

ASSIGNMENT**NATURAL TEXAS & ITS PEOPLE, DAY 1
GRADE 7**

Stimulus - Use the information provided and your knowledge of Texas history to help answer the following questions.

Padre Island

One of the most unusual features of the Coastal Plains region is Padre Island. This 133-mile-long island has the longest sand beach in the United States. The island is covered in sand dunes and is home to more than 600 different types of plants and animals. Each summer, hundreds of sea turtles make their way up the dunes to lay their nests. Turtle hatchlings then make their way to the ocean, and many years later, female turtles will make their way back to lay their eggs. The Padre Island National Seashore helps protect the island and the animals living there.

<https://www.nps.gov/pais/index.htm>

1. What is the title of the reading selection?
2. What is a unique feature about the island?
3. How do turtles use the island?
4. Why do you think the island was turned into a national park?

Hot Spot - Answer the question.

5. This graphic organizer describes a region of Texas.

Which characteristics best describe the North Central Plains region?

Select **THREE** correct answers.

Includes the major cities of Amarillo and Lubbock

Contains the lowest elevation in the state

Includes landmarks like AT&T Stadium and Dinosaur Valley

Used primarily for agriculture

Includes the major cities of Fort Worth and Abilene

Has the highest elevation in the state