

The Lorax
APES
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Directions: Answer the following in complete sentences.

1. The Once-ler describes a “glorious place.” Identify and describe at least four biotic components of the “glorious place.”
2. What is the significance of the name the *Once-ler*?
3. What is the Lorax? What is his role in the story? What is he supposed to represent?
4. Why is a thneed a marketable and profitable product?
5. Identify and describe three pieces of technology developed by the Once-ler to upgrade his thneed industry.
6. Why would the humming fish make reference to Lake Erie, a real place in an otherwise fictitious world?
7. Why didn't the Once-ler want to save the environment? What would have happened if he stopped making thneeds?
8. Explain how the damage to the abiotic factors in the environment lead to damage to the biotic factors.
9. How could the Once-ler have improved how he treated the earth? What effects might it have had on both his business and the environment?
10. Why is it so difficult for businesses to be environmentally friendly?
11. What is an unless?
12. Do you think saving the environment is a luxury only for the rich? Why or why not?
13. Most environmental problems result from a “domino effect” begun by a single action or activity. Select three of the following environmental issues below observed in the “glorious place” and relate them to the development of the thneed. Each problem you address should require a paragraph response.

energy consumption
waste disposal/management
human population explosion

pollution
deforestation
endangered/threatened species