Homeless Facts & Figures

1. In 2009, 16 out of every 100 children were living in poverty in BC. **True** or False?
2. For a family of 4 to be considered poor, that family would have to earn $15.38 an hour. **True** or False
3. As of 2007, the number of homeless people living in Canada was approximately 250,000 people. **True** or False
4. In Vancouver a family with 2 earner parents and 2 kids would need to make $15 an hour to survive. True or **False.** They need to make $18.81
5. The number of poor children in BC in 2009 was 137,000 – about the same as the total populations of Kamloops, Fort St. John, Port Alberni and Powell River combined. **True** or False
6. In 2009, BC had the lowest provincial child poverty rate. True or **False** It was the highest.
7. 30% of immigrant families are living in poverty in BC. True or **False** It's 49.6%
8. 40% of children living in poverty in BC received government assistance. True or **False** It's 25%
9. Poverty is consistently linked to poor health, lower literacy, poor school performance for children, more crime, and greater stress for family members. **True** or False
10. Investing to reduce poverty improves well being for everyone. **True** or False