



Spotlight 9

Vocabulary Task 9327

1. Fill in:

specimen life-size hair samples countless mobility native.

1. There have been _____ sightings of Bigfoot over the years.
2. Researchers found _____ of an unknown creature in a cave.
3. Using a needle, scientists took a blood _____ from the creature to study.
4. Some _____ tribes of Central America believe in a monster called 'El Chupacabra'.
5. The museum has got a _____ model of a dinosaur.
6. Scientists believe that Bigfoot moves like an ape with limited _____.

2. Choose the correct word.

1. The monster let out a terrible _____.
2. The forest felt eerie as the hunter _____ into the darkness.
3. She _____ through the keyhole and thought she saw a ghost!
4. As the hunter approached the animal, the angry beast _____ at him.
5. Before starting the experiment, the scientist _____ at her watch.
6. Ben _____ through his telescope at the stars in the sky.

3. Complete the text with the words from the list.

prehistoric secretive legendary sightings sceptics mystification evidence

In Scotland there is a 1 _____ tale of a beast called the Loch Ness Monster that lives in the waters of Loch Ness. To the locals it is simply known as 'Nessie'.

The word 'loch' is Scottish for 'lake'. The loch is very deep and long, which makes it an ideal place for such a shy and 2 _____ creature to hide. There have been many recorded 3 _____ of the monster going back as far as the 6th century. The first photographic 4 _____ was captured in 1934 by Dr Kenneth Wilson, a physician from London.

The picture apparently shows a 5 _____ dinosaur-like beast with a long neck emerging out of the murky waters. The photo created quite a fuss and is still the centre of controversy to this day. Some 6 _____ argue that the photograph is either a 7 _____ or an honest mistake. They believe that what people have seen are seals or otters that are sometimes found in the loch, or even objects such as tree trunks. Whatever lives in the loch, it brings many tourists each year hoping to see it!

