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Pig Facts

Pigs are interesting animals.

They have four legs and a small tail.

They have a round, flat nose called a snout.

They make funny sounds. They grunt and squeal.

They lie in the mud to keep cool.

Pigs are very intelligent. Many of them are as smart as dogs.

Pigs are omnivores. This means they eat both plants and animals.

A pig will eat almost anything!

- 1) What does a snout look like?
 - A. small and fat
 - B. round and flat
 - C. long and thin
- 2) According to the passage, how do pigs sound?
 - A. funny
 - B. interesting
 - C. loud
- 3) According to the passage, what can a pig do if it is hot?
 - A. sit in the shade
 - B. leave the barn
 - C. lie in the mud



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- 4) What do pigs eat?
- I. eggs
- II. meat
- III. carrots
 - A. I only
 - B. I and II only
 - C. I, II, and III
- 5) Which person is an omnivore?
 - A. Tom, who eats two steaks every day
 - B. Jane, who eats salad with rice and beans
 - C. Harry, who eats ham with lettuce and tomato
- 6) The passage says that pigs are omnivores. Are dogs omnivores? How do you know?

Answers and Explanations

1) B

Core Standard: Key Ideas and Details

In the middle of the passage, it says that pigs "have a round, flat nose called a snout." We can understand from this information that a snout is round and flat. Choice **(B)** is correct.

2) A

Core Standard: Key Ideas and Details

In the middle of the passage, it says that pigs "make funny sounds. They grunt and squeal." We can understand from this information that pigs sound funny when they make noises. Choice (A) is correct.

3) C

Core Standard: Integration of Knowledge

Near the end of the passage, it says that pigs "lie in the mud to keep cool." We can understand from this that if a pig is hot, it can lie in the mud to cool down. Choice **(C)** is correct.

4) C

Core Standard: Integration of Knowledge

At the end of the passage, it says, "A pig will eat almost anything!" We can understand from this that a pig will eat any type of food. So a pig will eat eggs, meat, or carrots. This supports **option** (I), option (II), and **option** (III).

Therefore **(C)** is correct.

5) C

Core Standard: Craft and Structure

At the end of the passage, we learn that "Pigs are omnivores. This means they eat plants and animals." Using this information, we can understand that an omnivore eats both plants and animals. Since Harry eats both ham (which comes from an animal) and lettuce and tomato (which come from plants), he must be an omnivore. This means choice **(C)** is correct.