

RELS 1010 – Survey of Religious Literacy
Beginning-of-Semester Results – Fall 2014

1. When does the Jewish Sabbath begin? (Right: 43% Wrong: 57%)
2. Most people in Indonesia belong to what religion? (Right: 17% Wrong: 83%)
3. Which of these religious groups traditionally teach that salvation comes through faith alone? (Right: 34% Wrong: 66%)
4. What is Ramadan? (Right: 32% Wrong: 68%)
5. The Dalai Lama belongs to what religion? (Right: 63% Wrong: 37%)
6. What are the two main branches of Islam? (Right: 59% Wrong: 41%)
7. Which is the oldest form of Buddhism? (Right: 19% Wrong: 81%)
8. What was the name of the person whose writings and actions inspired the Protestant Reformation? (Right: 80% Wrong: 20%)
9. What is the first book of the Torah? (Right: 27% Wrong: 73%)
10. What are the names of the first four books of the New Testament of the Bible, that is, the four Gospels? (Right: 71% Wrong: 29%)
11. Which of the following best describes Catholic teaching about the bread and the wine used for communion? (Right: 67% Wrong: 33%)
12. What is the most important ethical virtue in Jainism? (Right: 25% Wrong: 75%)
13. Who is the founder of the Sikh religion? (Right: 17% Wrong: 83%)
14. What is the most important relationship in a Confucian society? (Right: 11% Wrong: 89%)
15. What does the 'Dao' mean? (Right: 29% Wrong: 71%)
16. Name two of the five pillars of Islam. (Right: 11% Wrong: 89%)
17. Which of these items is not usually carried by a devout Sikh? (Right: 11% Wrong: 89%)
18. Name the holiest city for Muslims. (Right: 52% Wrong: 48%)
19. Why do many Jews never eat a cheeseburger? (Right: 10% Wrong: 90%)

Average score: 6.3 out of 19 = 33%

Total Participants: 116

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1. When does the Jewish Sabbath begin? (Right: 67% Wrong: 33%)
2. Most people in Indonesia belong to what religion? (Right: 57% Wrong: 43%)
3. Which of these religious groups traditionally teach that salvation comes through faith alone? (Right: 50% Wrong: 50%)
4. What is Ramadan? (Right: 47% Wrong: 53%)
5. The Dalai Lama belongs to what religion? (Right: 68% Wrong: 32%)
6. What are the two main branches of Islam? (Right: 75% Wrong: 25%)
7. Which is the oldest form of Buddhism? (Right: 47% Wrong: 53%)
8. What was the name of the person whose writings and actions inspired the Protestant Reformation? (Right: 91% Wrong: 9%)
9. What is the first book of the Torah? (Right: 59% Wrong: 41%)
10. What are the names of the first four books of the New Testament of the Bible, that is, the four Gospels? (Right: 74% Wrong: 26%)
11. Which of the following best describes Catholic teaching about the bread and the wine used for communion? (Right: 53% Wrong: 47%)
12. What is the most important ethical virtue in Jainism? (Right: 93% Wrong: 7%)
13. Who is the founder of the Sikh religion? (Right: 96% Wrong: 4%)
14. What is the most important relationship in a Confucian society? (Right: 60% Wrong: 40%)
15. What does the 'Dao' mean? (Right: 77% Wrong: 23%)
16. Name two of the five pillars of Islam. (Right: 73% Wrong: 27%)
17. Which of these items is not usually carried by a devout Sikh? (Right: 87% Wrong: 13%)
18. Name the holiest city for Muslims. (Right: 89% Wrong: 11%)
19. Why do many Jews never eat a cheeseburger? (Right: 28% Wrong: 72%)

Average score: 13 out of 19 = 68.4%