

World AIDS Day quiz 2008

TRANSFORMING
THE UK'S
RESPONSE
TO HIV



1. When was the first World AIDS Day?
 - a. 1970
 - b. 1988
 - c. 1995

2. What is the international symbol of HIV and World AIDS Day?
 - a. The red ribbon
 - b. The poppy
 - c. The pink ribbon

3. When does World AIDS Day take place?
 - a. 25 January
 - b. 3 April
 - c. 1 December

4. How often does World AIDS Day happen?
 - a. Every year
 - b. Every two years
 - c. Every five years

5. HIV and AIDS are the same thing
 - a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Not sure

6. How many people were living with HIV in the UK in 2008
 - a. Less than 500
 - b. Less than 20,000
 - c. More than 80,000
 - d. More than 200,000

7. Most of the people with HIV in the UK got it through sex
 - a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Not sure

8. How can you tell someone has HIV?
 - a. They're very skinny
 - b. They have spots
 - c. You can't tell by looking

9. If you have HIV it means you're going to die soon
 - a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Not sure

10. HIV doesn't affect young people
 - a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Not sure

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1. **B.** The first World AIDS Day was held in 1988 and the theme was Communication. A summit of health ministers held in the UK realised that a united global effort was required to halt the spread of HIV. World AIDS Day was the first international health day in December 1988. The aim of World AIDS Day is to bring to people's attention the worldwide challenges and consequences of the epidemic - ultimately halting the spread of HIV and improving the lives of people living with the virus.
2. **A.** The international symbol for HIV and World AIDS Day is the red ribbon. The red ribbon has been an international symbol of AIDS awareness since 1991. The Red Ribbon Project was created by the New York based organisation Visual AIDS, which brought together artists to create a symbol of support for the growing number of people living with HIV in the US. Their idea was to create an image that would be free for anyone to use to highlight HIV and show support for those affected.
3. **C.** World AIDS Day takes place on the 1 December.
4. **A.** World AIDS Day takes place every year. 2008 marks the 21st World AIDS Day.
5. **B.** This is FALSE. HIV is a virus which attacks the body's immune system. When the immune system gets very weak and the body can no longer fight off infections doctors would say that someone has AIDS.
6. **C.** There were more than 80,000 people living with HIV in the UK in 2008.
7. **A.** This is TRUE. Most people in the UK get HIV from sex between two men or between a man and a woman. Other main routes of transmission are through sharing needles to inject drugs or from a HIV-positive mother to her child during pregnancy, birth or from breast feeding.
8. **C.** You can't tell someone has HIV just by looking at them. Treatment keeps people healthy and allows them to live regular lives.
9. **B.** This is FALSE. There are medicines which help people stay as healthy as possible and live longer. But it is important that people are diagnosed early.
10. **B.** This is FALSE. In the UK, over 1 in 10 of new HIV diagnoses were amongst young people aged 16-24. Around 20,000 children in the UK live in a family affected by HIV. HIV is an issue for everyone.