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Pesticides Put Bees at Risk Reading Guide

Complete all of the questions below as you read the news article dated Feb. 28, 2018.

1. Google search “*definition of ban.*” Use a complete sentence.

2. A neonicotinoid is a class of pesticide used by farmers in the United States. True or False

3. What is the “active ingredient” or killing agent in neonicotinoids? Google. Use a complete sentence.

4. The definition of *moratorium* is which of the following:

- a. a temporary ban
- b. stoppage
- c. freeze
- d. all of the above

5. EU stands for the European Union and there is currently a moratorium on the use of three of the neonicotinoids in the EU. True or False

6. Why may the EU ban the use of three neonicotinoid pesticide compounds? Use a complete sentence.

7. The crop chemical companies that make the pesticides think the ban is a good idea. True or False

8. Which of the following neonicotinoids may be banned in the EU:

- a. clothianidin
- b. imidacloprid
- c. thiamethoxam
- d. all of the above

9. What is your opinion of the use of the neonicotinoids on crops? Use a complete sentence.

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