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The word 'science' is <u>derived</u> from the Latin word 'scientia' which means knowledge. Therefore, science is about gaining knowledge either through observing, studying, experience, or practice. Entire knowledge <u>acquired</u> through science is about discovering truths, finding facts, uncovering phenomenon <u>hidden</u> by the nature. Observations and experimentation, in science, <u>support</u> in describing <u>truth</u> and realities through systematic <u>processes</u> and procedures. For me, science is an intellectual set of <u>activities</u> designed to uncover information about anything related to this world in which we live. The information <u>gathered</u> is organized through scientific methods to form eloquent patterns. In my opinion the primary objective of science is to gather information and to <u>distinguish</u> the order found between facts.

There are **several** ways of broadly categorizing the sciences, e.g. pure science is the systematic study of natural or physical phenomena by observation and experiment, critical **testing** and review, and ordering by general principles, applied science is the search for **practical** uses of scientific knowledge; technology is the application of applied science.

Exact sciences are those which typically **require** precise measurements, such as physics, and to a lesser degree, chemistry. Descriptive sciences are those which are more **oriented** towards classification and description, such as biology and paleontology. The pure natural sciences are typically **divided** into the physical sciences and the biological sciences, both of which can be subdivided. The major physical sciences are physics, astronomy, chemistry, and geology; the **main** biological sciences are botany and zoology.

The sciences aren't <u>distinct</u> and independent from each other, but rather, there are interconnections and cross-fertilizations. These interrelationships are often responsible for much of the <u>progress</u> today in several specialized <u>fields</u> of research, such as molecular biology and genetics. Several interdisciplinary sciences, such as biochemistry, have been <u>created</u> as a result. Advances can be the result of research by teams of specialists representing different sciences, both pure and applied.

Questions:

- 1- Give a title to the text.
- 2- Give synonyms to the underlined words.
- 3- Give an example of interconnections between some fields of science.