

Reading Plus

Lesson 5

Exercise 18

A. Scanning:

1. Which paragraph contains more sentences, the first or the second?
2. How many countries appear in the third paragraph?
3. How many states appear in the third paragraph?
4. How many continents appear in the third paragraph?
5. Are there more lines or sentences in the fourth paragraph?

B. Locating Information:

1. Which inaccuracy about the French and Indian War is clarified in the second paragraph?
2. Who did the Indians fight against?
3. According to this timed reading, how long did the French and Indian War last?
4. On which line of this timed writing might you most logically insert a sentence or two about how the French defeated George Washington?
5. Which sentence of this timed writing might you most logically expand to include information about what the English did to finally begin overpowering the French?

C. Grammar:

1. How many times does some form of the verb “to be” appear in the first two paragraphs of this timed reading? How many times in present tense and how many in past?
2. The subject of the sentence that begins on line 13 is “The French.” What verb(s) go with this subject?
3. To which noun in the third paragraph does the adjective phrase “aided by the Indians” refer?
4. Which sentence in the fourth paragraph begins with a phrase that means the same thing as “Because of”?
5. What other verb could be used to replace the verb “has” (line 18)?

D. Vocabulary:

1. Which adjective in the second paragraph is a synonym of the word “correct”?
2. Find a word in the third paragraph that refers to the people who live in one place.
3. Find a word in the third paragraph that means “a strong protected military base.”
4. Which verb in the third paragraph means that someone “tried” to do something?
5. Find a word in the fourth paragraph that means someone was “helped” or “supported.”
6. Which verb in the third paragraph means the opposite of “to get smaller” or “to reduce in size”?
7. Which verb in the fourth paragraph means “to challenge” or “to compete directly against” someone?

8. Find a word in the fourth paragraph that means that “one person was able to trick someone else because they possessed greater intelligence.”
9. Which word in the fourth paragraph means “to last longer than someone else”?
10. Find an adjective in the fourth paragraph that means “the last one.”