

Class - VII

L-7 No. 3 - The Desert

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Sub. - English

(An Alien Hand)

Word - Meanings

Surrounded - Encircled

Stretch - Continuous expanse

Mounds - Hilllock, Big heaps

Sand dunes - Sand hills

Burrow - To go underground

Absorb - Take in

Variations - Difference

Moisture - Dampness

Comprehension Check

1. From the first paragraph

(i) Pick out two phrases which describe the desert as most people believe it is;

Ans Two phrases which describe the desert as most people believe it is are: -

(a) an endless stretch of sand,

(b) dry, hot, waterless and without shelter

(ii) Pick out two phrases which describe the desert as specialists see it.

Ans Two phrases which describe the desert as specialists see it are:-

- (a) a beautiful place,
- (b) home of variety of people, animals and plants.

Q. Which do you think is an apt description and why?

Ans According to me the description given by specialists is more apt because it has been based on facts. It gives a true picture of the desert.

Q2 Match 'A' with 'B'.

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| <p>Ans.</p> <p>i on endless stretch of sand</p> <p>ii waterless and without shelter</p> <p>iii an oasis</p> <p>(iv) hidden by a cover of grass.</p> | <p>A</p> <p>B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nothing but sand as far as one can see. • no water and no shade • fertile place with water and plants in abundance • not visible because the grass is thick. |
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