

Discover North Carolina's River Basins

Name: _____
 Date: _____

1. What is a river basin?
2. How is this similar to a watershed?
3. How is the health of the aquatic ecosystem directly related to activities on land?
4. How many major river systems are in North Carolina?
5. Which ones flow to the Mississippi River Basin?
6. Where do the others flow
7. What is the area of the Neuse River Basin?

Information specifically about the Neuse River Basin (use the insert)

8. Where does the Neuse begin?
9. Where does it end?
10. How many miles long is it?
 How many miles wide? What's unique about this?
11. Name the major tributaries (creeks and other rivers)
12. The Neuse River empties into the Albemarle-Pamlico estuary. What's the significance of this area?
13. Name some of the species that are from here - include migrational, recreational, and commercial species.
14. What creature is found in the Neuse River and nowhere else in the world?
15. What are the biggest threats to water quality in the Neuse River?
16. What is the relationship between hog farms and pollution along the Neuse?
17. Regulations known as the "Neuse Rules" pertain to property owners. What do they state?
18. How do these rules apply to industries and municipalities (cities and towns)?
19. How do population growth and its development affect water pollution?
20. What can YOU and your family do to help protect North Carolina's water systems?

