

WBC Homework #7 (2020)

To be completed after reading assignments for and experiencing presentations from, class 7. Will be reviewed just prior to start of class 8..

- 1) Because of impact issues WBC backpacking groups are restricted to how many participants?
 - a. 15
 - b. Varies with managing agency and trip itinerary (hiking location).
 - c. 20
 - d. Don't worry about it! Just tell them you're with WBC!

- 2) True or False: Unless you are planning a trip in the desert you don't have to worry about checking for water sources, you can always pump more from the plentiful streams in our southern California mountains.

- 3) Name three ways to find out if the backpack trip you plan requires a permit.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.

- 4) After choosing a location and date a good trip plan includes the following:
 - a. Obtain topo map of your trip area, contact management agency for permits and current trail info and arrange transportation.
 - b. Use a topo map of your trip area to plot distance and time, use a reliable source for a weather forecast and sign the trail register if available.
 - c. Get an old trip plan from someone else and leave word of your plans with someone not going.
 - d. All of the above.

- 5) Which of the following is usually the most important consideration if you are hoping for a fun trip?
 - a. Good food.
 - b. Compatible hiking companions.
 - c. Interesting terrain.
 - d. Lots of booze.

- 6) True or False: In an area known for bears you should bury dishwater with its smelly food bits.

- 7) What does indigenous flora and fauna refer to?

- 8) What is acceptable to do if a local black bear is encountered on the trail or in camp?
 - a. Scream really loud and run like hell while scattering your trail mix to stall it!
 - b. Throw rocks, yell bad names and swing punches at it as if you were going to beat it up!
 - c. Speak really soft and soothingly while offering it food to placate it.
 - d. Don't panic, plan an escape route, call to your friends and make sure you stay ahead of them.

- 9) You find a rattlesnake on the side of the trail, what should you do?

- 10) True or False: Someone who is not allergic to poison oak will retain that immunity for life.