

We arrived in Mesquite Spring in the late afternoon. The warden of the campsite showed us a good place to camp and explained the rules of camping. He promised us some firewood. We paid him \$15 for the first night and he showed us the toilets and the washrooms. It took us some time to realise that there were no showers.



The warden gave us a brochure about the animals

warden: keeper
rules: directions
brochure: booklet
area: zone
nasty: bad
poisonous: toxic
advice: information
damp: humid
at least: at a minimum

and plants in the area. The brochure said that there were rattlesnakes, which could give you a nasty bite if you play with them. They are poisonous but not deadly. The brochure taught us a good trick – don't leave food around because this attracts insects and insects mean food to scorpions. The brochure also gave us some good advice about damp clothes – scorpions like to hide in and under damp clothes so don't leave them on the ground!

The brochure advised us to drink at least four litres of water per day because of the extreme heat of the desert. Death Valley in California is the hottest place on Earth!

SUPERLATIVES:

The hottest place	Greenland	Death Valley	Disneyland
The highest mountain	Mountbatten	Notting Hill	Mount Everest
The most expensive painting	Mona Lisa	Lucky Luke	Mister Bean
The largest and deepest ocean	Lake Louise	North Sea	Pacific Ocean
The world's most known word	okay	never	always
The best-selling books	Interesting Ants	Sorry Again	Harry Potter
The most dangerous snake	green samba	pink papa	black mamba
The tallest church building	Ulm minster	Tell's chapel	Sistine chapel
The world's largest island	Cyprus	Greenland	Alcatraz
The smallest car	Smart	Jaguar	Chevrolet
The best-known physicist	Weinstein	Springsteen	Einstein
The fastest man	Usain Bolt	John Wayne	Freddie Mercury
The first man on the moon	Neil Armstrong	Barack Obama	Tom Sawyer
The coldest place	Norway	Labrador	Antarctica
The lowest point in North America	Sioux Falls	Death Valley	Washington D.C.

CAN YOU FIND THEM IN DEATH VALLEY? Delete six words:

rattlesnakes – sand – rocks – campsites – scorpions – penguins – insects – fish – sailing boats – salt – cars – roads – cows – rivers – ducks – cactus –