

Environmental Water Test

1. What percentage of Americans receive water from public water system?
2. How are contaminant residues generally measures in drinking water?
3. How many deaths occur every year from waterborne infections caused by bacteria, viral, or protozoan pathogens?
4. The cost of a glass of water depends largely on what economic principle?
5. Which segment of the United States has greatly reduced its water usage since 1970?
6. The largest consumer of water in agricultural practices is _____?
7. Irrigated acres in the United States produces what portion of the total marketable agricultural crops?
8. The average American uses _____ gallons of water per day.
9. Which type of water keeps soap from getting sudsy and leaves deposits on pots and pans?
10. Which sphere contains all of the water on the earth's surface?
11. The natural process of plants releasing water into the atmosphere is called
12. The hydrologic cycle receives its energy from.....
13. The process that changes water from a gas to a liquid is called_____?
14. Groundwater possesses its own taste, odor, and color, which is created by dissolved_____.
15. Air pollutants which adhere to precipitation and falls to the earth is called _____?
16. Which method of disposal is the proper way to dispose of hazardous household chemicals?
17. Pollution caused by discharging heated water into rivers and streams is created by_____.
18. Which flowing body of water is the largest?
19. What is an aquifer?
20. How much of the water on our planet is fresh water?
21. What concentration of salt must be present for the water sample to be considered salt water?
22. What is brackish water?

23. Water freezes at what temperature?
24. What special property of water allows for it to have very strong surface tension?
25. The rate of flow of a stream is called its...
26. A method of desalinating salt water is...
27. A man-made stream used for transportation purposes is called a ...
28. An example of a non-flowing body of water would be...
29. A shallow, non-flowing body of fresh water with large stands of native grasses is often referred to as a ...
30. The element that gives water the smell of rotten eggs is...
31. A dangerous contaminate that causes blue baby syndrome is...
32. The quality of the water when it has a lot of free calcium ions in it is...
33. Coliform bacteria in the water means...
34. Where do a majority of American get their water?
35. What law of nature/physics does the hydrologic cycle operate on?
36. Transpiration is...
37. Precipitation is...
38. What do we call the area surrounding the stream where excess water goes?
39. What is the boiling temperature of water?
40. What effect does chromium have on water quality?