

Answers to questions about the UMESC Learning Lab

1. Name the only two poisonous snakes found in Wisconsin (both are rattlesnakes). **Timber and Eastern Massasauga**
2. What are the most threatened group of animals in the world? **Freshwater mussels**
3. List one example of an invertebrate (an animal without a spine)? **Plankton, mussel, insects, snail, leech, crayfish**
4. What is one of the largest fish in the Mississippi River that is threatened or endangered? **Paddlefish**
5. What are paddlefish eggs used for? **Caviar**
6. What do paddlefish eat? **Plankton**
7. What marks on a fish=s scales tell how old the fish is? **Annuli**
8. Fish are cold blooded animals- true or false **True**
9. What is a young fish called that has not developed all the fin rays yet? **larval fish**
10. What do northern pike eat? **Fish, frogs, crayfish, small mammals and birds**
11. About how old would a largemouth bass in Wisconsin be that is about 12 inches long? **4 years**
12. What is the largest terrestrial salamander in the world? **Tiger salamander**
13. Name two frogs you saw in the Learning Lab. **Green frog, Gray tree frog, Mink frog, Wood frog or Leopard frog**
14. Is a turtle a reptile or amphibian? **Reptile**
15. Are salamanders amphibians? **Yes**
16. Name one difference between frogs and toads. **Toads have poison gland behind the eyes, a chubby body and shorter legs**
17. What do painted turtles eat? **Animals (insects, snails, fish) and plants**
18. What do frogs eat? **Insects, fish, and worms**
19. What is Wisconsin=s only endangered amphibian? **Northern cricket frog**
20. Name two salamanders found in Wisconsin. **Tiger salamander and blue-spotted salamander**
21. Name two fish that like warmer water temperatures (70 to 80 degrees Fahrenheit) to live in? **Catfish (3 species), largemouth bass, or bluegill**
22. What fish in the aquarium tanks has spines that sting or poke us when we catch them? **Catfish**