

Answers to Northwest Territories Quizzes

Test Your Knowledge

What do you remember from your review of the Northwest Territories section of the E-Atlas?

1. The first people to inhabit the Northwest Territories probably came via
 - a) the Great Plains
 - b) the Beringia Land Bridge**
 - c) canoe, up the Mackenzie River
 - d) from South America, northward through the valleys of the Western Cordillera

2. The first European exploration of this area was undertaken by employees of
 - a) The Northwest Fur Trading Company
 - b) Queen Isabella of Spain
 - c) Hudson's Bay Company**
 - d) Canadian National Railway

3. The boundaries of the Northwest Territories were finally established in
 - a) 1867
 - b) 1870
 - c) 1905
 - d) 1999**

4. Which of the following does *not* have a boundary with the Northwest Territories?
 - a) Alaska**
 - b) Nunavut
 - c) Saskatchewan
 - d) British Columbia

5. Which of the following explorers was important for the area that is now the Northwest Territories?
 - a) John Franklin**
 - b) John Cabot
 - c) Martin Frobisher
 - d) Albert Faille

6. Which of the following physiographic regions is *not* represented in the Northwest Territories?
 - a) Canadian Shield
 - b) Hudson Bay Lowlands**
 - c) Interior Plains
 - d) Arctic Lowlands

7. Yellowknife is located on
 - a) Great Slave Lake**
 - b) Great Bear Lake
 - c) The Mackenzie River
 - d) Mackenzie Bay

8. Which of the following national parks is shared with Alberta?
- a) Nahanni
 - b) Tuktut
 - c) Wood Buffalo**
 - d) Aulavik
9. The population of the Northwest Territories
- a) is higher today than it has ever been
 - b) is lower today than it has ever been
 - c) was higher in 1891 than it is today**
 - d) was higher in 1961 than it is today
10. The biggest difference in the climate between Inuvik and Fort Smith is
- a) the season in which the precipitation falls
 - b) the total amount of precipitation**
 - c) the July temperature
 - d) the amount of snowfall in March

Practise Your Skills

Interpret maps and other data. Where necessary, use information in the Pearson School Atlas to answer these questions.

11. Which of the following represents the flow of water in the Northwest Territories?
 - a) Mackenzie Bay—Mackenzie River—Great Slave Lake—Slave River
 - b) Slave River—Great Slave Lake—Great Bear Lake—Mackenzie River
 - c) Slave River—Great Slave Lake—Mackenzie River—Mackenzie Bay**
 - d) Slave River—Great Bear Lake—Great Slave Lake—Mackenzie River

12. The most northerly island in the Northwest Territories is
 - a) Banks
 - b) Melville
 - c) Borden**
 - d) Victoria

13. Which of the following is not located on the delta of the Mackenzie River?
 - a) Old Crow**
 - b) Inuvik
 - c) Aklavik
 - d) Tuktoyaktuk

14. Which of the following modes of transportation are available in at least some parts of the Northwest Territories?
 - a) air
 - b) road
 - c) rail
 - d) all of the above**

15. To drive from Yellowknife to Inuvik, you would have to pass through:
 - a) Northwest Territories—Nunavut—then back to the Northwest Territories
 - b) Northwest Territories—British Columbia—Yukon—then back to the Northwest Territories**
 - c) Northwest Territories—Alberta—Yukon—then back to the Northwest Territories
 - d) Northwest Territories—British Columbia—Alaska—then back to the Northwest Territories

Research to Discover. . .

Use resources at your school library or on the Internet to find the answers to these questions. (Hint: the search engines at www.google.ca or www.yahooligans.com might be helpful.)

16. The urban population of the Northwest Territories
 - a) is smaller than the rural population
 - b) is concentrated in Yellowknife**
 - c) was less in 2001 than it was in 1961
 - d) dropped dramatically in 1999 when Nunavut was formed

17. Pingos are unique geological landforms that can be found in the circumpolar world, usually between the latitude of 65° or 75° degrees North. These volcano-shaped hills grow mostly in areas that experience permanent or continuous permafrost and rarely, in areas that have discontinuous permafrost. Pingos are commonly found in
 - a) Mackenzie Delta**
 - b) Cold deserts
 - c) the Canadian Shield
 - d) Glaciers

18. Ekati, Diavik and Snap Lake are
 - a) the sites of prehistoric settlements
 - b) areas protected by the government of the Northwest Territories
 - c) diamond mines**
 - d) the names of the three universities in the Northwest Territories

19. The largest diamond producing country in the world (by value) is
 - a) Botswana**
 - b) Russia
 - c) South Africa
 - d) Australia

20. The future economic development of the Northwest Territories will probably be based on
 - a) tourism
 - b) forestry, farming, and fishing
 - c) minerals**
 - d) federal government funding

Suggested Answers to Student Activities

1. Assessment Master 1 Mapping (page 451 in the *Pearson School Atlas Teacher Resource* can be used to assess 1.2, and Assessment Master 13 Supported Opinion Writing (page 463) can be used with parts 1.3 and 1.4 of this activity.
2. Assessment Master 11 Research Report (page 461 in the *Pearson School Atlas Teacher Resource*.) Depending upon the nature of the small group work undertaken in the classroom setting, Assessment Master 8 Oral Report (page 458), and Assessment Master 14 Working Co-operatively (page 464) will also be useful.
3. Assessment Master 10 Problem Solving (page 460 in the *Pearson School Atlas Teacher Resource*) can be used with this activity.
4. Depending upon how you wish to structure the assignment, either Assessment Master 11 Research Report or Assessment Master 12 Formal Essay can be used with this activity.