

A Redfish Tale – a lesson about watersheds



1. A watershed is _____.
 - a. the area around a building that collects and holds water from a rain
 - b. the area of land that drains rainfall to a specific creek, river, bay or bayou
 - c. the area of land occupied by creeks, streams, rivers and bayous
 - d. a process that results in everything on the land ending up in the Gulf of Mexico

2. A nutrient is _____.
 - a. a chemical that animals use to breathe or respire
 - b. a chemical that is poisonous to plants and animals
 - c. a chemical that runs off the land which may or may not be poisonous
 - d. a chemical that plants and animals need to grow

3. When you sprayed the watershed you created, you were carrying out what part of the water cycle?
 - a. evaporation
 - b. condensation
 - c. precipitation
 - d. transpiration

4. What kind (species) of fish was featured in the video?
 - a. flounder
 - b. redfish
 - c. shark
 - d. tuna

5. The colored water flowing across your watershed model represents _____.
 - a. nutrients
 - b. sediment
 - c. water
 - d. any dissolved chemical or particles in runoff

6. Which of the following is an example of nonpoint source pollution?
 - a. a manufacturing plant releasing their liquid waste through a pipeline to the Gulf of Mexico
 - b. the little streams of water from a mall parking lot after a rain
 - c. a manufacturing plant releasing their waste gases through a smokestack
 - d. the trash and debris in your garbage can that is picked up by the garbage (wo)men

7. Where does the water from the Mobile Bay watershed flow to?
 - a. the Gulf of Mexico
 - b. the Pacific Ocean
 - c. the Atlantic Ocean
 - d. the Arctic Ocean

8. Which of the following are sources of nutrients to creeks, rivers, bays and the ocean?
 - a. glass bottles
 - b. animal waste (poop)
 - c. plastic trash (ex. grocery bags, plastic water bottles)
 - d. paper trash (ex. fast food wrappers, Styrofoam cups)

9. Hypoxic or anoxic waters have just a little or no _____.
 - a. nitrogen
 - b. carbon dioxide
 - c. oxygen
 - d. algae

10. Eutrophication (u trof i ka shun) can **best** be described as _____.
 - a. too many nutrients in the water
 - b. a process that improves water quality
 - c. a dead zone
 - d. talking fish!