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Fall Science Challenge

Directions: Read each sentence. Then circle the letter next to the answer that completes the sentence.

1. Fall begins in _____.
 - a. August
 - b. September
 - c. October

2. In the fall, squirrels store _____ to eat in the winter.
 - a. pumpkins
 - b. oranges
 - c. nuts

3. In the fall, _____.
 - a. the sun sets earlier every day
 - b. the sun sets later every day
 - c. the sun sets at the same time every day

4. The day that fall starts is called the _____.
 - a. fall equinox
 - b. fall solstice
 - c. winter solstice

5. In the fall, monarch butterflies _____.
 - a. build nests for the winter
 - b. fly south for the winter
 - c. make cocoons to spend the winter in

6. _____ are more likely to take place in the fall than in the spring in the United States.
 - a. Tornadoes
 - b. Earthquakes
 - c. Hurricanes

7. During the fall, _____.
 - a. there are fewer hours of daylight than in the summer
 - b. there are more hours of daylight than in the summer
 - c. the hours of daylight do not change

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8. During the fall, the sunlight _____.
- a. is more spread out when it hits the earth than in the summer
 - b. is less spread out when it hits the earth than in the summer
 - c. hits the earth at the same angle as in the summer
9. In the fall, leaves turn colors when trees _____.
- a. cannot get the nutrients they need because there is less sunlight
 - b. start conserving energy
 - c. both a and b
10. Trees that lose their leaves in the fall are called _____.
- a. evergreen
 - b. deciduous
 - c. equinoctial