

Cacti

This task is about listening and recalling information.

Listen to the report about cacti and answer the questions.

a) The writer grew cacti plants because she liked

- their colours and prickles.
- their leaves and pots.
- the fact they were easy to buy.
- their weird shapes and spines.

b) The thing that is special about the plants called "succulents" is that they

- can do without water longer than other plants.
- can be eaten.
- are green all year.
- can hold water in their prickles.

c) Cacti store water in their

- leaves.
- needles.
- roots.
- stems.

d) Succulents grow where there isn't much water. They grow in high mountains because

- there is little rain.
- the water flows down the mountain.
- the water freezes.
- the wind dries the rain.

e) What do cacti use most often to protect themselves from the sun?

- Spines
- Leaves
- Nearby rocks
- Passing clouds

f) Why do birds and insects bore holes into cacti?

- For water
- To eat the spines
- To use them as homes
- To protect the cactus