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## TRUE FALSE ANSWER KEY

Answer key: 1 T; 2 T; 3 F; 4 T; 5 T; 6 F; 7 F; 8 T; 9 F; 10 F; 11 F

Answers for statements that are false:

3. The infrastructure of the water system, such as pipes and pumps, wear out and need to be repaired or replaced over time.
6. In the United States, water utilities must meet close to 100 national rules for water quality, and there are additional rules in many states. Canadian provinces have similar rules.
7. The water system infrastructure means the "pieces" of the water delivery system: the pipes, pumps, tanks, and water mains that deliver water safely to our faucets.
9. Tap water in North America is among the safest in the world. Our high standards for water quality prevent waterborne diseases that afflict people in many developing countries.
10. Many of the water mains and pipes in North America are more than 50 years old, and sometimes more than 100 years old.
11. A water main break could reduce the pressure of water coming out of a fire hydrant, which makes it harder for a firefighter to put out a fire.