



1. If you go to Cocos Island near Costa Rica, take a shovel. Three treasures may be hidden there. The first pirate to visit Cocos hid 100 tons of silver. The second pirate hid 150 tons of gold. The third treasure was buried by a ship captain who had stolen 14 tons of gold and many jewels. But no one has ever found these stolen treasures.

2. Ergonomics is the study of the way that offices can be made more comfortable. Scientists are looking at how furniture, light, colors, and machines affect people. If workers get headaches, their office light could be too bright. If workers get tired easily, they might need a more cheerful color of paint on their office walls.

3. A man in Germany made a treehouse. He trained some trees to grow toward each other. He tied the branches of some trees together and fastened nets on the inside and outside for protection. Then he planted vines to cover the outside. Finally he laid foam blocks down for the floor and put material on the walls for decoration.

4. Centuries ago, people believed in creatures called basilisks. According to myth these reptiles were created when a rooster laid an egg that was hatched by snakes. This monster was supposed to be able to kill with its breath or a single look. A person with a mirror could kill a basilisk. The sight of the beast's own image scared it to death.

5. Doctors are learning to use imagination in order to cure disease. People may feel helpless when they are sick. It can make them more sick. Today many patients are taught to pretend their white blood cells are knights fighting diseases. They are also told to think of themselves as being completely well. These patients actually get well faster!

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1. The story mainly tells
- A. where Cocos Island is located
 - B. what you should take if you go to Cocos Island
 - C. about treasures perhaps hidden on Cocos Island
 - D. where the third treasure came from

2. The story mainly tells
- A. what to do when you get a headache or backache
 - B. why it's good to have plants in the office
 - C. how offices can be made into better places
 - D. why machines in people's offices are harmful

3. The story mainly tells
- A. how a man built a treehouse
 - B. how to train trees to grow toward each other
 - C. which materials are for decorating walls
 - D. which trees make good houses

4. The story mainly tells
- A. whether or not the basilisk was a real animal
 - B. how people could hunt deadly basilisks
 - C. what people once believed about basilisks
 - D. how basilisks were hatched

5. The story mainly tells
- A. how helpless people feel when they're sick
 - B. how doctors use white blood cells
 - C. how knights fight disease
 - D. how imagination can help sick people get better