

Oceans Practice Questions

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1. Most water vapor in the atmosphere comes from
 - A. evaporation from soil.
 - B. evaporation from oceans.
 - C. transpiration from plants.
 - D. the burning of fossil fuels.

2. Where is most of Earth's freshwater?
 - A. In the ground
 - B. In the atmosphere
 - C. In lakes and rivers
 - D. In glaciers and icecaps

3. The drilling for freshwater increases along a coastal area. What is a likely consequence of this action?
 - A. an intrusion of salt water into aquifers
 - B. the loss of water resources in estuaries
 - C. the destruction of estuaries because of an increase in sea levels
 - D. a decrease in salt concentration in inlet waterways

4. Which *best* describes the characteristics of a river basin?
 - A. the land drained by a river and its tributaries
 - B. the land formed when rivers create estuaries and marshes
 - C. the land at the mouth of a river where water flows into the ocean
 - D. the land formed as a result of a river flooding

5. Which best describes the Gulf Stream?
 - A. a warm air mass that brings strong thunderstorms
 - B. a warm ocean current that influences weather along the east coast of the United States
 - C. a body of cold water in the Atlantic Ocean

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1.
Answer: B
2.
Answer: D
3.
Answer: A
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Answer: A
5.
Answer: B