

## The Swamp People of Louisiana

### Pre – Watching

- Match the words to form collocations

stilt	extinct
rotten	widely
slow	pace
become	house
spin	meat

- Label the pictures

marsh reptiles shrimp refugees okra



### While – Watching

- Choose the correct option

- Atchafalaya Swamp is ... of Louisiana, USA
  - deep west
  - up north
  - down south
- It is hard to live in Atchafalaya Swamp, but NOT because of ...
  - moisture
  - isolation
  - wild life
- The swamp people have lived a *laid-back* life along the river. What does “laid-back” means?
  - tough
  - relaxed
  - full of challenges
- The predators of Cajuns were ...
  - Canadians
  - French
  - American
- The ancestors of Cajuns moved to the swamp ...
  - 300 years ago
  - 1,5 million years ago
  - 3 centuries ago
- The hunting season lasts ...



- a) the whole month                      b) the whole autumn                      c) the whole spring
7. What do hunters use to attract alligators while hunting?  
a) ripen okra                      b) rotten meat                      c) black-eyed peas
8. The staple diet of the swamp people does NOT include ...  
a) okra and black-eyed peas                      b) turtles and alligators                      c) lizards and snakes
9. Troy Laundry is a very cruel hunter and once killed 82 alligators in one day.  
a) true                      b) false                      c) doesn't say
10. There is a strict regulation for a number hunted animals.  
a) true                      b) false                      c) doesn't say
11. What happened in the 1920s?  
Cajuns refused to work with authorities  
People had to take measures to save alligators  
Troy Laundry set the world record
12. Which statement is true?  
a) Cajuns must look for other ways of making money because skins don't cost much.  
b) Cajuns must look for other ways of making money because the authorities restrict killing alligators.  
c) Cajuns must look for other ways of making money because alligators get extinct.

### After - Watching

- **Answer the questions**
  - 1) Where is the Atchafalaya Swamp situated?
  - 2) Why is it a difficult place to live? Give two reasons.
  - 3) What have you learnt about the history and way of life of Cajuns?
  - 4) Describe the process of hunting?
  - 5) Is the alligator hunting season legal?
  - 6) Who is Troy Landry?
  - 7) What problems does the community face nowadays?
  - 8) Would you like to live on the swamps of Louisiana? Why? Why not?

- **Make up a story starting**

*"One day I was hunting in the Atchafalaya Swamp. ..."*

