

Giardia lamblia is a flagellated protozoan (Protist) that can cause severe diarrhea in humans. Read the article about *Giardia*, and then answer the following questions using complete sentences.

1. What is the scientific name of this intestinal parasite that causes giardiasis?

2. Where does *Giardia lamblia* live? _____

3. What is **one** way *Giardia* can find its way into your system? _____

4. List the **symptoms** associated with *Giardia*: _____

5. Even though the nickname for *Giardia* is beaver fever, humans are the primary source and spreader of the disease. How many cysts could be present in a human stool specimen?

6. How many cysts does it take to likely cause infection?

7. How can you help prevent the contamination of water supplies? _____

8. What is one way you can avoid giardiasis (precaution)? _____

9. How many cases of giardiasis were reported in Red Lodge in 1980?

10. How many cases of giardiasis were reported in the U.S. in 1980?
