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The National Park Service Americas national parks are like old friends. You may not see them for years at a time, but just knowing theyre out there makes you feel better. Hearing the names of these famous old friends -Yosemite, Yellowstone, Grand Canyon -revives memories of visits past and promotes dreams of those still to come. From Acadia to Zion, 369 national parks are part of a continually evolving system. Ancient fossil beds, Revolutionary War battlefields, magnificent mountain ranges, and monuments to heroic men and women who molded this country are all a part of our National Park System (NPS). The care and preservation for future generations of these special places is entrusted to the National Park Service. Uniformed Rangers, the most visible representatives of the Service, not only offer park visitors a friendly wave, a helpful answer, or a thought-provoking history lesson, but also are skilled rescuers, firefighters, and dedicated resource protection professionals. The National Park Service ranks also include architects, historians, archaeologists, biologists, and a host of other experts who preserve and protect everything from George Washingtons teeth to Thomas Edisons wax recording. Modern society has brought the National Park Service both massive challenges and enormous opportunities. Satellite and computer technologies are expanding the educational possibilities of a national park beyond its physical boundaries. Cities

struggling to revive their urban cores are turning to the Park Service for expert assistance to preserve their cultural heritage, thirsty for recreational outlets are also working with the NPS to turn abandoned railroad tracks into bike and hiking trails, as well as giving unused federal property new life as recreation centers. To help meet these challenges and take advantage of these opportunities, the National Park Service had formed partnerships - some dating back 100 years, some only months old - with other agencies, state and local governments, corporations, American Indian tribes and Alaska Natives, Park Friends groups, cooperating associations, private organizations, community groups and individuals who share the National Park ethic. National Park Week 1996 is a celebration of these partnerships.

1. Why are Americas national parks like old friends? A) Because they are always out there. B) Because they are very old. C) Because they make people feel better. D) Because they are very famous.

2. Which of the following statements is true about uniformed rangers? A) They take tourists to national parks. B) They always act as tourist guides. C) They help set up new national parks. D) They protect the National Park System.

3. The National Park Service does all the following EXCEPT A) offering help to visitors B) molding the Nation. C) keeping people better informed of the National Park System. D) helping preserve the cultural heritage.

4. What is this passage about? A) It is about the American National Parks. B) It is about the National Park Service. C) It is about the National Park Service partnerships. D) It is about the care and preservation of the National Parks in America.

5. What will the

paragraph following this passage most probably discuss? A) The pocket parks in America, B) The preparations made for the celebration of National Park Week 1996. C) The work that has been done by the partners. D) The preservation of national resources in America. KEYS: ADBBC 100Test 下载频道开通，各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问 www.100test.com