

JUNIOR SCHOOL LEVEL - CLASSES III to V ANSWER KEY

Dear Teacher,

After conducting this round of the quiz, and selecting the highest scorers, please could you share the correct answers with the students. This will help prepare them for the next level, and in general, will increase their knowledge and interest in the wonders of nature – this is one of WWF's main objectives for conducting the Wild Wisdom Quiz.

Each correct answer gets one point. In case of a tie, the student with the maximum number of correct answers to the questions marked with an asterisk (*) will be the highest scorer.

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Thanking you

WWF-India Wild Wisdom Quiz Team

1. *Do you know which type of soil has the smallest grains?

Clay

2. *Which part of soil gives nutrients important for plant growth? It is formed by the breaking down of plant and animal matter.

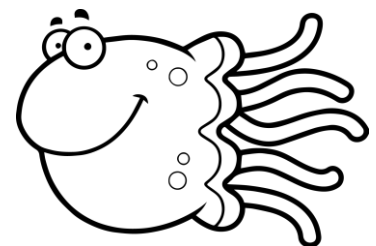
Humus

3. In which country, besides India, is the wild Yak still found?

China

4. Which of these birds is not a raptor?

Crow



5. How many arms does an octopus have?

Eight

6. Plants obtain most of their nutrients from soil - which of these is NOT an important plant food?

Keratin

7. *Which social insects have a well-defined caste system including a Queen and King? They also change the soil to suit their own needs.

Termites

8. What do ALL these animals have in common; Mosquito, Tiger, Woodpecker, King Cobra?

Solitary

9. *Now extinct, what kind of animal was the Dodo? It was cruelly hunted by European sailors, and is the logo of Gerald Durrell's zoo.

Bird



10. Name the animal that can survive for as long as a week even after its head is cut off. This is because only a part of the nervous system is in its head and the rest of the brain is in the abdominal part of its body.
Cockroach
11. *What do earthworms do to improve the quality of the soil where they live?
All of these
12. Which of these animals' egg case is also commonly called a mermaid's purse?
Skate
13. *Did you know that 98% of the vultures in India died? This was because they ate dead cattle that had been treated with an anti-inflammatory drug. Which drug is this?
Diclofenac
14. Koko is one of the few primates that has been recorded adopting a pet kitten. She is also famous for learning sign language. Can you tell us what species Koko was?
Gorilla
15. Prairie Dogs are found in North America and live in underground burrows. Which mammal are they closely related to?
Squirrels
16. Although they give shelter to Clownfish like Nemo, these beautiful sea creatures feed on other fish, mussels and plankton. Which animal is this?
Sea Anemone
17. Baby Flamingos are greyish, but the adults are pink – what gives this bird its pink colour?
Food it eats
18. *Which of these is a plant that is not from India, grows quickly and causes local plants and animals to die?
Water Hyacinth
19. The ancient Egyptians were rich because they grew and traded crops like wheat, flax and papyrus. These were grown in soil deposited after the annual flooding of the River Nile – what type of soil was this?
Silt
20. *It can be expensive as a diamond and is used in perfumes. It is found in the excreta of the sperm whale– do you know what it is called?
Ambergris