

Southwest Region - Early Beginnings Quiz

Name _____

Date _____

Multiple Choice

1. Which river in the Southwest begins in the Rocky Mountains in Colorado and flows 1,900 miles to the Gulf of Mexico?
 - a. Colorado River
 - b. Rio Grande
 - c. Pecos River
 - d. Gila River
2. Which state has more tornadoes than any other state?
 - a. Oklahoma
 - b. New Mexico
 - c. Arizona
 - d. Texas
3. What has always been one of the biggest challenges to living in the Southwest?
 - a. finding food
 - b. building homes
 - c. finding enough water
 - d. keeping jobs

True or False

4. The Southwest has one consistent climate throughout.

True False
5. Many animals in the Southwest get the water they need from just the food they eat. They don't need to drink extra water to survive.

True False

Matching

6. Irrigation _____ a. A large pipe or canal built to carry water
- Dam _____ b. How you can bring water to fields
- Reservoir _____ c. A manmade lake for water storage
- Aqueduct _____ d. A large wall that is built across a river to control the flow of water

Multiple Choice

7. Which of the following does not describe the beginning relationship between the Native Americans and Spaniards in the Southwest?
 - a. The Native Americans taught the Spanish irrigation techniques.
 - b. The Spaniards introduced new farming methods
 - c. The Native Americans taught the Spanish how to build with adobe.
 - d. The Spaniards showed the Native Americans how to use plants for medicine.

Matching

- 8.** Gulf Coastal _____ a. Dry with rolling grasslands
Plain
- Colorado _____ b. Has mesas and buttes
Plateau
- Great Plains _____ c. Flat and wet with swamps

Fill in the Blank

- 9.** Mesas and buttes were created by _____. The rock was worn away, by wind and water, over time, creating the shapes we see now.
- 10.** The Southwest Region is the _____ region of the United States.

BONUS QUESTIONS

Fill in the Blank

- 11.** The _____ is considered one of the seven natural wonders of the world.
- 12.** The _____ is the most famous bird in the Sonoran Desert.
- 13.** The _____ Dam was the first of many dams to be built in the Southwest.
- 14.** The sad journey of the Navajo tribe from their homeland to their new reservation is called The _____.