

Test Your Knowledge about the Delaware River Basin with this Quiz!

1. What is the largest tributary to the Delaware River?

(Hint - A tributary is a smaller river, creek, or stream that flows into a larger river, creek, or stream)

- A. Lehigh River
- B. Schuylkill River
- C. Brandywine Creek
- D. Musconetcong River
- 2. The West Branch of the Delaware meets the East Branch to form the main stem Delaware River near which community?
 - A. Montague, N.J.
 - B. Narrowsburg, N.Y.
 - C. Philadelphia, Pa.
 - D. Hancock, N.Y.
- 3. The Delaware River Basin provides water to many cities. What is the largest city?
 - A. Camden, N.J.
 - B. Philadelphia, Pa.
 - C. New York City
 - D. Trenton, N.J.
- 4. What is the region of the watershed called where salt water and fresh water mix together?
 - A. Mouth
 - B. Delta
 - C. Source
 - D. Estuary
- 5. Stormwater runoff is an example of _____ water pollution:
 - A. Non-Point Source
 - B. Point Source
 - C. Non-Line Source
 - D. Line Source
- 6. True or False: Dry soil can reduce the flooding effects of heavy rainfall.
 - True
 - False

- 7. This animal lays eggs that shorebirds depend on for food during their long spring migration to the Arctic.
 - A. Bald Eagle
 - B. Shad
 - C. Horseshoe Crab
 - D. Rainbow Trout
- 8. The highest flood crest recorded on the Delaware River at Trenton, N.J. occurred in which year?
 - A. 2005
 - B. 1955
 - C. 1996
 - D. 1904
- 9. The Upper Delaware is one of the largest and most important inland wintering habitats in the Northeastern U.S. for this bird:
 - A. Bald Eagle
 - B. Heron
 - C. Turkey
 - D. Falcon
- 10. This fish is born in freshwater like the Delaware, lives most of its life in the ocean, but returns to the river of its birth to reproduce.
 - A. Largemouth Bass
 - B. American Shad
 - C. Eel
 - D. Rainbow Trout
- 11. The USS New Jersey, our nation's most decorated battleship, is now a floating museum on the Delaware River in this city:
 - A. Philadelphia, Pa.
 - B. New York City
 - C. Trenton, N.J.
 - D. Camden, N.J.
- 12. The U.S. has 3.5 million river miles, but the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System includes less than one percent of this total. What percentage of the non-tidal Delaware River (upstream of Trenton) is included in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System?
 - A. 90%
 - B. 75%
 - C. 45%
 - D. 10%

- 13. True or False: The Delaware River is the longest un-dammed river east of the Mississippi.
 - A. True
 - B. False
- 14. The "drought of record" in the Delaware River Basin lasted for six years and began in which year?
 - A. 1961
 - B. 1935
 - C. 1980
 - D. 1947
- 15. Which of the following statements is true?

A. Water does not respect political boundaries like those forming states, counties, and cities.

- B. What happens on the land affects streams and rivers.
- C. Downstream water supplies are dependent on the actions of other upstream users.
- D. All of the above

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Delaware River Basin Quiz Answers:

- 1) B Schuylkill River
- 2) D Hancock, N.Y.
- 3) C New York City
- 4) D Estuary
- 5) A Non-Point Source
- 6) True
- 7) C Horseshoe Crab
- 8) D 1904
- 9) A Bald Eagle
- 10) B American Shad
- 11) D Camden, N.J.
- 12) B 75%
- 13) True
- 14) A 1961
- 15) D All of the Above