GRADE 7

Strong reading skills are the foundation learning!

Is your child struggling with reading comprehension, fluency, or vocabulary?

Brighterly's expert reading tutors make lessons fun, personalized, and effective - whether your child is just starting out or ready to level up their literacy skills.

From phonics to reading confidence, we're here to help your child love reading - and get better at it every day.



Why Learn with Brighterly?



Read the passage carefully and answer the questions accordingly.

The Amazing Monarch Butterfly



Every year, millions of monarch butterflies take part in one of the most remarkable migrations in the natural world. These small insects, weighing less than a paperclip, travel thousands of miles across North America. Monarchs born in late summer begin a journey from the United States and Canada all the way to central Mexico, where they spend the winter in warmer climates.

The migration of monarchs is unique because the butterflies that start the trip are not the same ones that finish it. Monarchs live only a few weeks in the summer, so several generations are born along the way. It is the "super generation," born in late summer, that survives long enough to fly more than 2,500 miles to Mexico. Scientists are still amazed by how these delicate creatures can travel so far.

Unfortunately, the monarch population has been declining. Loss of habitat, climate change, and the use of pesticides have reduced the number of milkweed plants, which monarchs depend on for food and for laying eggs. Without milkweed, monarchs cannot survive. Conservation groups encourage people to plant milkweed and protect the butterfly's natural environment.

PRINTER PRINTER PRINTER

The monarch butterfly migration is not just a natural wonder; it also reminds us of the importance of protecting ecosystems. By helping monarchs, people also protect bees, birds, and many other creatures that share the same habitats.

Choose the best answer.

Q1: What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Monarchs are the largest butterflies.
- B. Monarchs are an endangered species of bird.
- C. Monarch butterflies migrate long distances and need protection.
- D. Monarch butterflies can live for many years.

Q2: How much does a monarch butterfly weigh?

- A. About the same as a pencil
- B. Less than a paperclip
- C. As much as a small bird
- D. The same as a coin

Q3: What is special about the "super generation"?

- A. They live longer and complete the migration.
- B. They are larger than other butterflies.
- **C.** They can survive in cold weather.
- **D.** They do not eat milkweed.

Q4: How far can monarchs travel during migration?

- A. About 100 miles
- B. About 500 miles
- C. About 2,500 miles
- D. About 10,000 miles

Q5: Why is the monarch population declining?

- A. They are hunted by people.
- B. Climate change, habitat loss, and pesticides.
- **C.** They refuse to migrate.
- D. They forget how to fly.

Q6: Which of these is NOT mentioned as a threat to monarchs?

- A. Loss of habitat
- B. Pesticides
- C. Predators like birds
- D. Climate change

Q7: What does the word "habitat" mean?

- A. A type of insect
- B. A home or environment where animals live
- C. A kind of weather
- D. A long journey

Q8: Why do scientists find monarch migration amazing?

- A. Because they travel at night.
- B. Because small, delicate insects can travel so far.
- C. Because they fly faster than birds.
- **D.** Because they never land.

- Q9: What is one way people can help monarchs?
- A. Plant milkweed
- B. Spray more pesticides
- C. Capture butterflies
- D. Stop recycling
- Q10: What is the author's purpose in writing this passage?
- A. To persuade readers to study birds
- B. To inform readers about monarch migration and conservation
- C. To tell a fictional story about butterflies
- D. To describe the history of Mexico
- Q11: The passage is best described as -
- A. Fiction
- B. Non-fiction informational text
- C. Poetry
- D. A diary entry
- Q12: Describe what makes the "super generation" different from other monarchs.
- Q13: List two reasons the monarch population is declining.

-	
Q15: In your own words, explain why the monarch butterfly migration is considered a natural wonder.	



Right Answers



Choose the best answer.

Q1: What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Monarchs are the largest butterflies.
- B. Monarchs are an endangered species of bird.
- C. Monarch butterflies migrate long distances and need protection.
- D. Monarch butterflies can live for many years.

Answer: C. Monarch butterflies migrate long distances and need protection.

Q2: How much does a monarch butterfly weigh?

- A. About the same as a pencil
- B. Less than a paperclip
- C. As much as a small bird
- D. The same as a coin

Answer: B. Less than a paperclip

Q3: What is special about the "super generation"?

- A. They live longer and complete the migration.
- **B.** They are larger than other butterflies.
- C. They can survive in cold weather.
- **D.** They do not eat milkweed.

Answer: A. They live longer and complete the migration.

Q4: How far can monarchs travel during migration?

- A. About 100 miles
- B. About 500 miles
- C. About 2,500 miles
- D. About 10,000 miles

Answer: C. About 2,500 miles

Q5: Why is the monarch population declining?

- A. They are hunted by people.
- B. Climate change, habitat loss, and pesticides.
- **C.** They refuse to migrate.
- D. They forget how to fly.

Answer: B. Climate change, habitat loss, and pesticides.

Q6: Which of these is NOT mentioned as a threat to monarchs?

- A. Loss of habitat
- B. Pesticides
- C. Predators like birds
- D. Climate change

Answer: C. Predators like birds

Q7: What does the word "habitat" mean?

- A. A type of insect
- B. A home or environment where animals live
- C. A kind of weather
- D. A long journey

Answer: B. A home or environment where animals live

Q8: Why do scientists find monarch migration amazing?

- A. Because they travel at night.
- B. Because small, delicate insects can travel so far.
- C. Because they fly faster than birds.
- **D.** Because they never land.

Answer: B. Because small, delicate insects can travel so far.

Q9: What is one way people can help monarchs?

- A. Plant milkweed
- B. Spray more pesticides
- C. Capture butterflies
- D. Stop recycling

Answer: A. Plant milkweed

- A. To persuade readers to study birds
- B. To inform readers about monarch migration and conservation
- C. To tell a fictional story about butterflies
- **D.** To describe the history of Mexico

Answer: B. To inform readers about monarch migration and conservation

Q11: The passage is best described as -

- A. Fiction
- B. Non-fiction informational text
- C. Poetry

D. A diary entry

Answer: B. Non-fiction informational text

Q12: Describe what makes the "super generation" different from other monarchs.

The "super generation" lives longer than other monarchs and can fly the entire journey of more than 2,500 miles.

Q13: List two reasons the monarch population is declining.

Two reasons for the decline are: (1) loss of habitat, (2) use of pesticides, and (3) climate change.

Q14: What is one action you could take to help protect monarchs?

One action to help is planting milkweed, which provides food and a place for monarchs to lay eggs.

Q15: In your own words, explain why the monarch butterfly migration is considered a natural wonder.

It is considered a natural wonder because millions of tiny butterflies travel thousands of miles, even though they are delicate creatures.