

Q1. A camel can do without water for days together. What is the reason given in the text?

Ans. Camels can do without water for days together because they sweat very little. They can stand high body temperature. They don't need to sweat and can, therefore, retain the water they drink for long periods of time. They can drink a lot of water at one time.

Q2. How do the smaller desert animals fulfil their need for water?

Ans. The smaller desert animals do not drink water. They burrow underground during the hot day and come out at night to eat. Some of them eat other animals and get the water they need

from the moisture in the meat. Others (2) eat plants and seeds and get the water they need from plant juices.

Q3. In a desert the temperature rises during the day and falls rapidly at night. Why?

Ans In humid climates, the moisture in the air acts like a blanket and protects the earth's surface from the hot rays of the Sun. The absence of this blanket in desertlands causes the desert to heat up rapidly during the day and to cool off rapidly at night.

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