

Glaciers, Water and Wind, Oh My! Activity – Erosion Math Worksheet – **Answers**



1. If a 12-acre forest lost $\frac{1}{4}$ of its trees due to acid rain, how many acres would be undamaged?

$$12 \div 4 = 3$$

$$12 - 3 = \underline{9 \text{ acres}}$$

2. If property damage due to erosion along the coast is \$60 million each year, how much money would be spent in 4 years?

$$60 \times 4 = \underline{\$240 \text{ million}}$$

3. Your favorite beach has 42 large sand dunes. Throughout the course of the year, wind erosion destroys 8 sand dunes and creates 13 new ones. How many sand dunes would there be at the end of the year?

$$42 - 8 = 34$$

$$34 + 13 = \underline{47 \text{ sand dunes}}$$

4. One side of a mountain is 5,280 feet long. If a glacier were to start at the very top of the mountain and travel 3 feet per year, how long would it take the glacier to reach the bottom of the mountain?

$$5,280 \div 3 = \underline{1,760 \text{ years}}$$

5. On a cold day in July, you notice a new crack in the sidewalk at 10:30 a.m. At 11:13 a.m. you notice the crack has doubled in length. How much time did it take for the crack to double in length?

$$\underline{43 \text{ minutes}}$$