

## THE DESERT

### Comprehension check , Part 2

- 1. A camel can do without water for days together. What is the reason given in the text?**

**Answer:** A camel can do without water for days together as they can stand high body temperature. They don't sweat like human beings and so they can retain the water they drink for longer periods of time.

- 2. How do the smaller desert animals fulfil their need for water?**

**Answer:** The smaller desert animals burrow themselves underground during the hot day and come out at night to eat. Some of them eat other animals and receive moisture from the meat of those animals. Others eat plants and seeds and collect water from plant juices. In this way, these smaller desert animals fulfil their need of water.

- 3. In a desert the temperature rises during the day and falls rapidly at night. Why?**

**Answer:** In a desert the temperature rises during the day and falls rapidly at night. It is because unlike the humid climates, the desertlands lack the moisture in the air that acts like a blanket and protects the earth's surface from the hot rays of the sun.