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GMOs in Africa

A. Listen to the Science Report and take notes below.

Use your notes to answer questions B, C, and D below.

B. Fill in the blanks with the missing words from the news report.

1. A new report says _____ - _____, or GM, crops would greatly improve agriculture in Africa.
2. Mr. Bailey says _____ offer the best hope of increasing productivity and dealing with climate change in Africa.
3. Opponents say they _____ more use of chemicals.
4. Mr. Nartey says there is not enough _____ into GM products.

C. Mark below statements as true or false. If they are true, write T. If they are false, write F and correct the answer.

1. _____ The report says African governments are likely to approve GM crops.
2. _____ Rob Baily says opponents have created anti-GM campaigns based on misinformation.
3. _____ Mr. Baily says there is evidence to support the claims of the opponents.
4. _____ Opponents also argue that they are cheap to grow.
5. _____ They say they do not produce more than non-GM crops.
6. _____ This year, Ghana approved a test of GM grains like cowpeas.
7. _____ Mr. Nartey agrees with that decision.
8. _____ Ghana's government says it has put strong walls in place to guard against problems from GM crops.

D. Choose the best answer for each sentence from the multiple choices below.

1. Opponents of GM crops in Africa are spreading fear about its possible_____.

- a. health
- b. harm
- c. benefit
- d. cancer

2. Rob Baily says the opponents claim a link between GM and all of these but

_____.

- a. cancer
- b. reproductive problems
- c. heart problems
- d. health concerns

3. Companies that supports GM crops are more interested in _____

- a. supporting GM crops
- b. helping farmers
- c. helping GM crops
- d. making money

4. Tetteh Nartey does not grow these _____.

- a. fruit
- b. vegetables
- c. maize
- d. pawpaw

5. Mr. Nartey argues that anything non-natural has _____.

- a. rights
- b. advantages
- c. dreams
- d. dangers

6. Bernard Guri is worried that GM crops could force many of Africa's millions of small _____ to stop growing food.

- a. farms
- b. firms
- c. ferns
- d. forms

Listen to the Science Report again to check your answers.