Test 5



Always be on the lookout for base words.

Directions

Read the story carefully. Then find the bold words and underline the base word for each. Finally, answer the questions.

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1.	Where do all the world's wild zebras live?
2.	What is the animal group to which zebras belong?
3.	List three things you learned about zebras by reading the selection.
4.	How are people trying to help protect zebras?
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Answers

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- 1. Africa
- 2. Equus
- 3. (a) Zebras stand out among other African animals due to their bold black-and-white stripes. (b) They wander around freely over African plains. (c) Zebras are wild horses. (d) Not many zebras remain in the world at present. (e) Zebras belong to the same species as horses and asses known as Equus.
- 4. By making wildlife preserved.

Zebra Poem:

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Away, away, get out of sight