

APES: American Experience: Earth Days

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Directions: *Answer the following questions as you watch the video. Some of the questions require you to use prior knowledge or logic to answer.*

1: Explain how the **values of conservation and frugality** changed in America after the war.

2: Almost **all environmental problems** are tied to: _____

3: *What gases* are produced as a result of paper mills?

4: *Which element* is found in all living things now that didn't used to even exist?

5: What were the consequences of Rachel Carson's book, "*Silent Spring*"?

6: Comment on the fact that the accumulation of more material goods makes people less happy (*in general*).

7: How have humans **violated some of the basic laws of ecology**? (*Hint: how do we get energy?*)

8: *What happened* in New York City in 1966?

9: *Which animal* was at the top of the 1st list of Endangered Species?

10: *Which organization* helped to stop the damming of the Grand Canyon?

11: What is the difference between the **environmental movement** and the **conservation movement**?

12: What was the *name of the book* written by Paul Erlich? *What was the topic*?

13: What was the **population of the Earth** in 1968? What is the population now?

14: What did **Stephanie Mills** say in her graduation speech? *What did she vow to do*?

15: What does “*going back to the land*” mean? What is your opinion? Could you grow your own food? Could you take care of yourself/not depend on others for your survival?

16: What contribution did **Jacques Cousteau** give to the environmental movement? How?

17: How does the photograph of the Earth from space help us to realize that we are living on “*an island*”?

18: When was the first “*Earth Day*”?

19: What was the *media’s reaction* to the plan for Earth Day?

20: How many people participated in the first Earth Day?

21: How did Earth Day help to united people in a common cause?

22: Who were the “*Dirty Dozen*” (not specific names):

23: What are some of the **environmental laws** that were passed in the early 1970’s?

24: What **agency** did Nixon sign into law?

25: People think changes happen linearly, but in fact, environmental problems happen : _____

26: What is “*overshoot and collapse*” and when does this happen?

27: How can people today relate to the **Ancient Mesopotamians, Egyptians, Mayans, Romans, and Greeks?**

28: What happened during the **Arab Oil Embargo**?

29: What could have happened during the Arab Oil Embargo but didnt....?

30: Why do politicians not push *energy initiatives or environmental issues*?

31: What did the **Sierra Club** want logging companies to do?

32: Explain **sustainable logging**:

33: Why did GM *not create an electric or alternative energy vehicle* years ago?

34: What did the **California Energy Commission** do?

35: Which president had **solar water heaters** installed on White House roof?

36: Which president “*shut down*” the alternative energy movement?

37: What is the “*tipping point*”?

38: Complete this quote: “We have not inherited the Earth but rather, we have _____
_____”

Reflect on what you have learned by watching this documentary- give your opinion.