

## FOCUS ON ***AMERICAN BLACK BEARS***

1. Summarize Chapter 1 of this book.
2. Why do you think American black bears have few predators?
3. When do American black bears mate?
  - A. spring
  - B. summer
  - C. winter
4. Why do American black bears eat so much during the fall months?
  - A. because that is the only time they can forage
  - B. because they will not eat while hibernating
  - C. because they have to show their cubs how to hunt

5. What does agile mean in this book?

- A. able to move quickly and easily
- B. able to move slowly
- C. unable to move

American black bears are **agile**. They can swim very well and run at speeds of nearly 25 miles per hour (40 km/h).

6. What does **flee** mean in this book?

- A. walk
- B. swim
- C. run

The trees also provide protection. Black bears **flee** to the trees and climb when threatened.

## Answer Key:

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. B
5. A
6. C