



Middle School Scientists

Bears of Glacier Bay Pre-Test (Teacher's Key)

Multiple Choice (1 point each)

1. Bears eat almost anything they can find, including nuts, seeds, berries, fish, and meat, so they are
 - A. herbivores.
 - B. omnivores.**
 - C. carnivores.
 - D. none of the above.
2. Bears are naturally aggressive towards humans.
 - A. True
 - B. False**
3. A method for the systematic pursuit of knowledge is the
 - A. Socratic method.
 - B. ~~worst method~~
 - C. scientific method.**
 - D. hypothesis.
4. If bears get food from humans once, they are likely to try again.
 - A. True**
 - B. False

Fill in the blank (1 point each)

Choose from these words:

carcass	forage	bear resistant food containers (BRFC)
	maturity	habituation scat

1. When a male brown bear reaches **maturity** , he may be 1400 pounds.
2. Bears **forage** for food during the spring, summer, and fall.
3. Bear researchers study **scat** to see what a bear has eaten.
4. **Bear resistant food containers** can prevent bears from becoming conditioned to human food.



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Short Answer (2 points)

What are two things you can do to stay safe in bear country?

Make noise, not give bears food, don't run, carry bear spray, stand your ground, don't leave food or birdseed outside your house, avoid surprising bears, hike with friends