

Student handout

Dr. Bruin's Very Pedantic Jasper Quiz



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Welcome to Jasper National Park
**Do not feed the bears
or pet them excessively**



Check any answers that *might* be right

This is a really tough test. Some questions may not have any correct answer! But at least it's okay to ask your friends. I wouldn't bother asking your teachers. They probably don't know.

1. Where does the name “Jasper” come from?

- From Jasper the Bear, of course.
- From this weird kind of rock.
- From a fur-trade guy named Jasper Hawes.

2. Who are the “Five Lakes” named after?

- Mr. and Mrs. Five.
- Their children, One through Five.
- There used to be six, but one got lost.

3. What should you do when you see a bear?

- Run away, screaming.
- Sit down with the bear and tell stories.
- Stop, bunch up, and let the bear move on.

4. From the list of wildflowers below, pick any two.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Wild rose | <input type="checkbox"/> Bloomin' heather |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Harebell | <input type="checkbox"/> Puccoon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paintbrush | <input type="checkbox"/> One-toed baby's-bottom |

✗ Wait! Wait! No picking wildflowers in the park!

5. When a glacier retreats,

- It goes back up the mountain for another load of rocks.
- It melts back faster than the ice is moving forward.
- It goes into a long period of thoughtful silence.

6. When you're hiking with a group,

- Stick together.
- Go running off ahead, so you can get lost.
- Hum loudly to yourself.

7. When you come to a trail intersection,

- Make sure everybody is there before going farther.
- Flip a coin to decide which way to go.
- Read the directional sign, if there is one.
- If there's no sign, hope you brought a map.

8. “Athabasca” is a Cree word that means

- The place where the reeds grow.
- No, no. Not reeds. *Bulrushes*.
- The place where the tourists go over the railings, fall into the river and drown.

9. The purpose of Jasper National Park is

- To make the shopkeepers of Jasper rich.
- To give Edmontonians a cool place to party.
- To give all Canadians a place to enjoy the wilderness without harming it.
- To give the animals and plants of the Rockies a safe place to live.

10. When you eat an orange,

- It's okay to throw the peels into the woods, because animals will eat them.
- It's not okay to throw the peels into the woods, because animals will not eat them.

11. Bonus question! What does “pedantic” mean, anyway?

- Expressing one's knowledge tediously.
- I have no idea.

End of test. You may stop thinking now.