

JOLLY PHONICS READER: Nonfiction: The Nile

Activity 2

A. Passage from the reader:

Every year, the Nile floods the land. The water makes the soil rich. Farmers grow crops like wheat and rice near the river.



1. Circle the names of the crops given in the lines above:

2. Identify two common nouns:

3. What happens when the Nile floods the land?

4. Tick (✓) the correct meaning of rich soil:

- dry soil
- soil good for plants
- dirty soil

5. Change the base verbs to show something happening now or in the past.

1. Please ____ fold your clothes and put them away.

2. The cat will ____ appear behind the big tree.

3. My sister is tall ____ than me.

4. This is the sweet ____ apple in the whole bag!

6. Write the present tense:

- flooded → _____
- grew → _____

B. Passage from the reader:

"From the Nile, the farmers make the land grow crops. The crops grow well and are used for food. Farmers have lived and grown crops next to the Nile for thousands and thousands of years. All the living things in this part of Africa depend on the River Nile."

i. How long have farmers lived by the Nile?

ii. Find three plural nouns in the text:

iii. Use the word 'Thousand' in a sentence of your own:

iv. Circle the compound words in this list:

Farmhouse, River, Watermelon, Farmer, Sunlight, Crops

5. What do we call the curved path that a planet takes as it moves around a star?

- A) Orbit
- B) Road
- C) Circle

6. These people study the stars, the moon, and everything in outer space.

- A) Doctors
- B) Astronomers
- C) Farmers

7. Describe how a plant grows from a seed using the Nile's water. Use sequencing words: First, Then, Next, Finally.

Answer Key: Worksheet 2 – The Nile

1. wheat, rice
2. Farmers, river (Other options: land, water, soil, crops, wheat, rice)
3. The water makes the soil rich.
4. soil good for plants
5. Base verbs
 - unfold
 - disappear
 - taller
 - sweetest
6. Present Tense:
 - flood
 - grow
1. Text:
 - i. Farmers have lived there for thousands and thousands of years.
 - ii. farmers, crops, years
 - iii. I saw a thousand stars in the sky tonight. (Accept any sentence using the word correctly.)
 - iv. Farmhouse, Watermelon, Sunlight
5. A) Orbit
6. B) Astronomers
7. Sample Sequencing: First, the farmer plants a seed in the rich soil. Then, the Nile's water flows over the land to give the seed a drink. Next, the plant grows tall in the sunlight. Finally, the crops are ready to be used for food.