











FOR MAH MCA CET 2025



Reading Comprehension

-> 30 mins reading

Fasten your reading speed.

Direct Indirect Inforence

Read the passage and questions carefully before answering.



Use the information from the comprehension only. Don't use any other information to answer the question.



A Lichen is a composite organism that arises from algae living among filaments of multiple fungi in a symbiotic relationship. The combined Lichen has properties different from those of its component organisms. Lichens come in many colours, sizes, and forms. The properties are sometimes plant like, but Lichens are not plants. Lichens may have tiny leafless branches, flat leaflike structures or flakes that lie on the surface like peeling paint or other growth forms.

Lichens occur from sea level to high alpine elevations, in many environmental conditions and can grow on almost any surface. Different kinds of Lichens have adopted to survive in some of the most extreme environment on earth such as Arctic, Tundra, hot dry deserts, rocky coasts, and toxic slag heaps. They can even live inside solid rocks, growing between the grains.

It is estimated that 6% of the earth's land surface is covered by Lichens. Some of them are considered to be the oldest living things. They are among the first living things to grow on fresh rock exposed after an event such as a land slide. The long-life span and slow but regular growth rate of some Lichens can be used to date events.

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The passage states all the following about Lichens EXCEPT

Lichen is an independent plant.

Lichens have different properties.

Lichens can grow in exotic conditions.

Lichens can be used to date events.

The passage aims at the view

(a) that Lichens are toxic in nature.



hat sharing of things help easy growth.

(c) that Lichens should be excluded from Botany.



(d) how plants use solar energy.





Choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the word FLAKES.

- (a) Peeling
- (b) Pip







Identify the one word opposite to SPAN in meaning.

- (a) Stretch
- (b) Length
- (c) Duration
- (d) Compress



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I have myself, full confidence that if all do their duty, if nothing is neglected, and if the best arrangements are made, as they are being made, we shall prove ourselves once again able to defend our Island home, to ride out the storm of war and to outlive the menace of tyranny, if necessary for years, if necessary alone. At any rate, that is what we are going to try to do that is the resolve of His Majesty's Government-every man of them.

That is the will of the Parliament of our Nation. The British Empire and the French Republic, linked together in their cause and in their need, will defend to the death their native soil, aiding each other like good comrades to the utmost of their strength. Even though large tracts of Europe and many old and famous States have fallen or may fall into the grip of the Gestapo and all the odious apparatus of Nazi rule, we shall not flag or fall.

We shall go on to the end, we shall fight in France, we shall fight on the seas and oceans, we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air, we shall defend our Island, whatever the cost may be, we shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields in the streets, we shall fight in the hills; we shall never surrender, and even if, which I do not for a moment believe, this island or a large part of it were subjugated and starving, then the British Fleet, would carry on the struggle, until, in God's good time, the New World, with all its power and might, steps forth to the rescue and the liberation of the old."



What does the term ride out the storm mean?

- Handle a crisis successfully
- Hide from a storm
- Hide in some places where one cannot be found
- Ride on a boat at the time of storm





(a) Surrender



Control

(b) Compare

Control

(d) Abandon



"That is the resolve of His Majesty's Government." What is their resolve?

- (a) Surrender to the Nazis
- (b) Negotiate with the Nazis
- (c) Run away from the Nazis



















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