

Debate Quiz

Directions: Read the debate “Should We Get Rid of Daylight Saving Time?” in the March/April 2020 issue of *Storyworks*. Then fill in the bubble next to the best answer for each question below.

1. According to the article, how many countries observe daylight saving time?

- (A) 40
- (B) 50
- (C) 60
- (D) 70

2. In the sentence “That might sound like a bright idea,” *bright* means _____.

- (A) cheerful
- (B) shiny
- (C) smart
- (D) unclouded

3. Based on the article, we don’t know whether . . .

- (A) DST saves electricity.
- (B) memory improves with DST.
- (C) DST provides more evening light.
- (D) kids get more exercise during DST.

4. According to the article, spending time outside can do each of the following EXCEPT . . .

- (A) lower stress.
- (B) improve memory.
- (C) increase tiredness.
- (D) increase energy.

5. Which line from the article supports the argument to get rid of DST?

- (A) “With an extra hour of sunlight each evening . . . Americans wouldn’t use as much electricity to light their homes.”
- (B) “During the first few days after the time switch, more adults suffer heart attacks and injuries at work.”
- (C) “There’s also less crime, because our streets stay lighter later.”
- (D) “Sunshine provides vitamin D, which boosts our mood and supports healthy bones.”

6. A main idea of “Should We Get Rid of Daylight Saving Time?” is that . . .

- (A) DST has existed since 1966.
- (B) many Americans want to get rid of DST.
- (C) DST can be dangerous for drivers.
- (D) many lives are saved with DST.

Constructed Response

Directions: On a separate piece of paper, write your answer to each question in a well-organized response. Make sure you support your answers with information and details from the debate.

7. Do you think DST improves or worsens your sleep? Use evidence from the article and your own experience in your answer.

8. In your opinion, what’s the best argument for keeping DST? Explain.