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Reading: Poinsettias

Grade 4 Nonfiction. Read the text. Then answer the questions.

Poinsettias

The poinsettia is a popular plant at Christmas time, and it comes from Mexico. The bright red parts look like petals, but they are really colored leaves. The tiny yellow flowers are in the middle. A poinsettia turns red when the nights get longer in late fall, which is why stores sell them in December. The plant needs bright light but does not like cold drafts.

Circle the best answer for questions 1 to 3.

1. What is the main idea of this text?

A. Poinsettias are Christmas plants with colored leaves.
B. Mexico has long nights.
C. Flowers need water.

2. What are the red parts of a poinsettia?

A. petals
B. colored leaves
C. seeds

3. Why are poinsettias sold in December?

A. They turn red when nights get longer in late fall.
B. They only grow in snow.
C. They are cheap.

4. Where are the tiny yellow flowers?

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