1. Which of the following statements is not from the Bible?
   a. God helps those who help themselves.
   b. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor.
   c. Those who mock the poor insult their Maker.
   d. Whoever is kind to the poor, lends to the Lord.
   e. Do not love sleep, or else you will come to poverty; open your eyes, and you will have plenty of bread.
   f. Speak out for those who cannot speak, defend the rights of the poor and needy.
   g. Oppressing the poor in order to enrich oneself, and giving to the rich, will lead only to loss.

2. Between 2012 and 2013, requests for emergency food assistance increased an average of 7 percent in major U.S. cities.  
   [ ] True  [ ] False

3. Which of the following groups make up the largest segment of people who are hungry in Milwaukee County?  
   [ ] Elderly  [ ] Children  [ ] Low-income workers

4. At a typical church food pantry in Milwaukee, clients receive a bag of food that will feed them for how long?  
   [ ] 2-3 days  [ ] 5 days  [ ] 10 days

5. In Wisconsin, hunger is only a problem in Milwaukee.  
   [ ] True  [ ] False

6. Programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program, and school breakfast and lunch programs provide food for many low-income people, decreasing their need for emergency food.  
   [ ] True  [ ] False

7. In Wisconsin, hunger is caused by poverty and lack of access to food.  
   [ ] True  [ ] False

8. Wisconsin ranks first in the nation in the percentage of low income children who participate in federally-funded school breakfast programs.  
   [ ] True  [ ] False

9. Congregations can do which of the following to help alleviate hunger? (circle as many as apply)  
   a. remember the hungry in prayer and worship  
   b. organize a food pantry, or provide volunteers to another pantry in town  
   c. volunteer at a local soup kitchen  
   d. assist low income families to move out of poverty: help find good jobs, job training, decent housing, transportation, and quality child care  
   e. advocate for public programs like SNAP (formerly “food stamps”) and School Breakfast
Answers

1. Quote (a) is from Benjamin Franklin. (In a recent poll, 75% of Americans identified this quote as being from the Bible.) All the other quotes are from the Book of Proverbs: b. 22:9; c. 17:5; d. 19:17; e. 20:13; f. 31:8-9 (abridged); g. 22:16.

2. True. (U.S. Conference of Mayors, 2013)

3. Children. (Hunger Task Force, Milwaukee)

4. False. While hunger is most problematic in central city neighborhoods, it still exists in metropolitan and rural areas. (University of Wisconsin, Wisconsin Food Security Project, 2004)

5. 2-3 days. (Wisconsin Food Security Consortium, 2000)

6. True. (United States Department of Agriculture, 2013)

7. True. Lack of resources, coupled with problems with food access (such as lack of transportation and grocery outlets), cause many people to be hungry. (Institute for Research on Poverty-UW Madison, 2003)

8. False. Actually, Wisconsin ranks 43rd in terms of the number of children who receive free or reduced price school breakfasts as compared to the number receiving free or reduced price school lunches. (Food Research and Action Center, 2014)

9. All are actions congregations can take to respond to hunger in their communities.