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Giant Water Bug Quiz

1. Giant water bugs prefer to live in _____.
 - a. salt water
 - b. swift-moving water
 - c. slow-moving water
 - d. waterfalls

2. The giant water bug, a "true bug," is a member of the family _____.
 - a. Hydrophilidae
 - b. Dystiscidae
 - c. Apidae
 - d. Belostomatidae

3. The giant water bug's nickname is _____.
 - a. toe-biter
 - b. whirligig beetle
 - c. doodlebug
 - d. water tiger

4. Adult giant water bugs capture prey by using _____.
 - a. powerful mandibles
 - b. a sticky tongue
 - c. two front legs
 - d. mud traps

5. The two pairs of hind legs are used _____.
 - a. to create a lasso to capture prey
 - b. to grab hold of plants
 - c. to run
 - d. to swim

6. When the giant water bug catches prey, it _____.
 - a. pulls the prey into the mud
 - b. injects toxins into the prey
 - c. drowns the prey
 - d. chews up the prey

7. The giant water bug _____.
 - a. stores prey for future meals
 - b. swallows its prey whole
 - c. sucks out its prey's digested body fluids
 - d. chews up the undigested prey's body

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8. Giant water bugs breathe by _____.
 - a. swimming up above the water to gulp air
 - b. sticking their abdomens out of the water
 - c. using lungs
 - d. crawling out of the water

9. Adult giant water bugs have _____ mouth parts.
 - a. reduced
 - b. chewing
 - c. piercing and sucking
 - d. lapping and grinding

10. After it hatches from the egg, a giant water bug is called _____.
 - a. an infant
 - b. an ova
 - c. a maggot
 - d. a nymph

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