

Name Story: Antarctic Ice

Selection Comprehension : Quiz

► Choose the best answer for each question.

1. How can readers tell that "Antarctic Ice" is nonfiction?

- (A) It has a plot that teaches a lesson.
- (B) It tells about real places and animals.
- (C) It tells the author's personal feelings.
- (D) It has events that could never happen.

2. Based on the article, Antarctica is special because it has

- (F) the coldest weather in the world.
- (G) the most animals in the world.
- (H) the strongest winds on earth.
- (I) the shortest winters on earth.

3. What is unusual about Antarctica in the summer?

- (A) Animals are busy.
- (B) There is no night time.
- (C) Some ice starts to melt.
- (D) The sun rises in the sky.

4. What is one way that seals, penguins, and fish in Antarctica are ALIKE?

- (F) All are helped in some way by the ice.
- (G) All breathe through cracks in the ice.
- (H) All grow very fast in winter.
- (I) All lay only one or two eggs.

Answers

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____
- 7) _____
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5. What happens when there is no sunshine in Antarctica?
- (A) Seal pups cannot grow thick fur.
 - (B) Underwater animals cannot move.
 - (C) Fish cannot hide in holes in the ice.
 - (D) Plants cannot grow.
6. What happens JUST AFTER summer ends in Antarctica?
- (F) Male penguins sit on eggs to keep them warm.
 - (G) Penguin parents bring food to their chicks.
 - (H) Penguin chicks swim north for the winter.
 - (I) Male penguins build nests out of stones.
7. What causes ice algae to move to the bottom of the sea?
- (A) The algae go to the bottom to hide from seals.
 - (B) The wind blows the algae to the ocean floor.
 - (C) The algae go lower to escape from the sun.
 - (D) The ice that the algae live on melts.
8. What can readers tell about the author of this article?
- (F) The author has always lived in Antarctica.
 - (G) The author likes winter more than summer.
 - (H) The author knows a lot about science and wildlife.
 - (I) The author thinks everyone should travel to Antarctica.