

Mosquito ID Quizzes

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 - c) Cephalothorax-Abdomen-Legs
 - d) Wings-Body-Legs
2. The legs and body of a mosquito have scales on them.
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3. Mosquitoes have 2 wings and 6 legs attached to the abdomen.
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2. There is only one mosquito key available for use in identifying Georgia mosquitoes.
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3. A good light source is important for mosquito identification.
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 - a) True
 - b) False
3. *Toxorhynchites* spp are large mosquitoes with:
 - a) A proboscis that is thick and curves downward
 - b) Palpi longer than their antennae
 - c) Both
 - d) Neither
4. *Psorophora* spp have both pre- and post-spiracular setae.
 - a) True
 - b) False
5. Apical means:
 - a) Towards the head
 - b) Away from the head
 - c) Horizontal
 - d) Invisible
6. *Aedes* spp have neither pre- nor post-spiracular setae.
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 - d) Pre- and post-spiracular setae, pointed abdomen, apical bands on abdomen
2. Markings on the head, thorax, abdomen, and legs help to distinguish one species from another.
 - a) True
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3. Some important vectors belong to this genus.
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2. Several *Anopheles* spp have patterned wings that are used in identification.
 - a) True
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3. *Anopheles* spp tend to sit on surfaces with their abdomen elevated.
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2. Head scale characteristics are used to differentiate subgenera of *Culex*.
 - a) True
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3. *Culex coronator* has bands across the joints on the hindtarsomers.
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2. *Psorophora ciliata* and *Ps howardii* are both very large mosquitoes.
 - a) True
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3. Banding on *Psorophora spp* is basal.
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 - a) True
 - b) False
2. How do you distinguish *Culiseta spp* from *Culex spp* (choose all that apply)?
 - a) Presence of setae on the ventral surface of the wing near the body
 - b) Rounded abdomen
 - c) Short proboscis
3. *Orthopodomyia spp* have hind tarsi that are banded across the joints.
 - a) True
 - b) False
4. *Toxorhynchites rutilus* is a large mosquito that feeds on blood.
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 - b) False
2. *Culex coronator* can be distinguished from other *Culex* spp in Georgia by:
 - a) White banding across the joints of the legs
 - b) Size
 - c) Banding around the proboscis
 - d) Color
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Section 15: Mosquitoes of Georgia (cont)

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