

Exercises

(A) Fill in the blanks :-

- (1) A flat area with sandy soil and very little rain and vegetation is called a Desert.
- (2) Sand dunes are small hills of sand that keep shifting in the wind.
- (3) A green area with water in the middle of a desert is called an oasis.
- (4) People who do not settle down at one place and move their home from place to place are called Banjarias.
- (5) The most useful animal for the people of the Thar Desert is the camel.
- (6) The Desert Festival is held at Jaisalmer every year and is a great tourist attraction.

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(B) Write T for true and F for false sentences :-

(1) The Aravalli range of hills is to the south of the Thar Desert. False

(2) Sand heats up quickly in the day and cools quickly at night. True

(3) Sand dunes shift because of soil erosion by water. False

(4) In an oasis, underground water is brought out by digging wells. False

(5) Camel milk is popular among the people of Rajasthan. True

(6) The people of Rajasthan earn a lot of money from tourism. True

Multiple choice questions

(1) Which of these is to the south of the Thar Desert?

- (a) Satluj River Basin (b) Aravalli hills
(c) Indus River Basin (d) Rann of Kachch ✓

(2) Which of these best describes the climate in the Thar Desert?

(a) hot days and nights during summer and winter.

(b) hot days cold nights during summer
cool days and cold nights during winter

(c) hot days cool nights during summer
cool days and cold nights during winter

(d) hot days and nights during summer
cold days and nights during winter.

(3) Which of these crops cannot be normally grown in Rajasthan?

- (a) wheat (b) rice (c) jowar (d) bajra

(4) Which of these is called the ship of the desert?

- (a) horse (b) tractor (c) donkey (d) camel

(5) Which of these best describes Banjaras?

(a) They live in small villages around an oasis.

(b) They do not settle down at one place.

(c) They live in large cities and raise cattle.

(d) They live in fertile areas and grow crops.