## Saving the Pandas

## Ready-To-Use Activities for Substitute Teachers

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## Understanding What You Read

Fill in the outline below.
I. Reasons for the decline of pandas:
A. $\qquad$
B. $\qquad$
C. $\qquad$
D.
II. Ways the United States is helping:
A. $\qquad$
B. $\qquad$
C. $\qquad$
III. Zoo costs for keeping pandas:
A. $\qquad$
B. $\qquad$
C. $\qquad$

## Tell Your Own Story

What's your favorite zoo animal? Write about a real or imaginary experience you had visiting this animal at the zoo.
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## Figure It Out!

1. Panda habitat in China was 5,000 square miles in 1988. By 2004, it included only 700 square miles. What percentage of panda habitat remains? $\qquad$
2. Pandas eat 12 kinds of bamboo out of 84 possible species. What percentage of bamboo varieties will pandas NOT eat? (Round to the nearest percentage.)
3. Leasing a panda pair costs a zoo $\$ 1,000,000$. How much is that lease per week? (You may round your answer to the nearest dollar.) $\qquad$ How much per day? (You may round your answer to the nearest dollar.)
4. Based on your answers to question 3: A zoo sells tickets to see the pandas at $\$ 15.00$ each. How many tickets must be sold to meet the daily lease? (You may round your answer) $\qquad$
How many tickets must the zoo sell in a 30-day month? (You may round your answer) $\qquad$

## Map Moments

Look at a land map of China. What physical features do you notice about the country? $\qquad$
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