

# Family found in Siberian wilderness after 40 years

What do you think Siberia is like?

## Vocabulary

1. geologists    2. isolated    3. fascinating    4. wilderness    5. persecution    6. survived

## True Story

In 1978, Soviet \_\_\_\_\_ discovered a family living deep in the Siberian \_\_\_\_\_. The Lykov family had been \_\_\_\_\_ from the world for 40 years. They had no idea that World War II had happened or that humans had landed on the moon.

The family fled to the forest in 1936 to escape religious \_\_\_\_\_. They \_\_\_\_\_ by growing their own food and hunting. They had no modern tools or medicine.

When the geologists found them, they were amazed. The Lykovs were friendly but chose to stay in the forest. Their story is a \_\_\_\_\_ example of how people can survive in complete isolation for decades.

## Quiz

1. Who discovered the Lykov family in 1978?
2. How long had the Lykov family been isolated?
3. Why did the Lykov family flee to the forest?
4. How did the Lykov family survive?

## True or False

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| 1. The Lykov family landed on the moon.                    | True   False |
| 2. The geologists were surprised to find the Lykov family. | True   False |
| 3. The Lykov family used modern tools to survive.          | True   False |

## Conversation

- A: Wow, you really live out here all alone?  
B: Yes, we've been here for 40 years!  
A: That's amazing! Haven't you missed the world?  
B: Not really, we've had everything we needed.  
A: But no news or TV?  
B: Nope, just nature and peace.

## Discussion

1. Have you ever wanted to live in the forest?
2. What would you miss most if you lived in isolation?
3. Do you think you could survive without modern tools?
4. What would be the hardest part of living in the wilderness?
5. Would you rather live in a large forest or on a small tropical island?