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# Week 11: Assignment 11

The due date for submitting this assignment has passed.

**Due on 2021-10-13, 23:59 IST.**

As per our records you have not submitted this assignment.

1) What is the difference between 'formal knowledge' and the 'traditional ecological knowledge' (TEK)?

1 point

- Formal knowledge is based on experiential process while TEK is textbook-based  
 Both formal and traditional ecological knowledge are based on experiences  
 Formal knowledge is based on textbooks, while the traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) derived through an experiential process  
 Both formal and traditional knowledge are textbook-based

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*Formal knowledge is based on textbooks, while the traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) derived through an experiential process*

2) Which of the following statement is not correct about mountain communities?

1 point

- Mountain societies are characterized by the close interconnection  
 They depend upon the natural resources in general  
 They have an atomistic view of the social and ecological system  
 Their relationship extends beyond the biophysical ecology; social, cultural and spiritual dimensions also play a significant role

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*They have an atomistic view of the social and ecological system*

3) What is vermicomposting?

1 point

- Use of dry leaves or dry woods to prepare compost from high-quality organic matter like animal dung  
 Use of epigeic (surface-living) earthworms or garbage worms to prepare compost from high-quality organic matter like animal dung  
 Both 'A' and 'B'  
 None of these

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*Use of epigeic (surface-living) earthworms or garbage worms to prepare compost from high-quality organic matter like animal dung*

4) Which of the following statement is not correct about subsistence economy?

1 point

- Subsistence economy is directed to market and is based on industrialization  
 It is based on consistent income from sources such as agriculture, NTFPs and sale of medicinal herbs  
 It is directed to basic subsistence rather than to market  
 Here, economic surplus is minimal and only used to trade for basic goods, and there is no industrialization

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*Subsistence economy is directed to market and is based on industrialization*

5) What does the sacred groves denote?

1 point

- Natural vegetation dedicated by local communities to the industries  
 Modern means of biodiversity  
 Natural vegetation dedicated by local communities to ancestral spirit or deities  
 None of these

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*Natural vegetation dedicated by local communities to ancestral spirit or deities*

6) What does traditional beliefs and practices indicate?

1 point

- Symbiotic relationship of humans and nature  
 Social relationship of humans and nature  
 Scientific relationship of humans and nature  
 Economical relationship of humans and nature

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*Symbiotic relationship of humans and nature*

7) Which of the following statements are not true about Kuki tribals?

1 point

- Kuki believe that there is an economic relationship between mankind and supernatural spirits  
 They have a spiritual connection with, and are linked in a 'natural' way to the land they live in and have special responsibilities  
 Kuki believe that mankind co-exists with supernatural spirits and maintain a symbiotic relationship with them  
 Kuki tribal land and resource use are influenced by their natural environment

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*Kuki believe that there is an economic relationship between mankind and supernatural spirits*

8) Which animal is considered as the sacred 'Vohpi' among the Kuki community?

1 point

- Horse  
 Elephant  
 Pig  
 Cow

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*Pig*

9) Which ritual is known as the greatest feast among the Kuki?

1 point

- Chon ritual  
 Ai-saan  
 Siel-meilah  
 None of these

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*Chon ritual*

10) What does siel-meilah refer

1 point

- A rite that entails cutting off the mithun's (wild bull's) tail  
 A rite that entails worshiping forests  
 It constitutes the greatest test of one's loyalty and courage  
 Both 'A' and 'C'

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

*Both 'A' and 'C'*