

Read the passage carefully. Then answer the questions using details from the text.

The Mariana Trench: Earth's Deepest Ocean Spot



The Mariana Trench is Earth's deepest ocean spot. It is a very special place in the western Pacific Ocean. Imagine stacking many tall buildings; the trench is even deeper! This amazing underwater world holds many secrets.

Life in the Mariana Trench is truly amazing. It is very dark, cold, and the water pressure is crushing. Yet, strange creatures live there! Some fish have huge eyes, while others make their own light. Tiny, unusual sea creatures thrive in this extreme world.



Scientists use special submarines to explore this hidden place. These subs withstand the huge pressure. Studying the Mariana Trench helps us learn about our planet and how life adapts. It shows us how amazing our world truly is.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

(1) What is the main idea of this passage?

- A The Mariana Trench is an amazing deep ocean place with unique life.
- B Some fish in the trench have huge eyes.
- C The ocean is full of interesting places.
- D The Mariana Trench is a good place for swimming.



(2) Which detail best supports the main idea?

- (A) Strange creatures live in the dark, cold trench.
- (B) It is the deepest spot on Earth.
- (C) Scientists use special submarines to explore it.
- (D) The trench is found in the western Pacific Ocean.

(3) What would be the best title for this passage?

- (A) The Mariana Trench: Earth's Deepest Home for Life
- (B) Deep Ocean Places
- (C) Fish with Big Eyes
- (D) How Submarines Work

(4) Which sentence does NOT belong in this passage?

- (A) The Mariana Trench is the deepest spot on Earth.
- (B) Strange creatures live in the dark, cold trench.
- (C) Scientists use special submarines to explore the trench.
- (D) Whales are the biggest animals in the ocean.

(5) Write the main idea in your own words. Include one detail from the passage.



