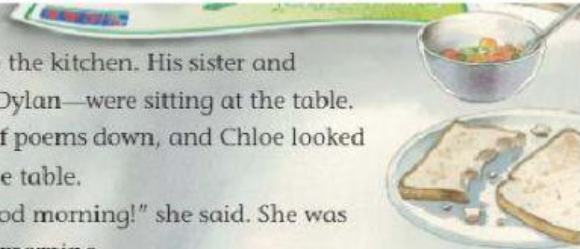


READING



Oliver walked into the kitchen. His sister and brother—Chloe and Dylan—were sitting at the table. Dylan put his book of poems down, and Chloe looked up from a map on the table.

Chloe smiled. “Good morning!” she said. She was always happy in the morning.

“Morning,” Dylan **grumbled**. He was always tired in the morning.

“What are you two doing?” Oliver asked.

“I’m looking at a map of the Lake Guatavita Natural Reserve. Mom said we’re going there today,” Chloe answered.

“And I’m reading a poem about El Dorado,” answered Dylan.

“What’s El Dorado?” Oliver asked.



Chloe thought for a moment and began, “Well, it means ‘golden one.’ When the Spanish conquistadors came here, they heard stories about ‘El Dorado.’ And they thought it was a city of gold, lost in the jungle.”

“Wow! That’s cool!” Oliver said. “Did they ever find the city?”

“No. But later they tried to empty Lake Guatavita because they thought the city of gold was under it!” Chloe said.

“Edgar Allen Poe wrote a poem about El Dorado,” said Dylan, starting to read aloud from his book. “Over the mountains of the moon, down the valley of the shadow...”

“Wait!” said Chloe. “‘Valley of the shadow’ means someone dies, doesn’t it?”

“Sometimes it does, in poems,” answered Dylan.

“Spooky!” said Chloe.

Oliver’s eyes grew wide. He loved adventures.

1. Oliver walked into the...

2. Who wrote the poem about El Dorado?

3. What does "El Dorado" means?

4. I'm looking at the map of...

**CHOOSE THE CORRECT
OPTION**

5. Who was always tried?

a) Oliver

b) Chloe

c) Dylan

6. What is the name of the valley?

a) Valley of the dreams

b) Valley of the shadows

c) Valley of the lights

7. Who is reading the poem?

a) Oliver

b) Chloe

c) Dylan

8. Who loves adventures?

a) Oliver

b) Chloe

c) Dylan

9. Oliver, Dylan and Chloe are...

a) friends

b) cousins

c) brothers and sisters



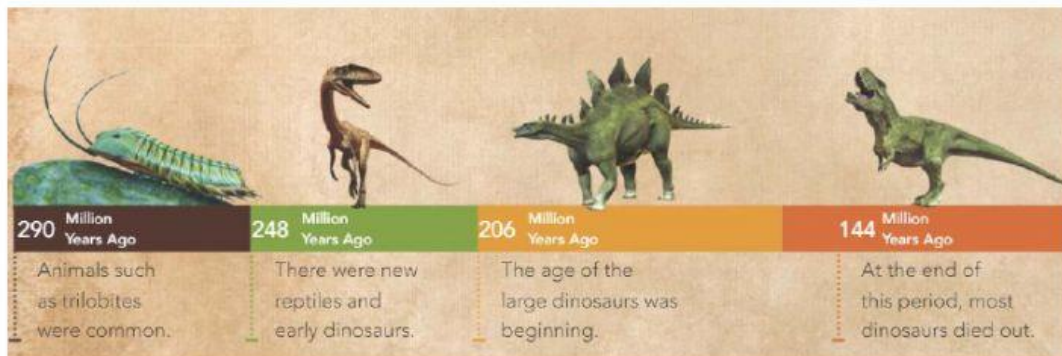
Pangaea

Pangaea was Earth's only continent 250 million years ago. At that time, there were many trilobites and similar animals. When the continents started to move apart, the trilobites were still on them. That's why fossils of these animals are found all over the world!

Pangaea broke apart during the time of the dinosaurs. First, about 200 million years ago, it separated into two continents. One had Europe, Asia and North America. The other had Africa, South America, Australia, Antarctica and India. India was not connected to Asia yet.

Next, these two continents broke apart, piece by piece. By about 80 million years ago, there were seven continents.

Then, about 40 million years ago, India became part of Asia. And finally, by about 35 million years ago, the continents were in the places where they are today. But they are still moving. As you read this, Australia is slowly moving toward Asia. Australia moves north about 7 centimeters each year. That is half as fast as your hair grows!



10. What was the name of Earth's only continent?

11. During what time Pangea broke apart?

12. How many years ago Pangea broke apart?

13. Give hornswoggle a high-five and get an extra point



14. Was India connected with Asia?

15. What does the memory of a human mind consist of?

16. By 80 million years ago, how many continents there were?

17. How many years ago India became part of Asia?

18. How many years ago there were new reptiles and early dinosaurs?

19. What happened 144 million years ago?

20. How many years ago animals such as trilobites were common?

21. What would you do if dinosaurs existed today?

**GOOD
LUCK!**