

Did You Know?...

 Name _____

Read the information and questions below then write your answers on the back of this sheet.

1. Did you know that California's foresters never harvest more than is already growing elsewhere in the forest? This is called sustainable forestry. Can you guess what sustainable means?
2. Did you know that the harvesting of trees on private land is carefully monitored in California? The California Forest Practices Act is the most important of the laws that help regulate how the forest is maintained. It tells foresters what they must do before they may harvest. It tells them how harvesting should be done, and it tells them how and when they should replant. Replanting is called reforestation. What do you think the "re" in each word means? Can you think of any other "re" words?
3. Did you know that California law requires foresters to plant many more trees than are harvested on every acre of productive forestland? What is the difference between private forestland and public forestland?
4. Did you know that California foresters replant harvested areas with seedlings that come from seeds gathered from that same location? Only the strongest and best seedlings are used for replanting. What is the difference between a seedling and a seed? What is the difference between a seedling and a sapling? What is the difference between a sapling and a tree?
5. Did you know that eight out of every ten trees that are planted grow to be adult trees. What happens to the other two?

