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Reindeer Research Mission: Fact or Fiction?

Your task is to read through the following “**Reindeer Research Report**” and determine what’s **fact** (scientifically accurate) and what’s **fiction** (fun, magical myth). Write **F** for Fact and **FI** for Fiction next to each statement.



Reindeer Research Report

- _____ 1. Reindeer are mammals that live in cold environments like the Arctic tundra.
- _____ 2. Both male and female reindeer grow antlers, which is rare among deer species.
- _____ 3. Reindeer can fly if they are trained by Santa Claus and eat magic oats.
- _____ 4. Real reindeer have hooves that adapt in winter to help them walk on ice and snow.
- _____ 5. Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer has a glowing nose that lights the way through fog.
- _____ 6. Some reindeer migrate over 3,000 miles each year, farther than any other land mammal.
- _____ 7. Santa’s reindeer all have unique names and personalities and live in a stable near his workshop.
- _____ 8. Reindeer noses warm cold air before it reaches their lungs—great for freezing weather!
- _____ 9. Reindeer love to eat sugar cookies and drink hot cocoa while resting between flights.
- _____ 10. In the wild, reindeer eat moss, lichen, and other tundra plants.

Part 2: Explain Your Thinking

Choose **TWO** of the statements you marked. For each one, write a short explanation (2–3 sentences) about **why you labeled it fact or fiction**.

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