



The Bermuda Triangle

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1) By what name is the Bermuda Triangle also known?

The Devil's Triangle

2) Who was the first person to suggest that the area was triangular?

George Sand

3) List three supernatural theories which have been suggested to explain the Bermuda Triangle.

The island of Atlantis
Aliens and UFOs
Portals to
other dimensions

4) What was first thought to be the explanation for the disappearance of the USS Cyclops?

German torpedoes

5) Who was the Flight Commander of flight 19?

Charles Taylor



Answers

6) What powerful current passes through the area of the Bermuda Triangle?

The Gulf Stream

7) What is the official reason currently given for the disappearance of Flight 19?

Cause unknown

8) Which section of the text gives logical reasons which might explain the disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle?

Scientific explanations

9) Look at page one. Find a word or phrase which suggests that the Bermuda Triangle is very intriguing.

Captured the public imagination

10) Look at the section titled 'Flight 19'. Find one word which has a similar meaning to 'unlucky'.

ill-fated

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Answers

11) ... the weather began to deteriorate and radio contact became intermittent...

Which of these is closest to the meaning of 'intermittent' as it is used here? Tick one.

constant	
happening at irregular intervals	x
clearer	
quieter	

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12) Look at the section titled 'Flight 19'. Find one word which suggests the mission was one which had been carried out many times before.

routine

13) Look at the section titled 'Scientific explanations'.

Find and copy one word or phrase that suggests the Bermuda Triangle is famous for being a dangerous place.

Fearsome reputation



Answers

14) *It is in our nature to understand the world, to use reason and evidence to support this understanding. But this can be a double-edged sword...*

This suggests that.....

	Tick one
Using reason and evidence can be very dangerous.	
Using reason and evidence can prove scientific theories.	
Using reason and evidence can bring disadvantages as well as advantages.	x
Using reason and evidence is not helpful.	

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15) Complete the table below with two pieces of evidence to support the statement.

	Impression
The disappearance of Flight 19 was mysterious.	<p>No trace of the planes has been found.</p> <p>The plane sent to find them disappeared as well.</p> <p>The crew were very experienced pilots but became lost.</p> <p>The disappearance is still listed as 'cause unknown'.</p> <p>Radio contact kept getting lost.</p> <p>The last message which some claim to have heard is odd.</p>



16) Complete the table below with one piece of evidence to support each statement.

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	Evidence
The Bermuda Triangle is a dangerous place.	Tropical storms can happen here. There is a strong Gulf Stream. Compasses do not work properly here.
The Bermuda Triangle is not an especially dangerous place.	Most people who travel through here can do so without anything happening. The number of planes and ships disappearing here is not noticeably higher than similar places. Insurance companies do not list it within the ten most dangerous waters in the world to travel through.