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Read the text below and answer the questions correctly.

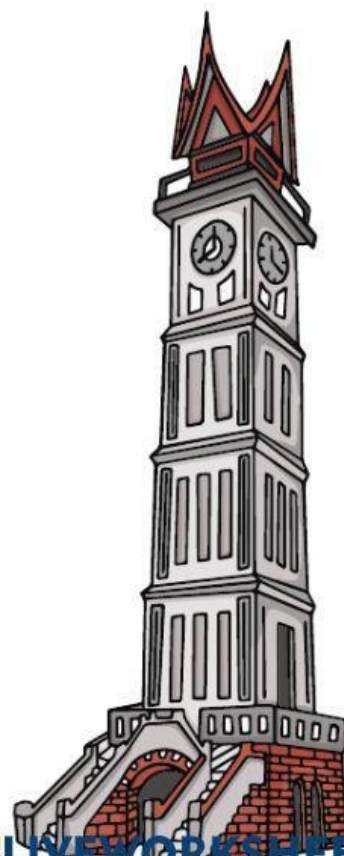
JAM GADANG

West Sumatra is famous for the city of Padang which holds tourist historical buildings, namely the Clock Tower. The Clock Tower is a large clock tower on four sides. In the Minangkabau language, the word "Gadang" means "big". It is locally known as Jam Gadang. The building is located in the city of Bukittinggi. The Jam Gadang Monument stands 26 meters high in the middle of Sabai Nan Aluih Park which is considered a benchmark for the center point (zero point) of Bukittinggi City. The location from the city of Padang is about 72 km, the distance can be reached within 2 hours.

Based on the history of this historic building, the Jam Gadang was built in 1926. Jam Gadang was founded by the Dutch East Indies colonial government on the orders of Queen Wilhelmina who was the Queen of the Netherlands. This clock was a gift for the secretary (controleur) of the City of Bukittinggi (Fort de Kock) who served at the time, HR Rookmaaker. The construction does not use an iron frame and cement, but uses a mixture of limestone, egg white, and sand.

At Jam Gadang, there is uniqueness such as the Jam Gadang Tower Building has 4 levels. The first level is the clerk's room, the second level is the pendulum clock. While on the third level is where the clock machine is located and the fourth level is the top of the tower where the clock bell is placed. The bell above has something to do with the machine that rings at certain hours. The bagonjong-shaped roof at the top of the tower that we can now see is not the original form of the building in its early days. The early design of the Clock Tower crest was in European style, with a statue of a rooster at the top.

1. What is the first paragraph about?
 - a. orientation
 - b. description
 - c. identification
 - d. event
2. Where do you find the description of the parts of Jam Gadang?
 - a. paragraph 1
 - b. paragraph 2
 - c. paragraph 3
 - d. paragraph 2 and 3
3. How old is Jam Gadang?
 - a. twenty six years old
 - b. seventy two years old
 - c. ninety six years old
 - d. one thousand nine hundred twenty six years old
4. Why was Jam Gadang built?
 - a. It was as a punishment.
 - b. It was as a present.
 - c. It was as an announcement.
 - d. It was as a mounument.
5. What is the difference between the form of the buildings in the early days and nowadays?
 - a. the roof
 - b. the pendulum clock
 - c. the clerk's room
 - d. the construction





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Look at the pictures below and write the sentences using the words provided.



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famous

unique

historical

enjoy

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

"A generation which ignores history has no past and no future."

Robert Heinlein, American author (1907-1988)