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ANSWERS:

- 1. Ape.
- 2. Orangutans live on the islands of Borneo and Sumatra in Southeast Asia.
- 3. Orangutans have long, curved fingers and toes that help them hold onto tree branches.
- 4. Orangutans eat mainly figs and other fruit.
- 5. People have cut down many of the forests where orangutans lived. People also capture wild orangutans to sell them as pets. People also sometimes hunt orangutans for their meat.
- 6. Orangutans are protected by law, and it is illegal to hunt or capture them.