



The Iditarod Race

Name _____

Date _____

Directions: What do you know about the Iditarod Race? Answer each question using the information at the website provided. Your answers must be written in complete sentences.

1. What is the Iditarod Race? What does it commemorate?

<http://library.thinkquest.org/11313/Iditarod/index.html>

2. Where does the Iditarod Race take place?

<http://www.workingdogweb.com/Iditarod.htm>

3. How many miles is the Iditarod Race?

<http://www.iditarod.com/race/route.html>

4. What is a musher?

<http://www.ultimateiditarod.com/Dictionary.htm>

5. What breed of dog is widely used in the Iditarod Race? Why are they chosen?

http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/iditarod/dogs_life.htm

Adapted from [Vicki Blackwell's Website](#)

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6. According to Gary Paulsen (author of Woodsong), what are the three biggest challenges in the Iditarod Race?

http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/itarod/top_mushers/index.asp?article=gary_paulsen

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

7. Name three things that must be packed on the sled for the Jr. Iditarod Race?

http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/itarod/young_mushers/index.asp?article=hanna.moderow.transcript

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

8. How do the dogs deal with the freezing temperatures?

http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/itarod/dogs_life.htm

9. Who won the 2009 Iditarod Race? How long did it take to complete the race?

<http://www.iditarod.com/archives/index.html>

10. Who won the 2009 Jr. Iditarod Race?

<http://www.jriditarod.com/archives.php>
