



Identify Potential Sources

Directions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. You are studying the weather. Which of the items below is raw data and not organized information?
 - (A) A weather map
 - (B) A chart of yearly rainfall
 - (C) The temperature outside today
 - (D) Pictures of cloud types
2. You are part of a group that must write a report on mammals. Who is the best person to ask to help you find information?
 - (A) Another member of your group
 - (B) Your science teacher
 - (C) Your school librarian
 - (D) Lion keeper at the zoo
3. You need to find facts about a country for a report. What are the best tools to use?
 - (A) Dictionary, fiction book, Google Maps
 - (B) Website, Google Maps, biography
 - (C) Nonfiction book, website, Google Maps
 - (D) Biography, nonfiction book, fiction book
4. You are looking for facts about your grandmother. Here is a list of places to find information:
 - Letter
 - Diary
 - Piece of clothing
 - PhotoWhat kind of sources are these?
 - (A) Primary sources
 - (B) Secondary Sources
5. Your city is going to build a new high school. You want to know if the school will have a swimming pool. Which one of these sources would be the best source of information?
 - (A) The local newspaper
 - (B) A city map
 - (C) The school bulletin board
 - (D) An architecture museum
6. Which of the items below is a primary source?
 - (A) Biography
 - (B) Encyclopedia
 - (C) Letter
 - (D) Magazine

7. A friend tells you that he is reading a good fiction book. The book is *James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl. You go to the library to find a copy of the book. Where would the book be located?

- Ⓐ On the “D” shelf for Dahl
- Ⓑ On the “J” shelf for James
- Ⓒ On the “G” shelf for Giant
- Ⓓ On the “R” shelf for Roald

8. You are writing a report about a desert habitat. Which book should you use to find facts for your report?

- Ⓐ Nonfiction book about a cactus
- Ⓑ A fiction book about a boy who goes to the desert and rides a camel
- Ⓒ A nonfiction book about desert plants and animals
- Ⓓ A biography

9. Mary is assigned a science project. Where should she begin her research?

- Ⓐ A science website for kids
- Ⓑ A television show
- Ⓒ A magazine
- Ⓓ A science fiction book

10. You want to learn more about dolphins. Which of these sources would be the best starting point for getting information on your topic?

- Ⓐ A non-fiction book
- Ⓑ A search engine (such as Google)
- Ⓒ A fiction book
- Ⓓ A social network (such as Facebook)



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9. A
10. B