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Hunt #8

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1. In the 1840's in Ireland, more than a million people starved to death when the country's main crop was struck by a killing fungus. What crop caused this famine? _____
2. When classifying animals, scientists put every living thing into seven groups. Another word for those seven groups begins with the letter *t*. What is that *t* word? _____
3. Which South American country is home to almost half of the world's rainforests? _____
4. Which two European countries are connected by the Channel Tunnel?
_____ and _____
5. In American folklore, what was the name of Paul Bunyan's prized blue ox? _____
6. Most European countries used to have their own forms of money. Now many people in Europe use the same money -- the euro -- to pay for goods. In which year did the euro become the everyday money used by people in those countries? _____
7. Who was the phys ed teacher who created the game of basketball? _____
8. Many people refer to Horace Mann as "the father of the American public school." In which U.S. state did Mann work hard to improve schools? _____
9. In Australia, to what does the term *willy-willy* refer? _____
10. Vietnam's flag has a yellow star in the center. What is the flag's background color? _____