

Test 1

Questions 1–8

Do the following statements agree with the information given in Reading Passage 1?

In boxes 1–8 on your answer sheet write

TRUE *if the statement agrees with the information*
FALSE *if the statement contradicts the information*
NOT GIVEN *if there is no information on this*

- 1 The plight of the rainforests has largely been ignored by the media.
- 2 Children only accept opinions on rainforests that they encounter in their classrooms.
- 3 It has been suggested that children hold mistaken views about the ‘pure’ science that they study at school.
- 4 The fact that children’s ideas about science form part of a larger framework of ideas means that it is easier to change them.
- 5 The study involved asking children a number of yes/no questions such as ‘Are there any rainforests in Africa?’
- 6 Girls are more likely than boys to hold mistaken views about the rainforests’ destruction.
- 7 The study reported here follows on from a series of studies that have looked at children’s understanding of rainforests.
- 8 A second study has been planned to investigate primary school children’s ideas about rainforests.

Questions 9–13

The box below gives a list of responses **A–P** to the questionnaire discussed in Reading Passage 1.

Answer the following questions by choosing the correct responses A–P.

Write your answers in boxes 9–13 on your answer sheet.

- 9 What was the children's most frequent response when asked where the rainforests were?
- 10 What was the most common response to the question about the importance of the rainforests?
- 11 What did most children give as the reason for the loss of the rainforests?
- 12 Why did most children think it important for the rainforests to be protected?
- 13 Which of the responses is cited as unexpectedly uncommon, given the amount of time spent on the issue by the newspapers and television?

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| <p>A There is a complicated combination of reasons for the loss of the rainforests.</p> <p>B The rainforests are being destroyed by the same things that are destroying the forests of Western Europe.</p> <p>C Rainforests are located near the Equator.</p> <p>D Brazil is home to the rainforests.</p> <p>E Without rainforests some animals would have nowhere to live.</p> <p>F Rainforests are important habitats for a lot of plants.</p> <p>G People are responsible for the loss of the rainforests.</p> <p>H The rainforests are a source of oxygen.</p> <p>I Rainforests are of consequence for a number of different reasons.</p> <p>J As the rainforests are destroyed, the world gets warmer.</p> <p>K Without rainforests there would not be enough oxygen in the air.</p> <p>L There are people for whom the rainforests are home.</p> <p>M Rainforests are found in Africa.</p> <p>N Rainforests are not really important to human life.</p> <p>O The destruction of the rainforests is the direct result of logging activity.</p> <p>P Humans depend on the rainforests for their continuing existence.</p> |
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Question 14

Choose the correct letter, A, B, C, D or E.

Write your answer in box 14 on your answer sheet.

Which of the following is the most suitable title for Reading Passage 1?

- A** The development of a programme in environmental studies within a science curriculum
- B** Children's ideas about the rainforests and the implications for course design
- C** The extent to which children have been misled by the media concerning the rainforests
- D** How to collect, collate and describe the ideas of secondary school children
- E** The importance of the rainforests and the reasons for their destruction