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Connections – It's Time To Be Counted!

Census 2010 is just around the corner. What is a census? Read the selection, "It's Time to Be Counted!" to find out. Then, think of 10 questions you think would be important to include on a census.

Write your questions here:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Share your questions with friends, classmates and/or family members. Do they have other questions they think should be asked in a census? Why are these important questions to answer in a census? What can these questions tell us about the population of the United States?

NAME _____



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Saint Patrick's Day

Although it originated in Ireland, Saint Patrick's Day is now celebrated all over the world. Read all about this interesting holiday and then compare how it is celebrated in Ireland and the United States.

1. Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated on: _____.

2. Is the holiday celebrated in the same way in both Ireland and the United States?

YES _____

NO _____

3. How is Saint Patrick's Day celebrated in Ireland?

4. How do people in the United States celebrate Saint Patrick's Day?

5. How do YOU celebrate Saint Patrick's Day?



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Wildville – Tiger

Match the vocabulary words from “Wildville – Tiger” with their correct definitions to learn more about tigers.

1. Adaptable _____
2. Nocturnal _____
3. Carnivore _____
4. Extinct _____
5. Endangered _____
6. Prey _____
7. Stalk _____

- A. No longer living
- B. An animal species existing in such small numbers that it is threatened with extinction
- C. Active at night
- D. An animal hunted or caught as food
- E. Able to adjust or change
- F. To look for and hunt game
- G. A flesh-eating animal



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What's It Like To Be A ... Professional Performer

As a professional performer, Autumn Hurlbert is a singer, musician, dancer AND actress! What do you think it takes to become a professional performer? Read the selection to find out. Then, answer the questions below.

1. According to Autumn, being a professional performer takes a lot of determination. What else does it take? Write a list of three characteristics she thinks a professional performer should have.

2. What are three things Autumn does to get ready for a performance?

3. What are three difficult things about Autumn's profession?

4. What are three highlights of Autumn's career so far?

5. What are three pieces of advice that Autumn has for kids who are interested in being a professional performer?



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Answer Key

Saint Patrick's Day

1. March 17th
2. NO
3. In Ireland, Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated as a religious holiday. It is a day of special religious worship services and a time that can be spent with family and friends.
4. People in the United States celebrate Saint Patrick's Day by wearing green outfits, throwing parties, and having parades.
5. Answers will vary. Possible answers include: I dress in green; I make shamrock cards for my friends; My family and I go to church.

Wildville -- Tiger

1. E
2. C
3. G
4. A
5. B
6. D
7. F

What's It Like to Be ... A Professional Performer?

1. Answers will include three of the following: faith, self-motivation, ambition, persistence, love, be ok with the word "no," the ability to seek out auditions with your own resources
2. Warms up her body and voice with exercise and stretches; Does focus exercises like meditation; Puts on costume and makeup
3. Answers will include three of the following: You never get to rest; You have to practice, practice, practice; You are constantly striving to be better and better; There is a lot of competition; You are constantly challenging yourself artistically and creatively.
4. Performing on Broadway; Performing at the Palace Theater; Singing the National Anthem at a Mets pennant game
5. Answers will include three of the following: Learn to play multiple instruments; Learn to play different kinds of music; Never stop practicing, listening, and experimenting; Never stop