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SECTION A - READING

I. Read the following passage carefully:

There are three kinds of bees: workers, drones and queens. The bees live in hives but only one queen bee can live in each hive. If she is lost or dead, the other bees will stop their work.

Bees are very hard-working and busy little creatures. They join together to build cells of wax for their honey. Each bee takes its proper place, and does its own work. Some go out and gather honey from the flowers; others stay at home and work inside the hive. But the drones do not work. Before winter comes, all the drones are driven from the hive so that they may not eat the honey that they did not gather.

The cells that they build are all of the same shape and size, and no room is left between them. The cells have six sides and they form a hexagon.

Although the honey that bees produce is delicious, the hive needs to be handled cautiously. Most bees have very sharp stings that they use for defence if they are attacked.

A. Tick the correct answers.

1. Which is not a kind of bee?

- a. worker b. king c. queen d. drone

2. Which word best describes bees?

- a. hard-working b. fair c. clever d. honest

3. What happens to the drones in the winter?

- a. They sleep. b. They find a new hive. c. they are driven out
d. they repair their hive

4. How many sides does cell in the hive have ?

- a. three b. four c. six d. seven

B. Complete these sentences.

1. There is only one _____
2. If the queen bee is lost or dead _____
3. Some bees go _____ while others _____
4. The drones are driven out so that _____
5. If bees are attacked they _____

C Answer the following questions.

1. How do the bees build their cells?

2. How many kinds of bees are there? Mention the kind of bee which doesn't work.

II. Read the passage.

Once there were four blind men who were very curious about how an elephant might look. So their friend, who worked at a zoo, brought an elephant to them. Of course they could not see the elephant with their eyes; but they touched him to learn just what kind of animal he was.

The first one happened to put his hand on the elephant's side. It was large and broad. "Well, well!" he said, "This beast is exactly like a wall."

The second felt only the elephant's tusk. "My brother," he said, "you are mistaken. He is smooth and sharp. He is more like a spear than anything else."

The third reached out his arms and grasped one of the elephant's legs. "It is very plain to me that he is round and tall like a tree trunk," he said.

The fourth man seized the animal's tail. "O foolish fellows!" he cried. "Certainly an elephant is thin and long, exactly like a rope!"

A. Complete these sentences in your own words.

1. The blind men's friend _____

2. The second man was sure _____

3. The fourth man held _____

4. The first man thought _____ because _____

B. Find the word in the passage that are the opposites of the following.

1. tiny _____ 2. narrow _____ 3. rough _____

4. blunt _____ 5. wise _____ 6. thick _____

C. Answer the following questions:

1. Why were the blind men curious?

2. Why did the third man feel that the elephant was like a tree trunk?
