

Sturgeon Test

Date:

Name:

1. Write the word True or False in the blank provided. (1 mark each)

- a) _____ Sturgeon are found only in the Fraser River.
- b) _____ Sturgeon stop growing when they reach the juvenile stage.
- c) _____ In early 1900, sturgeon were caught primarily for their eggs.
- d) _____ Sturgeon can grow to over 6 metres in length and 600 kg.
- e) _____ First Nations people used oil from the sturgeon for medicinal purposes.
- f) _____ After 12-14 days from the start of their life cycle, the sturgeon larvae absorb their yolk sac.
- g) _____ First Nations people used isinglass from the sturgeon's swim bladder as glue for pottery and tools.
- h) _____ Female sturgeon lay eggs in a nest made of rocks and sticks.
- i) _____ Female sturgeon usually spawn every year of their life.
- j) _____ Sturgeon have been on earth for only 100 million years.

2. List the six stages of a sturgeon life cycle in correct order and describe when the stage begins. (6 marks)

Name of the Stage	Stage begins...
1) _____	_____
2) _____	_____
3) _____	_____
4) _____	_____
5) _____	_____
6) _____	m_____ f_____

3. Explain how a sturgeon eats food. As part of your explanation, refer to the different structures around a sturgeon's mouth and how they help it to eat. (5 marks)

4. List three different factors about the water that are needed for sturgeon eggs to survive during the first stage of its life cycle. (3 marks)

5. There are many different threats that affect the survival of sturgeon. Provide a detailed explanation of one of these threats we examined in class. (6 marks)

***** Bonus: Correctly spell the formal, latin name for the Fraser River White Sturgeon?**