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2)	Why are tarantulas different from other spide	ers?	
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	C. They have more legs	D.	They live much longer than most spiders
3)	What do adult tarantulas eat?		
- /	A. Adult tarantulas do not eat	B.	Insects, small birds and mice
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	C. They try and run away	D.	They play dead
6)	What does a tarantula use to sense vibrations	?	
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	C. Their antennae	D.	Their eyes
7)	Where would you NOT find tarantulas in the	wild	42
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	C. deserts		jungles
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32)	Tarantulas bodies have tiny hairs to sense vibrations in the air or on the ground.			
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4.	Α	29.	false	54.	С	_	
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6.	A	31	opinion	56.	imperative	_	
7.	A	32.	fact	57.	interrogative		
8.	С	33.	opinion	58.	exclamatory		
9.	С	34	fact	59.	declarative	_	
10.	D	35	opinion	60.	interrogative		
11.	false	36.	fact	61.	declarative		
12.	true	37	fact	62.	interrogative	_	
13.	true	38	opinion	63.	declarative	_	
14.	true	39	opinion	64.	imperative	_	
15.	true	40	true	65.	exclamatory	_	
16.	false	41	false	66.	imperative	_	
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18.	true	43.	false				
19.	false	44	true				
20.	false	45	false				
21.	true	46	false				
22.	false	47	false				
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