Facts on Forest Change

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1. In what year did the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) begin publishing the Global Forest Resources Assessment?

A) 1948
B) 1960
C) 1975
D) 1990

2. Approximately what percentage of the world's land surface is covered by forests according to FAO data?

A) 10%
B) 31%
C) 55%
D) 70%

3. The 'Great Green Wall' initiative, aimed at planting trees across Africa's Sahel region, was launched in which year?

A) 1995
B) 2002
C) 2007
D) 2015

4. According to the World Bank, about how many hectares of forest are lost to deforestation globally every year?

A) 1 million
B) 10 million
C) 50 million
D) 100 million

5. The United Nations declared the years 2021-2030 to be the 'Decade on...' what?

A) Ocean Cleanup
B) Ecosystem Restoration
C) Climate Awareness
D) Renewable Energy

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6. Which country, often cited for its successful reforestation policy, increased its forest cover from 20% in 1980 to over 50% today?

A) Costa Rica
B) Brazil
C) Canada
D) Australia

7. In 1992, the 'Forest Principles' were adopted during which major international summit?

A) Paris Agreement
B) Rio Earth Summit
C) Kyoto Protocol
D) Copenhagen Summit

8. The Bonn Challenge, a global goal to restore 150 million hectares of degraded land, was launched in what year?

A) 2005
B) 2011
C) 2018
D) 2020

9. Roughly how many trees are estimated to be cut down globally each year?

A) 1 billion
B) 5 billion
C) 15 billion
D) 50 billion

10. Which international organization manages the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certification system established in 1993?

A) FSC
B) WWF
C) Greenpeace
D) UNESCO

11. The Amazon Rainforest contains what approximate percentage of the world's known terrestrial species?

A) 5%
B) 10%
C) 25%
D) 40%

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12. What is the minimum canopy cover percentage generally used by the FAO to define 'forest'?

A) 5%
B) 10%
C) 25%
D) 50%

13. In what year did the Kyoto Protocol, which included provisions for reforestation as a carbon sink, open for signature?

A) 1990
B) 1997
C) 2005
D) 2010

14. The 'Trillion Tree Campaign' was launched by the United Nations Environment Programme in which year?

A) 2000
B) 2006
C) 2012
D) 2020

15. Which country historically hosts the world's largest tropical rainforest?

A) Brazil
B) Indonesia
C) Democratic Republic of the Congo
D) Peru

16. Global forest loss peaked in the 1990s at an annual rate of approximately how many million hectares?

A) 5
B) 16
C) 30
D) 50

17. The 'Asia-Pacific Network for Sustainable Forest Management and Rehabilitation' (APFNet) was established in which year?

A) 2002
B) 2008
C) 2015
D) 2021

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18. Approximately how many people depend directly on forests for their livelihoods according to the UN?

A) 100 million
B) 500 million
C) 1.6 billion
D) 3 billion

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