

**Asset Practice Questions: English**

The Okapi

The Okapi is also known as the forest giraffe. It is found in the rainforests of Africa. It mostly roams

about alone in the nights.

Its quick speed allows it to escape whenever it senses danger. Its coat is deep reddish-brown and it

has zebra-like stripes on its upper legs. It looks a little like a giraffe but it is much smaller in size.

Like the giraffe, the okapi has a very long sticky tongue. It uses it to pull tender new leaves off forest

trees. It also licks its eyes and cleans its ears with its long tongue. Its large ears help it to hear very

well.

The Okapi is a plant-eater. It eats leaves, shoots, fruit, and berries, spending most of its time eating. It

swallows its food without chewing it. After a while, it brings up this food to the mouth again, chews it

and then swallows it for the last time.

Source: The Okapi - <http://www.enchantedlearning.com/subjects/mammals/okapi/Okapi.shtml>

1. What does the Okapi do when it is in danger?

A. It climbs up a tree.

B. It hides its face in the ground.

C. It runs away very fast.

D. It hides under water.

2. Where is the Okapi found?

A. in the rainforests

B. in the caves in the forests

C. on the trees

D. near the zebras

3. In which of these ways does the Okapi use its tongue?

A. to catch flies to eat

B. to keep its teeth sharp

C. to clean its legs and body

D. to clean its ears and eyes

4. Which word from the passage means ' to run away from danger '?

A. allow

B. roam

C. escape

D. use

A weary traveller once bought seven cakes. Tired and hungry, he gobbled up the first three. But this hurried eating did not make his hunger any less.

So he decided to eat another cake. Thereafter, he quickly ate a fifth and a sixth cake. He was no longer mad with hunger. Yet, he was glad he had one cake left.

Next, he started on the seventh cake. This time, he ate more slowly. And, as he finished the last mouthful of the last cake, he felt very pleased and satisfied.

Then he began to feel very sad. It had taken him so long to satisfy his hunger. The man said: What a fool

I’ve been. I should have eaten the seventh cake first! Then, my hunger would have gone away at once. Besides, I could have saved the rest of the cakes.

Listening to the man babbling, everyone laughed at him.

5. Which of these words from the story means ' ate very quickly '?

A. finished

B. gobbled

C. hurried

D. decided

6. What does ' babbling ' mean in this sentence from the passage?

‘Listening to the man babbling, everyone laughed at him.’

A. singing loudly

B. talking foolishly

C. snoring in sleep

D. laughing noisily

7. The yaks live together in herds.

The word 'herd ' in this sentence means that they live

A. in pairs.

B. in groups.

C. in safe places.

D. in the forest.

8. “How many of you would like to become great without having to work hard?”

In the sentence above, the word 'great' means\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. large in number

B. bigger in size

C. more than usual

D. important and famous

9. ''Ramana Athreya saw a pair of strange birds.''

In this line, ' strange ' means something that is ' \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_'.

A. real

B. large

C. pretty

D. different

10. Which word from the passage is connected with '' groups ''?

A. flocks

B. shelters

C. distances

D. feathers

11. 'Empty wrappers' are wrappers that have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. something in them

B. nothing in them

C. light things in them

D. heavy things in them

12. The word wonderful means the SAME as

A. many.

B. lovely.

C. little.

D. kind.