PASSAGE 14

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Kobe is a major commercial port city in Japan. It is situated in the Southwest of Honshu Island, on Osaka Bay, near the city of Osaka. Local agricultural production includes rice and other grains, fruits and vegetables, and tea. Shipbuilding and production of rubber goods are of primary importance to the city. Chemicals, machinery, electrical equipment, textiles, refined sugar, flour and sake are also produced here. Behind the narrow coastal site of the city are the Rokko Mountains, on which there are hot springs and suburban residences and hotels. The city did not become important until the 1860s, when Japan was opened to foreign trade.

On January 17, 1995, a terrible earthquake struck Kobe. **It** was the deadliest earthquake to hit Japan since 1923. The quake caused buildings and bridges to collapse, and fires broke out throughout the city. In all, about 5,000 people were killed and more than 21,000 people were injured. More than 30,000 buildings were damaged by the quake and hundreds of thousands of people were left homeless.

Question 1: Which of the following industries is NOT mentioned as important production in Kobe?

A. Shipbuilding B. Rubber goods C. Electricity D. Textiles

Question 2: According to the passage, Kobe became a significant commercial city _____.

A. After the 1995 earthquake

B. When Japan opened to foreign trade in the 1860s

C. After the Rokko Mountains were developed for tourism

D. Due to its agricultural production in the 1700s

Question 3: How many buildings were damaged in the Kobe earthquake?

A. Hundreds of thousands B. About 21,000

C. Over 30,000 D. About 5,000

Question 4: The word "**It**" in the second paragraph refers to _____.

A. Kobe B. The earthquake C. Japan D. January

Question 5: What can be inferred from the passage?

A. Kobe has been a long-standing port since 16th century

B. Rokko Mountains is the most attractive scenery in Kobe

C. The 1995 earthquake was the deadliest in Japan history

D. The city's main industries include shipbuilding.

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