

Salmon Nation Quiz

(Or, Some Things I Didn't Know When I Lived In Southeast Iowa)

Part One: True or False?

1. ____ Sir Francis Drake claimed to have visited the coast of Oregon in 1592, and said that he found there “the most vile, thicke and stinking fogges.” It is a land of “congealed rain,” he wrote.
2. ____ The men of Lewis and Clark’s Corps of Discovery didn’t mind eating dog meat, but they never did understand why the natives liked salmon.
3. ____ The life cycle of the salmon is: egg, alevin, fry, parr, smolt, mature salmon.
4. ____ There once were over 50 distinct tribes of the Pacific Northwest.
5. ____ The tribal leaders who participated in the Whitman massacre in 1847 did so in part because they believed that Rev. Whitman had intentionally poisoned their people with malaria and other diseases.
6. ____ The massacre of the Whitmans led to decades of pummeling, cheating, and hanging members of the Nez Perce, Cayuse, Walla Walla and Umatilla tribes by European-American settlers looking for land.
7. ____ 30% of the world’s salmon now come from hatcheries. A larger percentage come to our tables as farmed fish, raised and fed artificially in net pens their entire lives. Wild salmon, around 20% of all harvested salmon in 2008, come mostly from Alaska and British Columbia.
8. ____ Under threat of over-logging and elk slaughter, President Teddy Roosevelt declared large parts of the Olympic Peninsula to be a protected national monument. His cousin, FDR, visited Lake Quinalt and became enchanted, and named the area a national park.
9. ____ Mixed-race couples could not legally be married in Oregon from 1862 to 1951. (Some Roman Catholic bishops urged priests to marry such couples anyway, even if they had to go to jail.)
10. ____ The Ku Klux Klan in Oregon focused much of its energy intimidating and persecuting Catholics.
11. ____ During World War II, more than 150,000 Japanese and Americans of Japanese descent were sent to internment camps in the eastern regions of Washington and Idaho.

12. ____ The Pacific Northwest boasts more mega-churches, per capita, than any other region of the country.

Part Two: Short Answers

13. Name five towns in the Pacific Northwest with a dwindling extraction-based (such as logging or mining) economy:
14. Name five mountains in the Pacific NW named for people who never visited here:
15. Only about 1 out of every ____ Northwesterners both identify and affiliate with a religious denomination.
16. The Boldt Decision was named after a conservative judge in Seattle, George W. Boldt, who decided in favor of tribes seeking fishing rights they claimed had been lost through generations of broken treaties by the US Government. This decision has been compared to Brown v. Board of Education for its significance to the native coastal communities of the NW. The Nisqually leader who led the tribes to this decision was named _____.
17. Trappers in the 19th century, in fierce competition for the much-desired furs from the Northwest, intentionally tried to trap this animal to extinction: _____.
18. Salmon Nation has an absence of a dominant religious denomination. The largest religious denomination in the Northwest is the _____ church, with just ____% of the population.
19. Anthropologists estimate that people have been meeting and trading at Celilo Falls for _____ years.
20. Circle five species of salmon:

Coho	Chum	Chinook	Mt. Hood
Grouper	Sockeye	Black	Columbia River
Largemouth	Rainbow	Pink	Copper River

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Answer Key

Part One All statements are true.
True or False?

Part Two
Short Answers

13. Coos Bay, Sweet Home, Coquille, Vernonia, Roseburg, LaGrande, etc.
14. Hood, Jefferson, Washington, Adams, Rainier, St. Helens, etc.
15. 1 out of 3 Pacific Northwestern people don't identify or affiliate with any tradition, 1 out of 3 both identify and affiliate, and 1 out of 3 identify but don't affiliate (e.g. "I used to be Methodist, but I don't go any more").
16. Billy Frank. On February 12, 1974, Federal Judge George Boldt (1903-1984) issued an historic ruling reaffirming the rights of Washington's Indian tribes to fish in accustomed places. The "Boldt Decision" allocates 50% of the annual catch to treaty tribes, which enraged other fishermen. At the same time, Judge Boldt denied landless tribes – among them the Samish, Snoqualmie, Steilacoom and Duwamish – federal recognition and treaty rights.
17. Beaver were a prized commodity in the early 19th century, and Hudson's Bay Company and the North West Company competed with each other by trying to trap the animal to extinction, calling it the "Fur Desert Policy" implemented in the eastern parts of Washington and Oregon.
18. The Roman Catholic church currently counts 11% of total population in NW as members. (Lutherans are about 2% or a little less of the total population).
19. 12,000 years ago people were gathering at Celilo Falls
20. Salmon (See book *Salmon Nation*): Coho or silver, Chinook or spring or Tyee or king, Chum or dog, Pink or Humpie, Sockeye or Red, and finally Kokanie, which are landlocked Sockeye.

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