

“The Submarine”

Reading Comprehension – Short Stories (4)

Directions: Read the passage. Then answer questions about the passage below.

It is cold where the submarine lives.

It is **dark** where the submarine sleeps.

It is **quiet** where the submarine moves.

The submarine likes coming to the **surface**. This is the **only** time the submarine can see the sun.

This is the only time the submarine can see the clouds. This is the only time the submarine can see the birds.

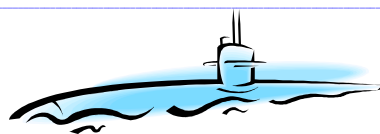
But, the submarine does not stay at the surface long.

“Dive Dive Dive!” says the submarine captain, and the submarine goes back down into the water.

It goes **deeper**

and deeper

and deeper into the water.



It is cold where the submarine lives.

Questions:

1) What is a submarine? A. A fish. B. A plane that can go underwater. C. A boat that can go underwater. D. None of the above.
2) What is the temperature like where the submarine lives? A. It is hot. B. It is warm. C. It is cool. D. It is cold.
3) What does the submarine see when it comes to the surface? A. The sun. B. Clouds. C. Birds. D. All of the above.
4) Can a submarine actually see? A. No. B. Yes. C. Certainly.
5) What does the captain say to make the submarine go down into the water? A. “Down!” B. “Up!” C. “Dive!” D. “Yeehaw!” E. “Get down there you dumb submarine!”

Vocabulary:

1) If it is dark , there is... A. little light. B. much light. C. much water. D. no air.
2) If it is quiet , there is... A. little sound. B. a lot of noise. C. little noise. D. A and C
3) When the submarine is at the surface of the water, it is... A. at bottom of the water. B. in the middle of the water. C. at the top of the water. D. B and C
4) The story says that the only time the submarine can see the sun is when it comes to the surface. So, the submarine can see the sun... A. all the time. B. never. C. only at one time – when it is at the surface of the water. D. when it is deep in the water.
5) Deeper means... A. lower. B. later. C. higher. D. further down. E. Both A and D