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EarthReading Comprehension



Read the text and answer the questions.

The Earth is our planet. It's not too big and it's not too small. It's just the right size for us and it has everything we need. We live on the Earth's surface, but there's a lot more of the Earth under the water. There are five oceans: the Atlantic Ocean, the Indian Ocean, the Southern Ocean, the Arctic Ocean, and the Pacific Ocean. The Pacific Ocean is the biggest ocean.

The highest mountain in the world is Mount Everest. It's 8,848 meters high. It's in Asia. The lowest place in the world is the Dead Sea. It's 400 meters below sea level. It's between Israel and Jordan.

Our planet is very old – about 4.5 billion years. A long time ago, there were no people here. The first people appeared about 2 million years ago.

There are now about 7.3 billion people on the Earth. We live all over the planet, but most people live in Asia. There are also many other animals and plants on the Earth. We must take care of them.

- 1 Why is it important to take care of the animals and plants on Earth?
- 2 Where is Mount Everest located, and how high is it?
- 3 What lies beneath the Earth's surface besides water?
- 4 How many oceans are there on Earth, and which one is the largest?
- How old is our planet, and when did the first people appear?