

Arizona Wildlife Podcast Comprehension Activity

Episode 15: Turkey Restoration

Part A: *Determine whether each statement below is true or false. If it is false, correct the statement so that it will be true.*

1. At one point, turkeys were completely gone from Arizona and New Mexico.
2. Turkey populations are having trouble recovering from the devastating Rodeo-Chediski fire.
3. During the early relocations, turkeys were brought from Mexico.
4. Today there are about 1,000 turkeys in Arizona.

Part B: *Define each of the terms below.*

1. Extirpated
2. Gobbler
3. Hunt Unit
4. Quarantine
5. Tag

Part C: *Hunting is controversial but is considered a valid wildlife management tool. The following questions focus on turkey hunting in Arizona. Answer in complete sentences. The answers are not necessarily included in the content and may require some critical thinking.*

1. Turkeys are not endangered. In fact, they can be legally hunted in Arizona. However, you cannot hunt them in all the locations where they are found. Why?
2. During the fall, people can hunt for any type of turkey. However, during the spring, hunting is reserved to “bearded turkeys” only. Why?
3. How have hunters and hunting been beneficial to turkey populations in Arizona?