Answers to questions about the UMESC Outdoor Classroom

- 1. What is the largest terrestrial salamander found in the floodplain? **Tiger salamander**
- 2. Which snake will play dead when threatened? Hognose
- 3. About how many species of birds use the backwaters of the Mississippi River? **100**
- 4. What are dead trees called? snags
- 5. Which ways are wetlands beneficial?

they help purify water by absorbing pollutants, they provide wildlife habitat, and they help stop shoreline erosion

- 6. What is a stinkpot? turtle
- 7. Turtles are amphibians. false
- 8. Young beavers are called kits
- 9. What does the eastern milk snake eat? small rodents
- 10. Which snake can hiss loudly and be mistaken for a rattlesnake? **bull snake**
- 11. How long can raccoons live? 15 years
- 12. Which of the following turtles is endangered? blanding's turtle
- 13. Why are macroinvertebrates important?

food for fish, birds and amphibians

14. What is the range of the eastern massasauga rattlesnake?

southern Ontario and much of US

- 15. Which of the following are invertebrates?
- aquatic insects, worms, and crayfish
- 16. What is a snag called after it falls to the ground? Log
- 17. What are the two rattlesnakes found in Wisconsin?

Timber and massasauga

- 18. How long can beavers stay underwater? **15 minutes**
- 19. What is the largest rattlesnake in Wisconsin? Timber rattlesnake
- 20. What is the most widely distributed turtle that is eaten by humans? snapping turtle
- 21. What is Wisconsin's most endangered reptile?

massasauga rattlesnake