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Quiz

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      symptoms.

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Answers to Quiz

1. Name one place you might find asbestos in your home.
    a. Insulation around pipes, duct wrap, vinyl floor tiles and spackling, roof and side shingles, floor tiles, soundproofing materials, heating ducts and flues, textured ceilings, decorative finishes.

2. TRUE or FALSE: Lead-based paint is found only in pre-1958 housing.
    a. FALSE, until 1978 lead-based paint was used.

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    a. FALSE

4. TRUE or FALSE: Radon is only found in new homes.
    a. FALSE

5. Name two combustion pollutants that can affect your home's indoor air.
    a. Carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, sulfur dioxide, tobacco smoke.

6. Health effects from indoor air contaminants often mimic other diseases. Name one clue that can be used to help determine if poor indoor air quality could be the cause of adverse health symptoms.
    a. Symptoms only occur in home and occur when you leave, others have similar symptoms, sources for pollution are present.

7. Name one pollutant that can be found in water.
    a. Bacteria, viruses, nitrate, lead, copper

8. What type of indoor air pollutant can cause asthma attacks?
    a. Biological contaminants