



Listening

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- 1 A) He wrote it with his friends.
B) Spirits moved his hands to type it.
C) He copied it from an old library.
D) He used a computer to write it.

- 2 A) In the Atlantic Ocean.
B) In the middle of America.
C) In the Pacific Ocean.
D) In the mountains of Japan.

- 3 A) It is a book for children.
B) It shows the secret history of humans.
C) It was written by a scientist.
D) It is a very short and easy book.

Expressions

- 1 I've heard the name before.

- 2 I'm familiar with it.

- 3 Could you tell me a little bit about it?

- 4 It's possible that ancient civilizations were more advanced than we think.

- 5 They are just myths or legends.

- 6 In Japan, some people believe that the Yonaguni Monument might be related to the Mu continent.

- 7 I find it hard to believe that it's merely an urban legend.

- 8 It's a waste of time to learn about things like urban legends.



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Oahspe is a strange book from 1882. An American dentist named John Newbrough wrote it. He said he did not write the book by himself. He said that spirits moved his hands to type the words. This is called "automatic writing."

The book is very long. It tells the story of the universe and humans from a long time ago. It also talks about a lost land in the Pacific Ocean called "Pan." Today, some people think this land was the same as "Mu." The book says that human culture started on this lost land.

Scientists think the book is just a story. However, some people believe it is a special book. They think it shows the secret history of humans. People who love mysteries still read it today.

Q1: How did John Newbrough write the book?

Q2: Where was the lost land of "Pan" located?

Q3: What do some people believe about the book today?

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- 1 Have you ever heard of the lost continent of 'Mu'?
 - 2 What do you think about 'automatic writing'? Do you believe it's possible for spirits to write through humans?
 - 3 Scientists say it's 'just a story,' while others call it a 'secret history.' Which do you believe more?
 - 4 Why do you think mysteries like Oahspe are still read today?