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Lesson 15.1: History of Conservation

Know and Understand

Answer the following questions using the information provided in this lesson.

1. Why is Theodore Roosevelt considered the father of the conservation movement?" (15.1.1)
 - A. He founded the Conservation Party, which rivaled the Republicans and Democrats in the early 1900s.
 - B. He believed in the preservation of wild spaces and that natural resources were exhaustible.
 - C. He personally funded the purchase of thousands of acres of land, which were converted to national parks.
 - D. All are correct.

Answer:

2. What is the difference between conservation and preservation? (15.1.1)
 - A. Conservation uses some resources, and preservation does not.
 - B. Preservation uses some resources, and conservation does not.
 - C. Conservation uses all resources, and preservation uses some resources.
 - D. None are correct.

Answer:

3. How did agricultural practices in the 1920s contribute to the Dust Bowl in the 1930s? (15.1.2)
 - A. Farmers plowed every acre they could find.
 - B. Abundant rainfall gave farmers the misconception that water would always be abundant.
 - C. The Great Depression began and put many people out of work.
 - D. None are correct.

Answer:

4. Which of the following is not one of the soil conservation practices? (15.1.2)
- A. Contour plowing
 - B. Plowed waterways
 - C. Riparian zones
 - D. Reduced tillage

Answer:

5. Why was the Shelterbelt Project commissioned? (15.1.2)
- A. To keep farm chemicals out of waterways.
 - B. To return farmland to native prairies.
 - C. To reduce wind erosion in the Midwest.
 - D. To reduce the use of DDT.

Answer:

6. Factors that contributed to the unprecedented increases in agricultural productivity after World War II include _____. (15.1.2)
- A. chemical fertilizers
 - B. chemical pesticides
 - C. hybrid corn and foreign markets
 - D. All are correct.

Answer:

7. Why was DDT banned in the United States? (15.1.2)
- A. Because of its effect on wildlife
 - B. It increased erosion
 - C. It polluted the nation's waterways
 - D. All are correct.

Answer:

8. *True or False?* One of the primary goals of NRCS is to have every farmer and landowner establish and follow a conservation plan for every acre of their land. (15.1.2)

Answer:

9. Which of the following groups educates farmers and landowners about soil erosion practices? (15.1.3)
- A. Civilian Conservation Corps
 - B. Dust Bowls
 - C. Soil and Water Conservation Districts
 - D. All are correct.

Answer:

10. *True or False?* SWCDs provide education on water quality and watershed protection. (15.1.3)

Answer: