

True or False

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

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Using the information in the book, decide whether the following statements are true or false. Check your answers with the book. List the page number where you found the information that proves you are correct.

Statement 1	People can only visit Antarctica in the summer months.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 2	Vinson Massif was named after Carl Vinson, an American explorer.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 3	There are currently about 40 year-round stations in Antarctica.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 4	Vinson Massif is made up mostly of sedimentary rocks.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 5	It is estimated that 12 million penguins live on the continent of Antarctica.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>



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Write a Descriptive Paragraph

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Many different animals live in the Antarctic Peninsula. Research online and in the library to learn more about an animal that lives in this area. Then, use the information you learned to write a descriptive paragraph about the animal.

A descriptive paragraph is a group of sentences that describes a noun. A noun is a person, place, or a thing. To write a descriptive paragraph, you will need many describing words. Describing words are called adjectives.

A descriptive paragraph has three parts. The first part is the topic sentence. The topic sentence is usually the first sentence. It tells readers what the paragraph will be about and catches their attention. Supporting sentences usually follow the topic sentence. They provide details explaining or supporting the topic sentence. At the end of a descriptive paragraph, a sentence wraps up, or summarizes, the ideas expressed in the paragraph. This is called the concluding sentence. It is usually a strong sentence.

Topic Sentence

Supporting Sentence

Concluding Sentence



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Write a Biography

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Many people have explored the Seven Summits. Research online to help you choose an adventurer that you want to learn more about. Make sure you choose someone who has explored Vinson Massif. Then, research and write a biography about that person using this concept web as a guide.



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Mapping Massifs

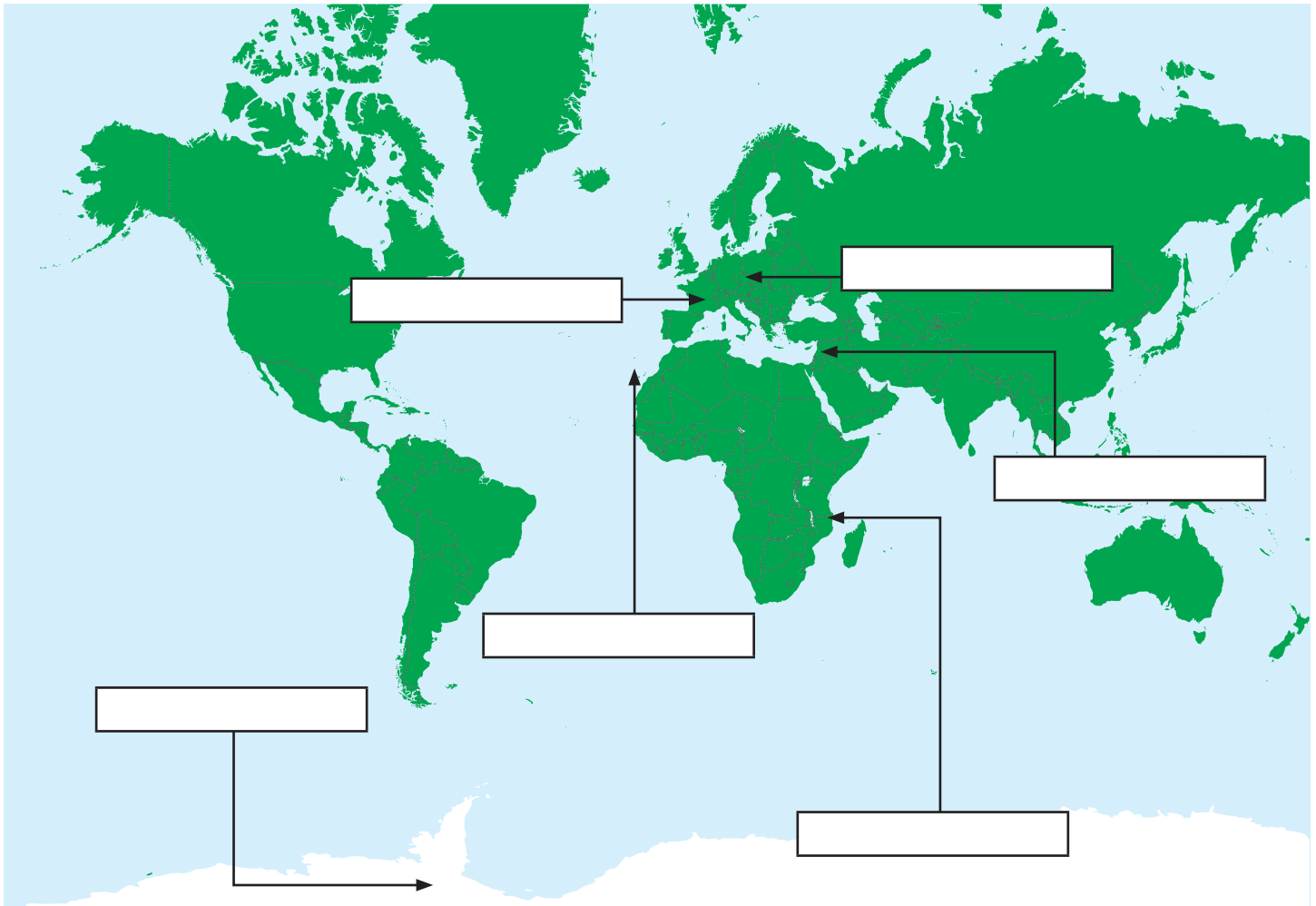
Read pages 16–17 in *Vinson Massif*. Then, follow the instructions to complete the activity.

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Look at the map below. Match the massifs to the correct areas on the map.
Write your answer in the box.

Bohemian Massif
Kilimanjaro
Limestone Massif
Massif Central
Teno Massif
Vinson Massif



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Vinson Massif Timeline

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Use the book, and research in the library and online, to create a list of important events in the history of Vinson Massif. Your list should include 10 events. Organize the events by time period, from oldest to most recent. Then, use your list of events to create a timeline.



True or False?

Decide whether the following statements are true or false. If the statement is false, make it true.

- 1** Vinson Massif is part of the Ellsworth Mountain range.

- 2** Australia is the closest landmass to Antarctica.

- 3** The Arctic tern lives in Antarctica all year long.

- 4** Antarctica was once in a warmer part of the world.

- 5** Many climbing teams meet in the country of Brazil.

- 6** Some scientists study the stars from Antarctica.



Short Answer

Answer the following questions using information from the book.

- 1** What are two ways that people can harm Antarctica?
- 2** What are the two types of flowering plants that grow in Antarctica?
- 3** What do climate scientists study in Antarctica?
- 4** What are the jobs of female and male Emperor Penguins?
- 5** When did people see Antarctica for the first time?



Multiple Choice

Choose the best answer for the following questions.

- 1** What is a fault?
 - a A crack in Earth's surface
 - b A high mountain range
 - c A special type of plant
- 2** About how many tourists visit Antarctica each year?
 - a 45,000
 - b 50,000
 - c 55,000
- 3** Where do most tourists who visit Antarctica come from?
 - a China
 - b Australia
 - c The United States
- 4** Where is Vinson Massif located?
 - a In western Antarctica
 - b Near McMurdo Station
 - c Next to the South Pole



Key Words Match-Up

Write the words from the list below in the box above the correct definition for each word.

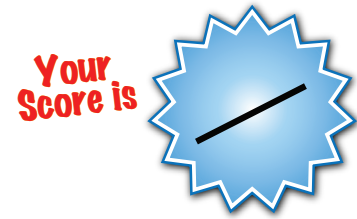
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KEY WORDS

adaptations
apex
archipelago
crust
fossils
glaciers
massif

migrate
peninsula
plate tectonics
pollution
species
Transantarctic Mountains



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1.
a compact portion of a mountain range that contains at least one summit
2.
a group of closely related living organisms
3.
the impressions of prehistoric plants or animals embedded in rock and preserved in petrified form
4.
highest point of something
5.
the theory that Earth's crust is divided into several plates, which move over the mantle
6.
land surrounded on three sides by water
7.
changes by which an organism or species becomes better suited to its environment
8.
to move from one place to another
9.
a system of mountains that divides Antarctica into its western and eastern regions
10.
top layer of Earth where landmasses and oceans are located
11.
adding harmful things to the environment, in air, land, or water
12.
enormous, slow-moving chunks of ice
13.
a group of islands



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