

Back by popular demand, here's this year's quiz.

Answers to these questions can all be found in this past year's magazines, Outside Story essays, and web content.



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- 1 **The black racer is one of our fastest snakes. How quickly can it slither?**
A: 2 miles per hour B: 5 miles per hour C: 10 miles per hour D: 30 miles per hour
- 2 **As described by columnist Susan Morse, “bears eat prodigious quantities of flowers throughout spring and early summer.” Name a species that bears don’t typically eat.**
A: pickerelweed B: golden saxifrage C: sweet cicely
D: stinky stewart E: jack-in-the-pulpit
- 3 **What’s a good wood choice for carving a spoon?**
A: basswood B: birch C: ash
D: alder E: all of the above
- 4 **In 1865, C. Hinkley Stevens waded into the Winooski River to pick up**
A: old tires B: Mrs. Stevens C: a mysterious carved pole
D: a baby boy in a papyrus basket coated with tar and pitch
E: an exceptionally large freshwater mussel
- 5 **Vermont’s “Kingdom Heritage Lands” are managed to:**
A: increase the volume of saw log trees over time B: protect water quality
C: protect rare species habitat D: all of the above
- 6 **How do springtails typically get around?**
A: hitching rides on squirrel tails in spring
B: trick question: they don’t move
C: an appendage that acts as an anatomical catapult
D: special “blades” on their feet that allow them to ski across wet leaves and melting snow
E: web filaments, invisible to the human eye
- 7 **What is a feller-buncher?**
A: a logging machine that cuts down a whole tree, using a spinning blade
B: a small and undesirable form of hickory burl
C: a 19th century logging term, denoting the person responsible for organizing teams
D: a dangerous tree, apt to fall on more than one person
- 8 **Hornpout**
A: guard their young
B: have stinging spines on their pectoral and dorsal fins
C: can survive in warm, poorly oxygenated waters
D: all of the above
E: only answers B and C
- 9 **The extensive natural history collection at the Daniel Smiley Research Center at Mohonk Preserve includes four preserved specimens of the second largest North American rat. What’s the common name of this species?**
A: Squirrel Rat B: Catskills Nibbler
C: Alleghany Wood Rat D: Forester’s Friend E: Mickey
- 10 **What isn’t true about deer antlers?**
A: the channels on the surface show where there were arteries in the velvet
B: a rounded knob at the base is a sign of good health
C: size directly correlates to deer age
D: early casting (loss) of antlers is a sign of poor health

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