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EXTENSION

Name:

1 Write the words below in your own language. You can use a dictionary.

1. Earth 3. deep 5. dry
2. steep 4. wet

2 Read the advert about the Galapagos Islands. Then complete the sentences with the comparative or superlative forms of the adjectives below.

The Galapagos Islands

Come and visit the Galapagos Islands, 1,000 km off the coast of Ecuador, in the Pacific Ocean. The islands are an ideal holiday destination for animal lovers. Come and see some of the most extraordinary animals on Earth, including whales, sharks, birds and reptiles. They arrived on the isolated Galapagos Islands thousands of years ago. Many of them live only on these islands and nowhere else in the world!

There are 120 islands in the Galapagos. One of the most beautiful islands is Espanola, in the south. It isn't easy to get here because crossing the sea can be rough. But once you are here, you can have a lot of fun. You can enjoy a peaceful day on the beach or go scuba diving in the deep blue sea. Espanola is also a favourite destination for animal lovers. Here you can see the famous marine iguana. It looks frightening with its big yellow eyes, but don't worry – it's very friendly and it only eats plants!

Another interesting island is Isabela. It isn't as old as Espanola but it's the largest island in the Galapagos. It has got long coasts with steep cliffs and beautiful beaches. You can take a trip to the Wolf Volcano – the highest point in the Galapagos – and enjoy the extraordinary scenery.

There are two seasons on the islands: the wet season and the dry season. The wet season is between December and May. It is warm – not too hot and not too cold – and it often rains during this time. For bird lovers, this is an excellent time to visit the islands. They will see many unusual birds. In the dry season, from June to December, the weather is lovely. It is the best time to watch sea mammals because they are more active than in the wet season. So come to the Galapagos at any time!

old ♦ good ♦ big ♦ high ♦ extraordinary ♦ nice

1. Animals on the Galapagos Islands are some of animals in the world.
2. Espanola is Isabela.
3. Isabela is island in the Galapagos.
4. The Wolf Volcano is point on the islands.
5. In July, the weather is in January on the Galapagos Islands.
6. time to watch birds is during the wet season.

3 Answer the questions.

1. Where are the Galapagos Islands?
2. Why are the animals on the islands extraordinary?
3. Why is it difficult to get to Espanola?
4. What can you do on Espanola? List three activities.
5. Why is it better to scuba dive in the dry season?

4 Imagine you are a tourist on the Galapagos Islands. Write an e-mail to a friend about your visit.