

Tuesday

23rd June

LO: To retrieve information from a non-fiction text.

SPaG

Prepositions

What are prepositions? There is a clue in the word.

A **preposition** is a word that tells you where or when something is in relation to something else.

Examples of **prepositions** include words like on, under, after, before, inside and outside.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zh8nscw>

What prepositions can you use to describe when something happened or where something is in this picture? Use full sentences.



In our writing tomorrow, we will have a go at using some prepositions along with the onomatopoeia we learnt yesterday.

Comprehension

This week's comprehension task links to our science topic of Living Things.



[https://cdn.oxfordowl.co.uk/2020/03/13/08/48/24/fb03cb45-922f-477f-94db-f0c9a18980df/BondSATsSkills Comprehension9-10 Unit1.pdf](https://cdn.oxfordowl.co.uk/2020/03/13/08/48/24/fb03cb45-922f-477f-94db-f0c9a18980df/BondSATsSkills%20Comprehension9-10%20Unit1.pdf)

Read the text and consider these questions.

What type of text is it? Fiction or non fiction? How do you know?

Cactus Garden

Read the text below and answer the questions that follow.

Estanislao Gonzáles Ferrer was a plant expert, called a botanist, who collected lots of cactus plants from different parts of the world. He gave his collection to the famous artist, architect and environmentalist César Manrique (born in 1919) who created the cactus park in Lanzarote. The park is set inside an old, circular quarry, which is a deep pit like a mine where rock, stone or other material has been taken from. The park has an upper and lower layer around the perimeter to show the plants at their best. There are over 10 000 plants on show with over 1000 different species covering a huge variety of colour, size, shape and country of origin. As Lanzarote is a volcanic island belonging to Spain with no rivers, streams or lakes, the cactus plants are ideal as they require so little water and they can store the water they do need in their fleshy, thick body or leaves. This means that cacti (the word for more than one cactus) can survive in very dry places.

The cactus park is a miniature world of peace and calm where little lizards run freely and the only noise is from the gentle chatter of visitors as they sit under the shade in the small café. The cactus garden took 20 years to perfect and was completed in 1990. Manrique himself died just two years after completing the park.

For a wonderful experience, the Jardín de Cactus is somewhere that everyone should visit at least once in their life. You would be amazed at how beautiful a cactus garden can be. Until then, there are some fantastic photographs of the park online.

Did you know...?

Cactus plants have spines that do a range of important jobs:

- 1 They provide protection to stop the plant being eaten by animals.
- 2 They help the cactus to remain camouflaged.
- 3 They help to create water by trapping air around the surface of the cactus.
- 4 They can reduce the loss of water by providing shade for the cactus which lowers the temperature of the plant.



Challenge 1- Try to answer questions B, D, E , H and I



Challenge 2 - Try to answer all of the questions.



Challenge 3 -Choose a different plant to research and write a fact file for with 'Did you know' questions.

Ⓐ How did Ferrer help César Manrique? [1]

Ⓑ What shape is the cactus park? [1]

Ⓒ *The park has an upper and lower layer around the **perimeter** to show the plants at their best.*

Tick the word below which is closest in meaning to the word *perimeter* in this sentence.

Tick **one**. [1]

centre

area

edge

top

D He **gave** his collection to the famous artist, architect and environmentalist César Manrique

Which word below could be used to replace the word *gave* in this sentence?

Tick **one**. [1]

stole

donated

sold

bought

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E Use a line to join the dates to the events. [1]

César Manrique dies

1919

The Jardín de Cactus is completed

1970

César Manrique is born

1990

The creation of the Jardín de
Cactus is begun

1992

F Why are cactus plants well-suited to Lanzarote? [2]

G Find and copy a group of **nine** words that shows how someone can see the cactus park without having to visit Lanzarote. [1]

H Tick the following statements to show whether they are **true** or **false**. [1]

	True	False
César Manrique cared about the environment.		
Lanzarote belongs to Canada.		
There are beautiful lakes on Lanzarote.		
The spines on cactus plants help the plant's survival.		

- ① Look again at the 'Did you know...?' text and find the sentence: *They help the cactus to remain **camouflaged***

Tick the word below which is closest in meaning to the word *camouflaged* in this sentence.

Tick **one**. [1]

safe

vulnerable

protected

disguised

- ② How is the cactus park described as a quiet place?

Find and copy **three** words or short phrases. [1]

- ③ Give **two** reasons why the author thinks that everyone should visit the cactus park. [2]

- Ⓐ *There are over 10 000 plants on show with over 1000 different **species** covering a huge variety of colour, size, shape and country of origin.*

Tick the word below which is closest in meaning to the word *species* in this sentence.

Tick **one**. [1]

types

animals

trees

special