Reading Comprehension: "A Day at the Beach"

Directions: Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

It was a beautiful day at the beach. The sun was shining and the water was a bright blue. Maria and her family had packed a picnic lunch and were ready to spend the day swimming and playing in the sand.

As they walked down the boardwalk, they saw many people flying kites and building sandcastles. Maria's little brother, Carlos, was especially excited to play in the waves. They found a spot near the water and set up their blankets.

After they ate their lunch, Maria and Carlos ran to the water. They played in the waves and tried to catch crabs in the shallow water. Maria's mom watched them from the beach and called out to be careful not to go too far out.

As the day went on, the beach got more crowded, but Maria and her family didn't mind. They were having too much fun. They played beach games, flew a kite, and even built a sandcastle.

Before they knew it, the sun was starting to set. They packed up their things and headed home, already planning their next trip to the beach.



Questions:

- 1. What did Maria and her family pack for the day at the beach?
- 2. What were many people doing as Maria and her family walked down the boardwalk?
- 3. What was Carlos especially excited to do at the beach?
- 4. What did Maria and Carlos do after they ate their lunch?
- 5. Who watched Maria and Carlos from the beach?
- 6. Did Maria and her family mind that the beach got more crowded as the day went on? Why or why not?
- 7. When did the sun start to set?
- 8. What were Maria and her family already planning as they headed home?

