

PRACTICE 2

Read the text below and choose the best word for each space. For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.

The Loch Ness Mystery

Have you heard of Loch Ness in Scotland? Located (0) _____ the Highlands of Scotland, Loch Ness is one of the largest lakes in the country. Loch Ness is supposed to be the home of (1) _____ infamous Loch Ness Monster (also known as 'Nessie'). Nessie is often described as large, long necked and with one or more humps protruding from the water. It is (2) _____ to be an unknown pre-historic creature, very similar to other supposed monsters in Scotland and different parts of the world.

The (3) _____ Loch Ness monster is said to represent the plesiosaur, a marine reptile that can be (4) _____ all the way back to the first century A.D. and has been in existence for more than 1,500 years. In 1933, a local Scottish newspaper, the *Inverness Courier*, ran an article with an eye-witness account of a couple (5) _____ had seen a big "monster" in Loch Ness. Then in 1934 the story and interest in this 'monster' animal's existence was (6) _____ to the world's attention by Colonel Robert Wilson, a doctor, who claimed to have (7) _____ the creature. The photograph was later considered to be fake.

To date, the actual existence of a monster in Loch Ness has not been proven. Most scientists believe the likelihood of a monster is small and that the monster is only a myth. (8) _____, the Loch Ness Monster remains popular and in spite of all the false reports and sightings, interest in the mystery of Nessie has not subsided. The Loch Ness area is still much (9) _____ about and people from all parts of the world have been visiting Loch Ness to try and catch a (10) _____ of this so-called monster.

- 0 A at
B of
C in
D from

- 1 A -
B a
C an
D the

- 2 A consider
B considers
C considered
D considering

- 3 A unique
B mystical
C legendary
D historical

- 4 A trace
B traces
C traced
D tracing

- 5 A who
B whom

- C that
D which

- 6 A bring
B brings
C brought
D bringing

- 7 A photograph
B photographs
C photographed
D photographing

- 8 A Besides
B Therefore
C Nevertheless
D Furthermore

- 9 A talk
B talks
C talking
D talked

- 10 A peek
B sight
C vision
D glimpse