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Pop Quiz: Ten Things to Know about Sikh Americans

(Not Graded ☺)

1. If you meet a Sikh, one way to break the ice is to greet him or her by saying:
 - a. “Salaam Alaikum”
 - b. “Namaste”
 - c. “Sat Sri Akal”
 - d. “Nice Headwrap, chief”

2. Ninety-nine percents of the persons who wear turbans in the United States follow what faith(s)?
 - a. Sikhism
 - b. Hinduism
 - c. Islam
 - d. Sikhism and Islam
 - e. Hinduism, Sikhism and Islam

3. Sikhs are predominantly from which part of the world?
 - a. Afghanistan
 - b. Tajikistan
 - c. Pakistan
 - d. New Jersey
 - e. Punjab

4. When did Sikhs first come to the United States?
 - a. In the 1960s during the large wave of Asian immigration to the U.S.
 - b. With the Pilgrims on the Mayflower
 - c. Early 1900s
 - d. In the 1940s to fight with U.S. forces during World War II
 - e. In the 1980s during a time of great political unrest in India

5. Sikhs have made which of the following contributions to American society?
 - a. The inventor of fiber optics is a Sikh

- b. The largest federal court security contractor for the US Marshals Service is a Sikh-American owned company
 - c. A Sikh is America's largest peach grower
 - d. One of the first doctors to arrive at ground zero on 9/11 was a Sikh
 - e. All of the above.
6. A Sikh-American is likely to have been in the United States for how long?
- a. Three generations
 - b. Two generations
 - c. One generation
 - d. Two to three generations
 - e. One to two generations
7. For a Sikh, removing their turban in public is:
- a. Not a problem
 - b. Tantamount to taking off their pants
 - c. Fun
 - d. An inconvenience, but not forbidden
 - e. Not cool
8. Sikhism is the world's:
- a. Largest religion
 - b. Second largest religion
 - c. Third largest religion
 - d. Fourth largest religion
 - e. Fifth largest religion
9. **True or False:** Sikhs can cut their hair whenever they want, without violating the tenets their faith.
10. The guiding principle(s) of a Sikh's life are:
- a. Be removed from worldly things if you want to save yourself from their corruption
 - b. Sikhism is our only salvation
 - c. Always remember to pray during the day
 - d. Share with the needy, work honestly and hard, always remember the Creator in everything you do
 - e. Live hard, die young

Answers on the next page!

Pop Quiz Answers:

1. (c)
2. (a)
3. (e)
4. (c)
5. (e)
6. (e)
7. (b)
8. (e)
9. False
10. (d)