



## 10 Questions about Global Poverty and International Development

### TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

*NOTE: The One Shared World<sup>SM</sup> campaign aims to raise awareness and generate dialogue about global poverty and how America is tackling it. This quiz may be used at meetings, events and other gatherings to help spark interest and foster discussion of international development assistance. The source for each is noted. Answers can be found on the last page.*

**1) How many of the world's people live in extreme poverty, surviving on less than \$1 per day?**

- a) almost 10 million
- b) almost 50 million
- c) more than one billion
- d) about three billion

*Source: Millennium Project. ([www.unmillenniumproject.org](http://www.unmillenniumproject.org))*

**2) In 1960, the average income for the richest twenty countries in the world was 15 times the average for the poorest twenty countries. What is it now?**

- a) 5 times
- b) 20 times
- c) 30 times
- d) 40 times

*Source: The World Bank, PovertyNet. ([www.worldbank.org](http://www.worldbank.org))*

**3) If a woman in Uganda gets a \$75 loan to run a small business—such as milling grain, raising poultry, tailoring, baking or selling charcoal—how much more than the country's average per capita income of \$320 a year will she earn?**

- a) \$ 50.00
- b) \$ 75.00
- c) \$100.00
- d) \$200.00

*Source: BASIS-CRSP, Gender Targeting of Rural Financial Services: Is this Appropriate? A Case Study of FINCA Uganda. ([www.basis.wisc.edu/live/rfc/cs\\_08b.pdf](http://www.basis.wisc.edu/live/rfc/cs_08b.pdf))*

**4) The U.S. invests about \$6,600 annually per primary student on public education. How much is spent on primary education per student in Rwanda?**

- a) \$ 3.00
- b) \$ 19.00
- c) \$144.00
- d) \$842.00

*Source: Center for Global Development, Rich World, Poor World – A Guide to Global Development. ([www.cgdev.org](http://www.cgdev.org))*

5) **How much additional schooling do people in many poor countries need to earn 10 percent higher wages?**

- a) three months
- b) one year
- c) two years
- d) four years

Source: Center for Global Development, *Rich World, Poor World – A Guide to Global Development*. ([www.cgdev.org](http://www.cgdev.org))

6) **In 2000, 18 percent of men in the developing world were illiterate. What was the percentage of illiterate women?**

- a) 21 percent
- b) 31 percent
- c) 39 percent
- d) 42 percent

Source: World Bank, *PovertyNet*. ([www.worldbank.org](http://www.worldbank.org))

7) **Educated mothers immunize their children how much more often than mothers who are not educated?**

- a) 10 percent
- b) 20 percent
- c) 40 percent
- d) 50 percent

Source: Millennium Project. ([www.unmilleniumproject.org](http://www.unmilleniumproject.org))

8) **Vitamin A is essential to strengthening disease resistance. Which of these is true about Vitamin A deficiency?**

- a) It contributes to about 1/4 of all childhood deaths in the developing world.
- b) It increases the risk of maternal death during childbirth.
- c) It can be prevented in children with supplements costing about fifty cents a year.
- d) all of the above

Source: United Nations Children's Fund. ([www.unicef.org](http://www.unicef.org))

9) **Educating girls and women – who are the majority of farmers in the developing world – accounted for how much of the decline in malnutrition between 1970 and 1995?**

- a) 8 percent
- b) 17 percent
- c) 25 percent
- d) 40 percent

Source: Center for Global Development, *Rich World, Poor World – A Guide to Global Development*. ([www.cgdev.org](http://www.cgdev.org))

10) **Each year, 90 million children get help to prevent severe mental and physical impairment that can result from low thyroid function as part of a global effort that**

- a) provides access to clean water
- b) immunizes all children under one year of age
- c) adds iodized salt to the diet
- d) all of the above

Source: United Nations Children's Fund. ([www.unicef.org](http://www.unicef.org))

ANSWERS: 1c; 2c; 3c; 4b; 5b; 6b; 7d; 8d; 9d; 10c