Zebra Mussel Reading Questions

Read “Zebra Mussel Fact Sheet” and answer the questions below.

1. How and when was the zebra mussel introduced to the U.S.?
2. Why are zebra mussels a problem in the Hudson River?
3. Compare the filtration rate of the Hudson River before and after the arrival of the zebra mussel.
4. Describe the life cycle of the zebra mussel.
5. How do zebra mussels move from one water body to another?
6. What are the consequences for phytoplankton and microzooplankton in the Hudson River as a result of the invasion?
7. What have researchers recently discovered about the zebra mussel?