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The Great Barrier Reef: A Living Wonder

The Great Barrier Reef is the largest coral reef system in the world. It stretches for more than 2,300 kilometers along the northeastern coast of Australia, in the Coral Sea. The reef is so big that it can be seen from outer space. It is made up of nearly 3,000 individual reefs and 900 islands, which together form one of the most complex ecosystems on Earth.

The reef is home to an incredible variety of marine life. Scientists have recorded about 1,500 species of fish, 400 types of coral, and thousands of other creatures such as sea turtles, dolphins, and sharks. Many of these animals cannot be found anywhere else in the world. Because of this rich biodiversity, the Great Barrier Reef was named a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1981.

The reef was formed over millions of years by tiny animals called coral polyps. These small creatures build hard skeletons made of calcium carbonate. When thousands of polyps grow together, they create the colorful coral structures that make up the reef. Some coral colonies are more than 500 years old.

Unfortunately, the Great Barrier Reef is facing serious threats today. Rising sea temperatures caused by climate change have led to coral bleaching, a process in which corals lose their color and can eventually die. Pollution, overfishing, and coastal development have also damaged parts of the reef. Many scientists believe that protecting the reef is one of the most urgent environmental challenges of our time.

Despite these challenges, the Great Barrier Reef remains one of the most breathtaking natural wonders on the planet. Every year, millions of tourists travel to Australia just to see its beauty with their own eyes. For many visitors, snorkeling or diving in the reef is an experience they will never forget. In my opinion, the reef is truly one of the most amazing places nature has ever created, and everyone should try to protect it for future generations.

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1 **According to the text, in which year was the Great Barrier Reef named a UNESCO World Heritage Site?**

- **A.** 1981
- **B.** more than 2,300 kilometers
- **C.** nearly 3,000 individual reefs
- **D.** 900 islands
- **E.** 500 years old

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2 **Which outline best represents the main points of the text, in the correct order?**

- **A.** I. Formation process II. Threats facing the reef III. Marine biodiversity IV. Location and size V. Conclusion
- **B.** I. Location and size II. Marine biodiversity and UNESCO status III. Tourism industry IV. Threats facing the reef V. Conclusion
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TEXT 1 — SOAL NO. 3

3 **Which of the following additional facts, if added to the text, would make it more informative and persuasive about the importance of protecting the Great Barrier Reef?**

Choose more than one answer!

- **A.** The reef contributes billions of dollars to Australia's economy every year through tourism.
- **B.** Coral reefs cover less than 1% of the ocean floor but support about 25% of all marine species.
- **C.** Australia's national anthem was officially adopted in 1984.
- **D.** The Coral Sea is located closer to Asia than to Europe.

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TEXT 1 — SOAL NO. 4

4 **What is the main idea of the text?**

- **A.** The Great Barrier Reef is the largest coral reef in the world.
- **B.** Coral polyps are tiny animals that build reefs over millions of years.
- **C.** Climate change is the only cause of coral bleaching.
- **D.** The Great Barrier Reef is a stunning and biologically diverse natural wonder that faces serious environmental threats and needs protection.
- **E.** Tourists visit Australia mainly to see kangaroos and koalas.

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TEXT 1 — SOAL NO. 5

5 **Read the following statements taken from the text. Decide whether each statement is a FACT or an OPINION.**

PERNYATAAN	FACT	OPINION
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2. "The reef is truly one of the most amazing places nature has ever created."		
3. "Rising sea temperatures caused by climate change have led to coral bleaching."		

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The festival opens with a colorful parade. Volunteers carry the flags of every participating country while a large band plays music from around the world. After the parade, the mayor gives a short speech about the importance of understanding other cultures.

One of the most popular parts of the festival is the food area. Visitors can walk between rows of stalls and taste dishes from Mexico, Japan, Italy, Ethiopia, and many other countries. The smell of spices and fresh bread fills the air, and long lines form in front of the most famous stalls. With colorful decorations, live music, and delicious smells everywhere, the food area is truly a feast for the senses. Many people say that trying new food is their favorite way to learn about a culture.

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For visitors who want to do something with their hands, the craft corner offers workshops almost every hour. Here, people can learn to fold paper lanterns, paint wooden masks, or write their name in different alphabets. These activities are especially popular with families and school groups.

The festival closes on Sunday night with large fireworks show above the river. For many visitors, the World Culture Festival is more than just a fun weekend; it is a chance to celebrate the differences that make the world a rich and interesting place. Organizers hope the festival will keep growing and continue teaching people about cultures they might never otherwise experience. Every year, new countries and community groups ask to join, showing how much the local community values this celebration of diversity.

TEXT 2 — SOAL NO. 6

6 **Which of the following statements correctly summarize information from the text?**

Choose more than one answer.

- **A.** The World Culture Festival takes place over three days every October in Riverside City.
- **B.** The festival started only five years ago with support from the national government.
- **C.** Visitors can taste food from many different countries at the festival's food stalls.
- **D.** The festival includes traditional dance performances from countries such as Spain and China.

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TEXT 2 — SOAL NO. 7

7 **Classify each activity below into the correct category, based on the passage:**

PERNYATAAN	PARTICIPATE	NOT PARTICIPATE
1. Tasting dishes from Mexico, Japan, and Italy at the food stalls.		
2. Watching drummers from West Africa perform on the main stage.		
3. Folding a paper lantern at the craft corner.		

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TEXT 2 — SOAL NO. 8

8 **In paragraph 3, the text describes the food area as “a feast for the senses.” What does this phrase most likely mean?**

- **A.** An event that costs a lot of money to attend.
- **B.** A place where visitors can buy expensive food.
- **C.** An experience that pleasingly engages sight, smell, and taste.
- **D.** A large meal that is only served once a year.
- **E.** A performance that lasts for several hours without a break.

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TEXT 2 — SOAL NO. 9

9 **What is the author's main purpose in writing this text?**

- **A.** To criticize how the festival organizers spend their money.
- **B.** To compare the World Culture Festival with similar festivals in other cities.
- **C.** To give step-by-step instructions on how to organize a cultural festival.
- **D.** To describe the festival's activities and show why the community values it.
- **E.** To warn readers about the crowds and difficulties of attending the festival.

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TEXT 2 — SOAL NO. 10

10 **Which of the following reactions are reasonable responses a reader might have after reading this text?**

Choose more than one answer.

- **A.** A reader might feel excited about the variety of food and performances described.
- **B.** A reader might feel bored because the text only describes a single, unchanging activity.
- **C.** A reader might feel curious about trying the different traditional dances mentioned.
- **D.** A reader might feel encouraged to visit or learn more about other cultures after reading this text.

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The waterfall was named after Jimmie Angel, an American pilot who flew over the falls in 1933 and later crash-landed his small airplane on top of the tepui in 1937. Although the Pemón people had known about the waterfall for centuries and called it Kerepakupai Vená, meaning "waterfall of the deepest place," Angel's flight made the site famous around the world.

Reaching Angel Falls is not easy. Visitors must first fly to a small nearby town, then travel by canoe along rivers for several hours, and finally hike through the rainforest to reach a viewpoint. Because the area receives heavy rainfall for much of the year, the falls are most powerful and dramatic between June and November. During the drier months, the water flow can become much thinner, and sometimes the falling water turns into mist before it even reaches the ground below.

The surrounding rainforest is rich with plants and animals found nowhere else on Earth, including rare orchids, colorful birds, and unique amphibians that have adapted to life on the isolated tepui. Because the tepuis have been separated from the surrounding land for millions of years, scientists study them to understand how isolated ecosystems evolve differently over time.

Today, Angel Falls attracts adventurous travelers, photographers, and nature researchers from around the world. Tour companies organize expeditions for those willing to make the difficult journey. Despite the challenges of reaching it, many visitors say that seeing the enormous wall of water plunge from the clouds above is one of the most unforgettable natural sights they have ever experienced.

TEXT 3 — SOAL NO. 11

11 **Based on the text, Jimmie Angel is best classified as which type of person?**

- **A.** An indigenous Pemón guide
- **B.** A modern-day photographer
- **C.** An American pilot and explorer
- **D.** A rainforest scientist
- **E.** A tour company organizer

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TEXT 3 — SOAL NO. 12

12 **According to the text, what is the height of Angel Falls?**

- **A.** 100 meters
- **B.** 400 meters
- **C.** 979 meters
- **D.** 1,933 meters
- **E.** 15 meters

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TEXT 3 — SOAL NO. 13

13 **Based on the content and the way the text is written, who is this text most likely intended for?**

Choose more than one answer.

- **A.** General readers who are curious about famous natural landmarks
- **B.** Professional geologists who need detailed data on tepui rock composition
- **C.** Travelers or students seeking a general introduction to a famous natural wonder
- **D.** Airline pilots who need flight navigation instructions for the region

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TEXT 3 — SOAL NO. 14

14 **Based on the text, why does the water flow of Angel Falls become thinner during certain months?**

- **A.** Because fewer tourists visit the waterfall at that time
- **B.** Because the area receives less rainfall during the drier months
- **C.** Because the Pemón people redirect the river water
- **D.** Because the Auyán-tepui mountain becomes smaller
- **E.** Because rainforest animals block part of the water flow

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Angel Falls: The World's Tallest Waterfall

Angel Falls, located in Canaima National Park in Venezuela, is the tallest waterfall in the world. It drops from a height of 979 meters, which is more than fifteen times taller than Niagara Falls. The water falls from the top of a huge, flat-topped mountain called Auyán-tepui, a name that means "Devil's Mountain" in the language of the indigenous Pemón people.

The waterfall was named after Jimmie Angel, an American pilot who flew over the falls in 1933 and later crash-landed his small airplane on top of the tepui in 1937. Although the Pemón people had known about the waterfall for centuries and called it Kerepakupai Vená, meaning "waterfall of the deepest place," Angel's flight made the site famous around the world.

Reaching Angel Falls is not easy. Visitors must first fly to a small nearby town, then travel by canoe along rivers for several hours, and finally hike through the rainforest to reach a viewpoint. Because the area receives heavy rainfall for much of the year, the falls are most powerful and dramatic between June and November. During the drier months, the water flow can become much thinner, and sometimes the falling water turns into mist before it even reaches the ground below.

The surrounding rainforest is rich with plants and animals found nowhere else on Earth, including rare orchids, colorful birds, and unique amphibians that have adapted to life on the isolated tepui. Because the tepuis have been separated from the surrounding land for millions of years, scientists study them to understand how isolated ecosystems evolve differently over time.

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TEXT 3 — SOAL NO. 15

15 **Read the following statements. Decide whether each statement is REALISTIC (could happen in real life) or FANTASY (not realistic), based on the text and your own knowledge.**

PERNYATAAN	REALISTIC	FANTASY
1. Angel Falls drops from the top of a tall, flat-topped mountain called a tepui.		
2. The Auyán-tepui mountain can lift off the ground and fly, just like Jimmie Angel's airplane.		
3. Heavy rainfall makes the waterfall more powerful during certain months of the year.		

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