Water Safety Quiz

1. What is more important?
   a. Wear your life vest while enjoying your water activities
   b. Showing off your perfect tan to the offices as they pull you lifeless body from the water

2. What weighs less?
   a. A properly fitting life vest worn all day
   b. The deep hurt your family will carry with them for the rest of their lives when you drown

3. Wearing a loose fitting or the wrong size of life vest will do what?
   a. Help you drown
   b. Provide a good handle for pulling your lifeless body from the water
   c. All of the above

4. Swimming with a responsible friend or family member is what?
   a. Optional, if you enjoy riding in the back of a hearse
   b. A good idea if you enjoy going home after playing

5. You can drown in 1 inch of water?
   a. True
   b. False

6. Anyone can drive a boat or other motorized water craft?
   a. True
   b. False

7. Math: 1 person - 1 Life vest = ?
   a. 1 safe day at the water
   b. 1 great tan
   c. 1 slot in the local cemetery

8. Anyone that knows how to swim can not drown.
   a. True
   b. False

9. Mary is a single mother raising 3 young children by her self. Mary and her kids went to the beach on vacation. She brought 3 correct fitting and sized life jackets for the kids. The family went swimming in cold rough water with 3 foot tall waves. How many of the family went home that day?
   a. 1 family member
   b. 2 family members
   c. 3 family members
   d. None of the above
10. You can not drown if you are wearing a life jacket that is the correct size and fit for you.
   a. True
   b. False

11. Which list below is a good example of items you need to safely enjoy playing at in the water at a river, pool or lake?
   a. Swim buddy/parent, soda, sunblock, chips, hat, towel
   b. Swim buddy/parent, water, sunblock, shade, life jacket(s)
   c. Swim buddy/parent, beer, sunblock, chips, shade, floaties

12. This is a hidden picture game. Find the following items: 1 Life Jacket, 1 Adult and 1 child
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ANSWERS KEY:


12: 1 Life Jacket (on shore in background), 1 adult (not at lake), 1 child (under water drowning)

ANSWERS EXPLAINED: Correct Answer in Red with Explanation afterwards:

1. Q: What is more important?
   a. Wear your life vest while enjoying your water activities:
      A life jacket is designed to help you stay safe. You can’t put it on if you are knocked unconscious while playing in/around water. Put it on first and then have fun.

2. What weighs less?
   a. A properly fitting life vest worn all day:
      The jacket may seem uncomfortable, but it is even more uncomfortable for your family and friends to be at your funeral because you chose to ignore your safety and play around water without a life jacket.

3. Wearing a loose fitting or the wrong size of life vest will do what?
   a. Help you drown
   b. Provide a good handle for pulling your lifeless body from the water
   c. All of the above:
      When you wear the wrong size life jacket you can drown. All you are doing is making it easier for the recovery team to pull your body from the water. The wrong size jacket can slip off or hold you under and you will drown.

4. Swimming with a responsible friend or family member is what?
   b. A good idea if you enjoy going home after playing:
      If you want to ride home with your family in the car and not be carried away in a hearse, then wear a life jacket. It takes less than a minute to drown and it takes less than a minute to put on a life jacket.

5. You can drown in 1 inch of water?
   a. True
      Anyone can drown if you are face down in water. Infants can drown lying on their side in 1 inch of water. It only takes an inch of water to put you six feet under.
6. Anyone can drive a boat or other motorized water craft?
   b: False
   Texas regulations state: http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/faq/learning/boater_education/#n5

   To operate a vessel alone in Texas, a boater must be 13 years of age to operate a vessel of 15
   horsepower or more; or windblown vessel over 14 feet in length; and meet the following requirements.

   **Operating a Vessel Along:**

   In Texas a person cannot operate a windblown vessel over 14 feet in length, a motorboat with more than
   15 horsepower, or personal watercraft unless he/she:
   - was born on or after September 1, 1993 and has passed a boater education class or
     equivalency examination prescribed by the department.
   - is 18 years of age and can lawfully operate the motorboat and is on board the motor boat when
     underway.
   - is at least 13 years of age and have successfully completed a boater education course
     approved by the Department.

   **Operating a PWC:**

   NOTE: Children under 13 are specifically prohibited from operating a PWC unless accompanied on
   board by a person at least 18 years of age.

   To operate a PWC, the operator must meet one of the following:
   - Born on or after September 1, 1993 and passed a boater education class or equivalency
     examination prescribed by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, or
   - born before September 1, 1993, or,
   - Persons requiring boater education who have not competed it must be accompanied by a
     person 18 years of age (who can legally operate) or older, or
   - At least 13 years of age and have passed a boater education course or equivalency
     examination prescribed by the department.

7. Math: 1 person - 1 Life vest = ?
   c: 1 slot in the local cemetery
   When you swim without a life jacket you take the risk of dying.

8. Anyone that knows how to swim can not drown.
   b: True
   No one is immune to drowning. Professional athletes, parents, teen agers and young
   children all drown the same. Often it is common sense that saves some ones life and not
   how well you swim. Avoid choppy water or swimming at night. Always swim with a
   buddy or parent and never swim alone. Never push your self to swim further than you
   physically can because you risk tiring your muscles and going down.

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    on vacation. She brought 3 correct fitting and sized life jackets for the kids. The family went
    swimming in cold rough water with 3 foot tall waves. How many of the family went home that
day?
   d: None of the above
Mary’s kids all had a life jacket on but she neglected to wear one her self. Mary drowned while her kids watched. The kids were brought to shore by others on the beach. Since Mary drowned, she did not go home. She went to the morgue. Her kids did not go home either. They went to a government ran orphanage until a relative comes to claim them.

10. You can not drown if you are wearing a life jacket that is the correct size and fit for you.
   b: False
   If you are unconscious and face down, you will drown in your life jacket. You must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved that is designed to turn you face up if unconscious. Then your chances of drowning are greatly reduced.

11. Which list below is the most correct as a good example of items you need to safely enjoy playing in the water at a river, pool or lake?
   b: Swim buddy/parent, water, sun block, shade, life jacket(s)
   Always swim with someone that can watch out for you and vise versa. Water is a good item to have while playing. Sodas and beer tend to dehydrate you and weaken you when the heat is beating down on you all day. Sun block will protect you from harmful sun exposure. A location with shade will help keep you cool. A life jacket is a great item if you want to return home alive.

12. This is a hidden picture game. Find the following items: 2 Life Jack, 1 Adult and 1 child
    The answers are circled below. Explanation is below picture.

    The red circle on the top left represents the adult that stayed at home and did not go to supervise their child. The smaller circle is the life jacket the child did not put on before getting in the boat. The large circle in the foreground is the ripples left by the child as it was drowning.