



Flyers reading part 4

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Read the text. Choose the correct words and write them on the lines.

All of the deserts in Australia are huge. The desert is one of the ¹ **driest** environments in the world. There isn't enough water and ² **creatures** can't live there because it's ³ **hot**. There's a lot of sun on the sand, rocks and stones during the day and this ⁴ **the temperature** go up.



People took camels to Australia two hundred years ⁵ **because** they can live in this environment. They ⁶ **live** without water for several days. Camels are called 'ships of the desert'.

When people ⁷ **in** the desert, they must be very careful. They must take ⁸ **water** with them because it might be a long way to the next town.

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| 1 dry | driest | drier | 5 after | ago | last |
| 2 much | most | lot | 6 can | can't | don't |
| 3 too | enough | more | 7 travels | travel | travelled |
| 4 makes | making | made | 8 too | enough | little |



Christopher Columbus was born ¹ **in** Italy in 1451.

As a young man, Christopher Columbus studied maps and learnt how to ² **sail** a ship. Columbus wanted to go to China and East Asia.

There ³ **wasn't** a sea route around Africa, but he wanted to find a new route that was ⁴ **longer** than the one everyone knew.

He left with three ships on 3rd August, 1492. The journey was very ⁵ **long** and difficult and the sea was very dangerous. On 12th October, 1492, Columbus ⁶ **saw** land. It was a small island. He thought it was the Indies, so he called the people ⁷ **Indians** who lived there. Actually it was the sea route across the Atlantic to the Americas. The Earth was much ⁸ **smaller** than Columbus thought. Columbus went to the Americas three times, but when he ⁹ **died** on 20th May, 1506, he ¹⁰ **still** thought that his journey was a shorter sea route to Asia.

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| 1 in on at | 2 sail sailing sailed | 3 might were was | 4 short shorter shortest | 5 longer long longest |
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| 6 see seeing saw | 7 which where who | 8 big bigger biggest | 9 die died dying | 10 soon once still |
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