

1. During the summer of 1910, weather conditions in the northwestern United States (29) an unprecedented event.
2. A drought had left vast amounts of dry wood and vegetation in the region's forests.
3. This provided the fuel for numerous small fires ignited both by lightning and stray embers from passing trains.
4. Strong winds caused these fires to combine into one huge blaze that spread at terrific speed.
5. The blaze, which became known as the "Big Burn" devastated over 12,000 square kilometers.
6. *Choose the correct answer to fill in the blank from these choices.
7. (29) 1 alerted the government to 2 set the stage for
3 were attributed to 4 improved because of

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Forest Service so it could manage and protect this land.

17. His efforts (30) powerful commercial interests.
18. Many big businesses treated America's forests as an inexhaustible resource that was theirs for the taking, and they lobbied hard against conservation.
19. As a result, the Forest Service lacked the manpower and resources to effectively combat the Big Burn, but the devastation finally convinced Congress of the importance of supporting the agency.
20. It was granted more funding and succeeded in acquiring millions of acres of wilderness.
21. *Choose the correct answer to fill in the blank from these choices.
22. (30) 1 boosted public support for 2 echoed the opinion of
23. 3 changed the view of 4 were frustrated by

Further Questions&&Sample Answers

24. 4) Who was Gifford Pinchot?

25. *Gifford Pinchot was the first chief of the U.S. Forest Service.*
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27. **5) Why did the Forest Service lack manpower and resources?**
28. *Many big businesses lobbied hard against conservation.*
29.
30. **6) What convinced Congress of the importance of supporting the agency?**
31. *The devastation finally convinced Congress of the importance of supporting the agency.*

32. Understandably, the Forest Service henceforth took its mission to be the rapid suppression of all fires, both natural and man-made, in the areas it managed.
33. Strict implementation of this policy, however, meant that dead wood accumulated on many forest floors.
34. Over the years, this became a huge source of fuel just waiting to ignite, and some of the worst forest fires on record occurred throughout the United States between 2000 and 2008

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Review Questions



45. **1) Why were there vast amounts of dry wood and vegetation in the region's forests?**
A drought had left vast amounts of dry wood and vegetation in the region's forests.
46. **2) What happened because of the strong winds?**
Strong winds caused the small fires to combine into one huge blaze that spread at terrific speed.
47. **3) How large of an area was devastated by the "Big Burn"?**
The blaze devastated over 12,000 square kilometers.
48. **4) Who was Gifford Pinchot?**
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51. 7) What policy did the Forest Service implement?
It rapidly suppressed all fires, both natural and man-made.
52. 8) What was the effect of the Forest Service's policy?
Dead wood accumulated on many forest floors and over the years became a huge source of fuel just waiting to ignite.

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Further Questions&&Sample Answers

60. 1) Why were there vast amounts of dry wood and vegetation in the region's forests?
61. その地域の森に膨大な量の乾燥した木材や草木があったのはなぜですか。
A drought had left vast amounts of dry wood and vegetation in the region's forests.
62. 2) What happened because of the strong winds?
63. 強い風により、何が起こりましたか。
Strong winds caused the small fires to combine into one huge blaze that spread at terrific speed.
64. 3) How large of an area was devastated by the "Big Burn"?
65. "Big Burn"によって大きく破壊されたのはどれくらいの広さでしたか。
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アメリカ森林局 (しんりんきょく)

66. The U.S. Forest Service was just five years old in 1910, and Gifford Pinchot, its first chief, firmly believed in the preservation of the forest for future generations.

堅 (かた) く

保護 (ほご)

67. In the years before the Big Burn, Pinchot had tried to convince

アメリカ連邦議会 (れんぽうぎかい)

Congress

that the government needed to purchase more forests and

allocate more funds to the Forest Service so it could manage and protect this land.

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尽 (つ) きることのない

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財源 (ざいげん)

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77. アメリカ森林局が、人員と財源に欠けたのはなぜですか。

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78. 6) What convinced Congress of the importance of supporting the agency?

79. 森林局を支援することの重要性をアメリカ連邦議会に納得させたのは何ですか。

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当然 (とうぜん) ながら

これ以降 (いこう)

80. Understandably, the Forest Service henceforth took its mission to be the rapid suppression of all fires, both natural and man-made, in the areas it managed.

抑制 (よくせい)

人為 (じんい) の

厳格 (げんかく) な 実行 (じっこう)

81. Strict implementation of this policy, however, meant that dead wood accumulated on many forest floors.

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82. Over the years, this became a huge source of fuel just waiting to ignite, and some of the worst forest fires on record occurred throughout the United States between 2000 and 2008.
83. Areas ravaged by the Big Burn in 1910, however, were spared, as there had been less buildup of dead wood.
84. (**31**), the Forest Service now allows many forest fires to burn, albeit in a controlled manner.
85. With luck, this will ensure the long-term survival of the nation's forests.
86. *Choose the correct answer to fill in the blank from these choices.
87. (**31**) 1 Having learned from this experience 2 Despite the evidence at hand
88. 3 In keeping with the original policy 4 As a move against big business

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