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Windmill Wonders

Directions: Read the passage carefully. Then answer the questions using complete sentences.

A Day in the Netherlands

The Netherlands is a small country in Europe known for its **flat land**, colorful tulip fields, and gentle breezes that turn famous windmills. Much of the country sits close to sea level, which is why people there have built strong dikes to keep the water out. Many Dutch cities have quiet canals where boats glide between homes and shops. Visitors often enjoy biking along smooth paths because the Netherlands has more bicycles than cars. Dutch culture is full of delicious cheese, wooden shoes, and lively celebrations that bring communities together. Whether exploring Amsterdam's canals or watching fields of tulips sway in the wind, the Netherlands is a place filled with beauty and tradition.

1. What are two land features the Netherlands is known for?

2. Why do people in the Netherlands build dikes?

3. Describe one way people travel in the Netherlands.

4. What is one part of Dutch culture mentioned in the passage?

5. In your own words, explain why the Netherlands might be an interesting place to visit.
