakes are volcanic in (11)\_\_\_\_\_, and that is probably why traditional stories say that Mount Fuji appeared overnight; and, for the same reason, it may one day (12)\_\_\_\_\_ just as suddenly!

