# Wildlife Test

Total of 50 points

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Common Name: Coyote

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Common Name: Nutria

Scientific Name: Myocaster coypus

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9. Give the common name of Species B. (2 points)

Common Name: Beaver

Scientific Name: Castor canadensis

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10. What two diseases can this non-native species spread to people, pets, and livestock through swimming areas and drinking water supplies. (2 points)

- 1. tuberculosis
- 2. septicemia

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11. These two species utilize the same types of wetland and pond habitats and will eat similar items. What is the term that best describes this type of interaction? (1 point)

- a. Predation
- b. Parasitism
- c. Commensalism
- d. Competition

Answer: \_\_\_\_(D)\_Competition\_\_\_

Here are two resources to help: <u>National Geographic</u> and <u>Seattle pi</u>

### Resource link: ODFW Lampreys

12. Which of Oregon's lamprey species are listed as Sensitive Species and also have a parasitic lifecycle? (3 points)

1. Miller Lake

2. Pacific

3. Western River

### Resource link: USFWS Pacific Lamprey

13. What are five reasons lamprey populations have declined? (5 points)

 Passage barriers (i.e. dams, culverts)
Dewatering/reduced water flows,

 Poor water quality or poisoning
 Dredging
 Stream degradation (loss of habitat) or Ocean conditions

or Predation by nonnatives



Resource link: <u>Best Management Guidelines for</u> <u>Native Lampreys During In-water Work Living</u> <u>Document</u>

14. Describe one adaptation that parasitic lampreys have and what it is used for? (1 point)

Parasitic lampreys possess sucker disc mouths with sharp teeth and for feeding on the blood, body fluids, or flesh of host species.

15. Match the habitat type pictured (right) with the associated lamprey life stage (A, B, C):

A. Larvae and juvenilesB. Juveniles (eyed) and adultsC. Larvae (3 points)

Type I - (C) Larvae

- Type II (A) Larvae and juveniles
- Type III (B) Juveniles (eved) and adults



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16. True or False? – As larval lampreys grow and transform, they gradually shift from burrowing in coarse substrates to fine sediments. (1 point)

### False

17. What other wildlife species should be considered as part of lamprey management and salvage operations. (1 point)

Freshwater (native) mussels



Resource link: Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Watch the 5-minute video (Why Lamprey Matter to the Tribes)

19. What are two ways lamprey ("eels") are mentioned as culturally significant to Columbia River Basin Tribes in the video? (2 points)

Food source, spiritually (part of daily life), as a natural resource

20. Describe one way Tribes are helping with the restoration of lamprey species according to the video? (1 point)

Collecting eels at dams and take inland for release into homeland streams

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21. Analyze the graph on the website (Pacific Lamprey Passing Lower Granite Dam). What was the drop in the lamprey population count between the highest population year and the lowest year? (1 point)

1,110 lampreys

#### Pacific Lamprey Passing Lower Granite Dam

The number of lamprey counted passing Lower Granite Dam—the last of the lower Snake River dams—has been steadily declining, with several years of extremely low returns. (Counts began in 1995.)



18. Using <u>USFWS Pacific Lamprey</u> and <u>Best Management</u> <u>Guidelines</u>, match the lifecycle stage/phrases (green boxes) with the circle diagram pictured right in the correct phase order (move photos and corresponding green word boxes on top of pie slices). (4 points)



### Resource link: Salmon Migration Storymap

22. According to the Environmental Protection Agency's 2020 analysis, what was determined to be the primary culprit of warm water detrimental to salmon in the Columbia and Snake Rivers? (1 point)

### Reservoirs behind the lower Snake River dams are the primary culprit.

23. How many miles of spawning habitat are available in the region (if the lower Snake River was free-flowing)? (1 point)

### 5,500 miles

24. How many species rely on salmon to survive? (1 point)

### **Over 130 species**



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25. What are the four dams affecting salmon populations on the Snake River? (4 points)

- 1. Ice Harbor Dam
- 2. Lower Monumental Dam
- 3. Little Goose Dam
- 4. Lower Granite Dam

26. In 2019, how many Sockeye Salmon made it back to central Idaho to spawn? (1 point)

Α.	4	
В.	27	
C.	14	
D.	50	

Answer: <u>B</u>



### Resource link: Salmon People

27. According to the Nez Perce Seasonal Round, name the 2 plants that most correspond with the same season as Spring Chinook salmon. (2 points)

- 1. Spring Beauty
- 2. Camas



Use the second half of this article (hint: look for picture on the right): Salmon People

28. What is one way that the Nez Perce tribe has increased salmon populations? (1 point)

Created a hatchery program where they spawn salmon <u>OR</u> Put dead fish back in the river to feed the web of life.

29. Name two salmon species that have benefitted from the Nez Perce tribe: (1 point)

### **Coho and Chinook**

30. Name another wildlife species that the Tribe has helped. How do they assist this species? (2 points)

Lamprey - they rescue lamprey that are trapped in fish ladders at lower Columbia dams and offer them sanctuary at their hatchery.



# End of Wildlife Test!

Team total \_\_\_\_/ 50 points

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