SKILLS EXTRA

1 read the information page about bears in a national park in the USA. Then write T (true), F (false) or DS (text doesn't say) next to each sentence.

BEAR COUNTRY

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INFO: Welcome to our park! It is one of the biggest parks in the area and you can see many animals here. Some animals are quite timid and hide when they see or smell people. Others sometimes want to find out more about you. Usually the animals won't attack, but bears can be more dangerous than other animals. Here are some tips for a safe visit.

TIPS:

- Bears do not usually like to be near people, so hike in groups. Groups of people are noisier and smellier than one person. Talk or sing so that the bears will know you are there.
- If a bear comes near you, speak to it quietly and do not move suddenly. It's possible it is just curious and will leave.
- Do not run – a bear is faster than most people think.
- Do not climb a tree – both black bears and brown bears can climb trees.
- Remember – bears are hardly ever aggressive, so try to stay calm.

1. This park is the largest in the area.
2. Bears are sometimes dangerous.
3. Bears are noisy. .....
4. A bear sometimes comes near because it wants to know more about you.
5. Most bears will attack when they see you.

2 Complete the sentences according to the text.

1. Some animals are afraid of people, so ... .
2. When you make noise in the park, the bears ..... .
3. Most people don't think that a bear can ..... .
4. Climbing a tree will not help you because .
5. You should be calm because bears are usually not ..... .

DID YOU KNOW?

There are eight different kinds of bears. Brown bears are the most common and they still live in northern and central Greece. Bears are very intelligent animals and can see, hear and smell very well. Their navigation skills are much better than those of humans. They have also got excellent memories – some bears can even remember where they found a certain type of food that they ate ten years after they ate it.

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