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This book discusses how people raise alligators for their meat and hides. Take a position on this practice. Then write a short essay explaining your opinion. Make sure you give reasons for your opinion. Give some evidence to support those reasons.



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You Are There

Chapter Five discusses how people have reintroduced captive-born Chinese alligators into the Yangtze River after their habitats were destroyed. Imagine you live in southeast China near the alligators' habitat. Write 300 words about your experience. Do you have a right to drain the alligators' habitat? How can you and your family survive without crop fields?



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Tell the Tale

Chapter Three discusses alligator characteristics and behaviors. Write 200 words about a mother alligator and her hatchlings. Remember to set the scene, develop a sequence of events, and end with a conclusion.



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Dig Deeper

After reading this book, what questions do you still have about alligators? Do you want to learn more about the challenges they face, such as habitat loss and hunting? Would you like to join a conservation organization to help protect alligators? Write down one or two questions that can guide you in doing research. With an adult's help, find a few reliable sources that can help answer your questions. Write a few sentences about what you learned from your research.



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