



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

Son Doong Cave: Earth's Giant Underground World



Deep within Vietnam's Phong Nha-Ke Bang National Park lies Son Doong Cave, the largest cave in the world. Its name means "Mountain River Cave," and it truly is a hidden world. This enormous cave is so vast that it has its own jungle, river, and even clouds inside! It was discovered in 1991 and fully mapped by explorers in 2009.

Imagine a cave so big that a 40-story skyscraper could fit inside its largest chamber. Son Doong Cave stretches for nearly 9 kilometers (about 5.6 miles). In some places, it is 200 meters (about 650 feet) high and 150 meters (about 490 feet) wide. These incredible dimensions make it a record-breaker among caves.



Inside Son Doong, the environment is unlike anywhere else. Where parts of the cave ceiling have collapsed, sunlight streams in, allowing lush green forests to grow deep underground. These "cave gardens" are home to unique plants and animals that have adapted to this unusual environment. Rare species of fish and insects live within its walls.

Exploring Son Doong Cave is a challenging adventure. Visitors trek through dense jungle and cross underground rivers. The cave's sheer scale and breathtaking beauty remind us of the incredible wonders hidden just beneath our feet.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

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



- A Son Doong Cave is an enormous and unique underground world.
- B It has its own jungle and river inside.
- C Caves are interesting places to explore.
- D Son Doong Cave is easy to visit.

(2) Which detail best supports the main idea?

- A It is so vast that it has its own jungle, river, and clouds inside.
- B Explorers fully mapped the cave in 2009.
- C It is 200 meters high in some places.
- D The cave is home to many types of bats.

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

- A Son Doong Cave: Earth's Giant Hidden World
- B Exploring Caves in Vietnam
- C The Discovery of Son Doong
- D Underground Rivers

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

- A Son Doong Cave has lush green forests growing deep underground.
- B The cave is nearly 9 kilometers long.
- C Son Doong Cave is a popular spot for rock climbing competitions.
- D Rare species of fish and insects live inside the cave.



(5) Write the main idea in TWO sentences. Include one supporting detail.

