Chapter 12 Land Use Conflict in the Amazon Rainforest Questions and Study Guide

| 1- What is the land use conflict? | Different people want to use the land for different reasons. |
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| 2- What is sustainable development? | Sustainable development using resources for people to use for their own needs. |
| 3- What is biodiversity? | Animals and plants living together in a specific place. |
| 4- What is deforestation? | Destroying trees. |
| 5- What are the layers of the rainforest? | The forest floor, lower story, and the canopy. |
| 6- What proportion of the world’s living species live in the rainforest? | 50% of the world’s species live in the rainforest. |
| 7- What is the carbon-oxygen cycle? What is it’s nickname? | Oxygen in different varieties of life. It’s nicknamed lungs of the Earth. |
| 8- Why is the rainforest not good for farming? | It is because most of the fields aren’t fertile anymore and you can’t get much out of the land anymore. |
| 9- Why are the rubber tappers sustainable? | They don’t harm the tree, they asked the government to protect it, and they are also wanting to stop clearing the trees. |
| 10- What is the major benefit of logging for Brazil? | They can make fine furniture, paper, bridges, and they build roads. |
| 11- What do environmentalist groups most want to protect? Why? | They want to protect the rainforest because a lot of the species have died and there is only a small fraction of what the forest once was. |
| 12- What do the settlers in the Amazon basin do to promote sustainable development? | * Growing crops that don’t take up big pieces of land * Shade grown coffee * Strip logging |
| 13- What is the biggest threat to the rainforest? | Cattle ranchers. |
| 14- How can Brazil’s government protect the rainforest from deforestation? | Set up reserves to protect the rainforest. |