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What Happens to Nuclear Waste, and Why Can't We Throw It Away?

Multiple Choice Questions

1. What is nuclear waste?
 - A. Broken windmills
 - B. Leftover energy from the sun
 - C. Dangerous material made by nuclear power
 - D. Trash from food and packaging

2. Why can't we throw nuclear waste in the trash?
 - A. It smells bad
 - B. It takes up too much space
 - C. It gives off radiation and is harmful
 - D. It's too light

3. What is used to cool nuclear waste at first?
 - A. Ice
 - B. Deep water pools
 - C. Wind turbines
 - D. Plastic bags

4. Where is nuclear waste often stored?
 - A. Deep underground in safe places
 - B. In forests
 - C. On rooftops
 - D. In oceans

5. How long can some nuclear waste stay dangerous?
 - A. 10 years
 - B. 100 years
 - C. 1,000 years
 - D. Over 10,000 years

