

Open Forum 3

Web Site Worksheet

Chapter 6

Name: _____

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1. Preparing to Listen

You are going to listen to a talk about the wettest place on earth. Before you listen, think about the following questions.

Where do you think the wettest place on earth is?

What problems do you think people have there?



2. Listening for Main Ideas

Read questions 1 and 2. Listen to the talk. Then choose the correct answer for each question.

- Where is the wettest place on earth?
 - Bangladesh
 - Delhi
 - north-eastern India
- What problem do the people in Cherrapunjee have?
 - They don't have enough water to drink.
 - There are bad floods.
 - There are too many tourists.



3. Listening for More Detail

Read questions 3–12. Listen to the talk again and choose the correct answer for each question.

- Who is Jay Carver?
 - a university student
 - a travel agent
 - a weather expert
- Which of the following statements about India is true according to the talk?
 - It is a very rich and modern country.
 - It is a poor country with a weak tourism industry.
 - Indians experience both great wealth and terrible poverty.

- Which of the following statements best describes the geography of the state of Meghalaya?
 - It is in the mountains near the ocean.
 - It is in the center of the country.
 - It has both mountains and low-lying areas.
- How much rain falls on Cherrapunjee on average every year?
 - 8 meters
 - 11 meters
 - 24 meters
- What is a monsoon?
 - a rain storm
 - a state
 - a wind
- How many seasons does this region have?
 - 2
 - 3
 - 4
- What is the main reason for the lack of water in this region?
 - the monsoon
 - political conflict
 - human actions
- Why has cutting down trees damaged the environment in Meghalaya?
 - It has increased greenhouse gasses.
 - The trees used to hold the topsoil in place.
 - The trees collected water.
- Which of the following is NOT a way that the villagers collect water in the dry season?
 - They collect it in cans.
 - They buy it from trucks.
 - They bring it in from the sea.
- Why do some people not trust the weather data from Mawsynram?
 - Mawsynram is a smaller town than Cherrapunjee.
 - The man who collects the data is not an expert.
 - The rainfall totals vary from year to year.