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Water World

Water is the most common substance on Earth. It covers more than 70% of the Earth's surface. Water is everywhere, but how much do you know about water? Test your knowledge by trying to answer the following questions.

Multiple Choice

1. Most of the water on Earth is salt water; what percentage of the Earth's water is fresh? a) 3%, b) 5%, c) 7%. _____
2. Which continent has the most fresh water?
a) Asia, b) Antarctica, d) North America.
3. What is the name of the waterfall between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario?
a) Victoria Falls , b) Iquazu, c) Niagara Falls, d) Bridal Veil Falls. _____
4. In what state is the source of the Mississippi River?
a) Wisconsin, b) Mississippi, c) Minnesota, d) Louisiana. _____
5. The Welland Canal connects what two lakes?
a) Ontario and Erie, b) Superior and Michigan, c) Huron and Ontario, d) Erie and Huron. _____
6. The Mariana Trench, the deepest spot in all the oceans, is
a) 26,578, b) 42113, c) c) 36,198, d) 37,689 feet deep. _____
7. A tributary of the Missouri River is the only river longer than 600 miles in the contiguous United States that remains undammed or undiverted. What is the river?
a) Snake River, b) Yellowstone River, c) Salmon River, d) Little Bighorn. _____



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8. Which U.S. state is the only one that borders the St. Lawrence River?

a) New York, b) Pennsylvania, c) Ohio, d) Vermont? _____

9. The mouth of the Irrawaddy, in Southeast Asia, forms one of the largest river deltas in Asia. In what country is the delta?

a) Vietnam, b) Thailand, c) Burma (Myanmar), d) Laos. _____

10. What is the longest river on Earth?

a) Amazon River, b) Yangtze River, c) Mississippi River, d) Nile River. _____

11. What is the longest river in the United States?

a) Columbia River, b) Mississippi River, or c) Missouri River. _____

12. What is the largest northward flowing river in the United States?

a) Red River, b) Sacramento River, or c) St. Johns River _____

13. What is the largest freshwater lake (based on surface area) on Earth? a) Lake Victoria, b) Lake Tanganyika, or, c) Lake Superior. _____

14. What is the deepest freshwater lake on Earth?

a) Lake Tanganyika, b) Crater Lake, or c) Lake Baikal. _____



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15. Name the Great Lakes (from largest to smallest).

16. Only one of the five Great Lakes does not border Canada.
Name the lake.

17. The Mississippi River flows through Louisiana before it empties
into what large body of water?

18. Which continent is mostly desert?

19. What U.S. state is surrounded by an ocean?

20. What river flows through the Grand Canyon in Arizona?

21. The Allegheny River and Monongahela River converge in
Pittsburg to form what river?

22. What sea borders Saudi Arabia on the west?

23. There are four oceans on Earth. Name them.

24. Which five U.S. states touch the Pacific Ocean?

25. What ocean lies west of Australia?

26. Which two oceans are connected by the Strait of Magellan?



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27. Which U.S. state borders on four of the five Great Lakes?

28. The Orinoco River forms a natural boundary between Colombia and which other country? _____

29. Which one of the Great Lakes has the highest elevation above sea level? _____

30. Pierre, the capital of South Dakota, is located on the banks of which major river? _____

31. The Churchill, Peace, and Slave Rivers are in what country?

32. Name the deepest (at 1,962 feet) lake in the United States.

33. The Snake, Willamette, and Yakima Rivers are tributaries of which major U.S. river? _____

34. Big Bend National Park, in Texas, takes its name from a meander in a river that serves as an international boundary. Name this river. _____

35. The Gulfs of Finland, Bothnia, and Riga are part of what sea?

36. Which five U.S. states border on the Gulf of Mexico.



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True or False

37. Angel Falls in Venezuela is the highest waterfall in South America. _____

38. The Suez Canal connects the Red Sea and the Mediterranean Sea. _____

39. The delta of the Mississippi River is in Texas. _____

40. The Bering Sea borders the United States. _____

41. The Silver Strand waterfall in California is the highest waterfall in the United States. _____

42. The Mackenzie River is the longest river in Canada. _____

43. If all the polar ice caps were to melt, the sea level of all oceans would rise about 200 feet. _____

44. The Pacific Ocean is twice the size (based on surface area) of the Atlantic Ocean. _____

45. The average depth (14,000 feet) of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans are the same. _____

46. The Atlantic Ocean is the deepest ocean on Earth. _____

