



Ali and the Magic Carpet



Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow:

One very hot day Ali found a carpet in his uncle's shop. Suddenly the carpet jumped up towards him.

It moved here and there and then spoke to Ali, "Welcome, Oh master! I am a magic carpet."

Ali sat on it and off they flew to distant lands. First, they flew high up into the sky and landed in a jungle. It was wet and raining there. Ali did not like to get wet.

So they flew to a desert. It was very hot and dry there. Ali did not like the heat. They decided to fly to the North Pole. There was snow and ice everywhere. It was very cold and Ali felt that he would freeze.

Ali was beginning to think of his home, his uncle's shop and his town.

They started back and stopped by at a big city. It was too crowded. From there the carpet took him to an island. "Oh! It is so lonely here," said Ali.

"Let's go home, carpet," cried Ali.

Finally, they flew back home. The carpet landed in the shop and Ali got off. Wow! That was an adventure!

Ali felt happy to be back home.

"East or West, home is best!" thought Ali.

Answer the following questions:

1. Ali found a carpet in his uncle's home. (True/False)
2. The carpet had the ability to speak. (True/False)
3. What was the other interesting thing about the carpet?
4. Where did Ali and the carpet first go to?
5. Why did they fly to the desert?
6. Why did they fly away from the desert?
7. The North Pole was
 - (a) lonely (b) hot and dry (c) cold and freezing (d) crowded
8. When did Ali first think of his home?
9. Where did the carpet land finally?
10. Why did Ali feel happy to be back home?

