

Carolus Linnaeus Reading Comprehension

1. What does the word **taxonomy** mean?

Organising or classifying living things into groups.

2. Which country was Linnaeus born in?

Sweden.

3. Which year was Linnaeus born in?

1707

4. Which things did Linnaeus enjoy doing when he was young?

Walking with his father in the gardens and planting the gardens.

5. How long did it take Linnaeus to become a doctor?

Two weeks

6. Linnaeus is famous for creating a two-part naming system, what is this system called?

Binomial nomenclature

7. Why was Linnaeus made a knight?

For his amazing contributions to Science.

8. Which other famous scientist has become a knight for helping to discover the structure of DNA?

James Watson.

9. Which two other famous scientists were inspired to make scientific expeditions because of Linnaeus' work?

Darwin and Wallace.

10. What did Linnaeus invent to help him keep track of his specimens?

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