

ENVIRONMENTAL TRIVIA QUESTIONS II



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1> What is the main contribution to water pollution?

- a. Sewage
- b. Air Pollution that is re-introduced by rainfall
- c. Chemicals in the soil
- d. Pesticides

2> The World Wildlife Federation is considered to be the leading conservation organization on the planet. When was this company founded?

- a. 1961
- b. 1985
- c. 1943
- d. 1956

3> Greenpeace is an environmentally concerned group. Where was Greenpeace formed?

- a. France
- b. Canada
- c. Japan
- d. Australia

4> If you went to the local landfill and started recycling the items, which were on site, how much would you be able to recycle?

- a. 50 Percent
- b. 35 Percent
- c. 70 Percent
- d. 15 Percent

5> Which country contributes the most greenhouse gas?

- a. China
- b. United States
- c. Germany
- d. Australia

6> In the United States, what is the leading source of energy?

- a. Natural Gas
- b. Oil
- c. Hydroelectricity
- d. Solar Energy

7> Household appliances use a lot of energy. Which of the following common household items uses the most energy?

- a. Toaster
- b. Blow Drier
- c. Refrigerator
- d. Dishwasher

8> Which continent gets the least amount of rainfall?

- a. Asia
- b. Africa
- c. Antarctica
- d. North America

9> In a single day, how much water does the average American use?

- a. 100 gallons
- b. 25 gallons
- c. 150 gallons
- d. 200 gallons

10> How many cans of pop will an average American drink during their life?

- a. 40,000
- b. 10,000
- c. 5,000

d. 30,000

11> Which of these travel methods is the friendliest to the planet?

- a. Train
- b. Bike
- c. Bus
- d. Airplane

12> One idea that is often suggested to reduce the landfill issue is to build your own compost. This plan can reduce the average home's annual trash by how much?

- a. 50 Percent
- b. 15 Percent
- c. 75 Percent
- d. 30 Percent

13> How long will a Styrofoam cup sit in the local landfill?

- a. 100 years
- b. 400 years
- c. 200 years
- d. 10 years

14> Which of these creatures was removed from the United States' endangered animal list?

- a. Red Wolf
- b. Elk
- c. Bald eagle
- d. Brown Bear

15> According to the International Union for Conservation of Nature, list which species is considered to be an EW (Extinct in the wild)?

- a. Polar Bear
- b. Maui's dolphin
- c. Seychelles giant tortoise
- d. Grenada Dove

16> Everyday millions of children take a lunch to school. How much waste is produced by the average school lunch in a single year?

- a. 37 pounds
- b. 67 pounds
- c. 25 pounds
- d. 48 pounds

Answers:

1> Sewage - Every year millions of tonnes of waste are dumped into the ocean. Rivers and streams are contaminated by both residential and commercial establishments dumping sewage into them.

2> 1961 - The WWF started in 1961 in Morges, Switzerland. The first President was Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands.

3> Canada - The group was founded in 1970 in B.C. Their first mission was to stop a nuclear bomb test in Alaska.

4> 70 Percent - Although recycling efforts have greatly increased, there is a lot more that needs to be done.

5> China - In recent years, industry in China has grown in leaps and bounds. This increase has also led to the country's drastic rise in green gases.

6> Oil - Approximately, 40% of the nation's energy comes from oil.

7> Refrigerator - In an average home, the fridge accounts for about 11 percent of the power. To conserve energy, set the refrigerator to the proper temperature.

8> Antarctica - There is almost no precipitation in the Antarctic. It is a vast polar desert.

9> 100 gallons - One gallon of water converts to 3.78 litres of water. You can help the planet by learning how to decrease your daily use of fresh water.

10> 40,000 - Imagine if all of these cans sat in landfills. This many cans lined in a row would stretch more than five kilometres.

11> Bike - You can save energy by using your bike or choosing to ride public transportation rather than driving your car.

12> 50 Percent - Imagine how much landfill space could be saved if every family followed this advice and composted everything possible.

13> 400 years - Styrofoam is a brand name. The material is actually known as polystyrene. There are some companies that are willing to accept used polystyrene products.

14> Bald eagle - The Bald Eagle was removed from this list in 2007. There were thought to be 11,000 pairs when this decision was made.

15> Seychelles giant tortoise - The other animals listed are on the threatened list. Most of them are considered to be CR (critically endangered).

16> 67 pounds - Using lunch boxes and re-usable storage containers can greatly

reduce this number.

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