



Macmillan English 5

Unit 1 worksheet

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1 Read and match the adjectives to the definitions.

Many (Example) arid areas get their water from underground lakes. These (1) vast lakes were formed long ago when the climate was much wetter than today. Nowadays, the ground is baked (2) solid by the sun. When it does rain, the water doesn't have time to sink into the (3) parched soil. This means that the (4) subterranean lakes are drying up.

Recharge dams are one solution to this (5) grave problem. Recharge dams usually consist of a (6) low wall of earth covered in a (7) durable layer of cement. They are built across wadis or dry riverbeds. When it rains, water rushes down the wadi and gets trapped by the dam where a (8) shallow pool of water forms. The dam holds the water long enough for it to flow down into the ground and fill up the underground lake.

1 vast

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a serious or important

2 solid

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b very big and wide

3 parched

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c not high

4 subterranean

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d hard and tough

5 grave

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e very dry

6 low

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f under the ground

7 durable

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g not deep

8 shallow

☐

h hard and tough

~~i dry, with no water~~

Example: arid

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**2 Write sentences. Use the words in brackets.**

Example: (playing) I think playing computer games is boring.

1 (raining) _____

2 (cleaning) _____

3 (walking) _____

4 (reading) _____

5 (washing) _____

6 (living) _____