

Life Test: What Do You Know About Abortion?

1. What is abortion? (Define it)

Abortion is the intentional killing of a child in the womb for personal or medical reasons.

2. Is abortion a private matter or does it affect all of us (society)?

Both, abortion occurs privately but it affects all of us spiritually, financially, emotionally, and sometimes physically.

3. Is there any good argument for abortion? If yes, please explain.

No! The lone exception may be extreme health risks like a tubal pregnancy (ectopic) which is fatal to the mother if the child is not removed and always fatal to the child even when the baby is left in the mother.

Ectopic pregnancies have risen sharply since legalized abortion (see *Abortion Questions & Answers*, John Willke, pg 145, 146, 167-169).

4. How many abortions were performed in America during the year 2007?

- A. 50 Thousand **B. 1.2 Million**
C. 500 Thousand D. 9 Thousand

5. Which state was the first to legalize abortion in the U.S.?

- A. California B. New York
C. Texas **D. Colorado**

6. Name the U.S. Supreme Court decisions that allowed legalized abortion nationwide?

Roe v Wade and Doe v Bolton

7. What is the leading cause of death in America?

- A. Accidents B. Heart disease
C. Abortion D. Cancer

8. What is the current number of abortions committed each day in America (2007)?

- A. 500 B. 160 C. 2250 **D. 3300**

9. At what age can a woman legally have an abortion in our nation and state?

A woman can have an abortion at any age. A few states have set an age limit of 16.

10. At what point can a woman have an abortion, under current law?

- A. Anytime during the first three months of pregnancy
B. Anytime during the first six months of pregnancy
C. Anytime during the pregnancy up until birth

11. For what reasons can a woman have an abortion?

Any

12. Is the United States the only country that allows legalized abortion?

No, several nations abort and conservative estimates place the yearly total of worldwide abortions at 46 million or 126,000 babies per day.

13. How many years has abortion been legal in the U.S.?

First state—April 25, 1967, Colorado—41 years—Nationally—January 22, 1973 Roe v Wade—35 years

14. Who has the right to choose abortion according to our laws?

Women!

15. Was there ever a time in our nation's history when abortion was not legal? If so, why do you think it used to be illegal?

Yes, abortion was illegal for our entire national history until 1967 at the state level and 1973 at the national level. Before the last 40 years our nation held a much higher view of morality, the Scriptures and the God of the Bible.

16. In what way is the Dred Scott Supreme Court decision regarding slavery similar to the Roe decision regarding abortion?

Both court cases were 7/2 decisions that stripped certain people groups of personhood and equal rights. The Dred Scott case said that African slaves were three fifths of a person and the property of the slave owner while the Roe case said that the unborn are not persons and are the property of the mother.

17. What percentage of children born in America are adopted each year?

A. 20% B. 10% C. 25% **D. 2%**

18. What was the percentage of children adopted before abortion was legalized in America?

A. 25% B. 10% C. 5% D. 20%

19. What percentage of babies conceived are aborted every year in America?

A. 10% B. 50% **C. 23%** D. 5%

20. How long is a full-term pregnancy in months/weeks?

A. 12 Months/48 weeks
B. 8 Months/36 weeks
C. 9 Months/40 weeks
D. 10 Months/38 weeks

21. How many days old is a child in the womb when his or her heart begins to beat?

- A. 10 B. 5 C. 31 **D. 18**

22. At the end of the first month of a baby's development, how many times larger is the baby than when it was conceived?

- A. 100 Times B. 1,000 Times
C. 10,000 times D. 100,000 Times

23. How many weeks does it take for every system (brain, lungs, nervous system, eyes, etc.) of the baby's body to be present?

- A. 8 Weeks** B. 5 Weeks
C. 12 Weeks D. 15 Weeks

24. When does a baby in the womb first begin to move?

- A. 20 Weeks **B. 7 Weeks**
C. 5 Weeks D. 10 Weeks

25. What is the earliest point at which a premature baby can survive outside the womb with today's modern medical technology?

- A. 30 Weeks B. 10 Weeks
C. 21 Weeks D. 15 Weeks

26. What is the scientific Law of Biogenesis?

The Law of Biogenesis is the scientific law that every living creature reproduces after its own kind.

Humans beget humans, mice beget mice, etc.

27. How does the child in the womb differ from you and me?

Not in any way that would diminish their value or personhood but they are different from us in at least four ways; their size, environment (womb), level of development, and degree of dependency.

28. In the Roe v Wade Supreme Court case, the justices said that abortion was to be "safe and rare." Looking back over the last thirty years, do you think that abortion has been safe and rare?

Abortion is far from rare in America when a child is murdered every 24 to 43 seconds depending on the year examined since 1973. Abortion is not safe for women with over 340 documented deaths and thousands more women suffering from Post-Abortion Syndrome, emergency hysterectomy, hemorrhage, infection, abscess, incapacitation and coma. It is certain that abortion is not safe for women and clearly abortion is never safe for the developing baby. See *Lime 5* by Mark Crutcher (warning this book is extremely graphic).

29. What organization commits the greatest number of abortions in America each year?

A. Planned Parenthood

B. N.A.R.A.L

C. Hospitals

30. Do abortion providers have to follow strict medical guidelines for surgical procedures like other medical practices?

No, free standing abortion providers are the most unregulated industry in the country. See Dr. Willke's book, *Abortion Questions and Answers (Love them Both)* chapter 18 especially, pages 136 and 137.

31. Does the law require that a minor obtain parental consent before she has an abortion?

No, however, some states have passed legislation to this effect.

32. How many women who are not pregnant undergo an abortion because the abortionist failed to confirm their pregnancy?

A. 15% B. 3% **C. 10%** D. 5%

(See page 136, 137 in Abortion Questions and Answers, Willke)

33. Does having an abortion increase a woman's chance of having future miscarriages, pre-term labor, and breast cancer?

Yes and these are just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to increased risk factors.

34. How many women have died since 1973 in legal abortion facilities?

A. 500 B. 57 C. 202 **D. 347**

35. Does the father have any rights concerning the decision to abort his unborn child?

No, the father has been given no legal rights concerning the fate of his unborn child.

36. What is the projected number of people affected by a single abortion?

A. 2 **B. 5** C. 9 D. 1

37. List some of the symptoms of Post-Abortion Syndrome. What percentage of men and women suffer from it following an abortion?

Guilt, depression, sadness, lack of self worth, alcohol and drug abuse, eating and sleeping disorders, sexual disorders, disruption of interpersonal relationships, suicidal feelings, etc. While there is no definitive hard data on the number of men and women who suffer from Post-Abortion Syndrome conservative estimates by professionals place the percentages at 50% for men and 65% for women.

38. What is the most lethal place in America for children?

- A. Cars
- B. Abusive homes
- C. Gang territory
- D. Womb**

39. After viewing ultrasounds of their babies, what percentage of women who were considering an abortion decide against it?

- A. 50%
- B. 80%**
- C. 75%

40. Why do women have abortions? (What reasons do they give?)

Unready for responsibility, finances, timing, failed contraception, unwanted child, psychological reasons, lack of support from the father, forced by partner or parents, rape, incest, tubal pregnancy, fetal handicap, sex selection, etc. 93% of all abortions are preformed on healthy moms with healthy babies.

41. What percentage of abortions occur because of rape and incest each year?

- A. 25%
- B. 10%
- C. 5%
- D. 1%**

42. What do the majority of women report about their feelings after aborting a child conceived by rape or incest?

- A. Relief
- B. Regret**
- C. Vindication
- D. Guilt**

43. Are there any failed abortions, or babies who survive abortion?

Yes! Read *Gianna Aborted and Lived to Tell About It* by Jessica Shaver and Gianna Jessen.

44. What role, if any, do men play in the abortion decision?

Men play a substantial role in abortion according to most women who have been interviewed following an abortion. Men sometimes force their partners to abort through threats and violence. Men often abandon their partners leaving them alone and feeling helpless. Men can cover up their promiscuity, adultery, rape and incest by encouraging or forcing women to have abortions. Sadly, when men do want to protect and provide for their child they are denied the opportunity if the child's mother decides to abort against their wishes.

45. What is the only 100% effective method of birth control that allows a man and a woman to choose the time of their pregnancy?

Abstinence!

46. Is emergency contraception like RU486 really aborting living children?

Yes!

47. Several methods of birth control do not allow the fertilized egg to implant into the lining of the uterus, thus aborting the child. What are they?

The following methods of birth control prevent implantation in the uterus: the IUD, Norplant, Depo Provera, Progesterone only pills and RU486. See chapter 20, pg148–158 in Dr. Willke's book.

48. Is some of the money we pay in taxes being used to fund abortion providers?

Yes, only a handful of states have passed legislation to stop state funded abortion.

49. What is the relationship between sexual purity/ sexual immorality and abortion?

Sexual immorality (fornication, adultery, pornography, rape, incest, lust) is the root cause of abortion while God's model of abstinence, purity, respect, and marriage will diminish or end abortion depending on the number of people who live by it.

50. What percentage of American women under age 45 have had at least one abortion?

A. 50% B. 25% **C. 40%** D. 10%

51. What does the Word of God say about abortion? (Give Scriptural references to support your answer)

Abortion is against God's will, did not enter His mind, must be stopped, is an abomination, will be judged, people who have committed it can be forgiven and healed, etc. Psalm 139:13, 14; Luke 1:44; Jeremiah 1:5; Numbers 35:33; Isaiah 45:5–12; Job 31:15; Genesis 1:26, 4:1; James 5:5, 6; Galatians 1:15; Exodus 20:13; Jeremiah 32:35; Psalm 106:36–38; Proverbs 24:10–12; Psalm 32:1–5; Psalm 145:8–10; Zephaniah 3:17.

52. Where can you go to find information about the abortion issue?

The Right to Life office, internet, pregnancy resource center, library, Christian book store and Heritage House (www.hh76.com)

53. If you oppose abortion, what can you do to help others, limit the total number of abortions, or stop it completely?

Read the conclusion of *Who Am I* again, pray diligently, and be creative in your approach to end abortion by using your particular gifts and abilities to God's glory!

54. How should Christians treat people who have had abortions, or who have worked in the abortion industry?

We should treat them the way Jesus treated us with grace, truth, and forgiveness. We can make constant intercession for their deliverance from sin and their salvation unto Christ. Reach out to them and share the love of God!

55. Can compelling arguments against abortion be made biblically, scientifically, biologically, logically, philisophically, and evidentially?

Yes! See *Pro-Life 101* by Scott Klusendorf (www.str.org)

56. What does the Bible say about children in the womb and out of the womb?

Children are people from the moment of conception, a blessing and highly valued by God. The Bible treats them as equals in word, thought and action. Psalm 139; Luke 1; Isaiah 44; Psalm 142; Hebrews 2:14-17; Psalm 127; Romans 8:16, 17; 1 John 3:1.

57. What does the Bible say about justice?

God is just, all men will be judged by Jesus Christ and that all those who have been justified by faith in Jesus should practice and pursue justice. Genesis 18:18, 19; Exodus 23:1-6; 1 Kings 3:16-28; Psalm 72:1-4; Proverbs 17:15, 18:5; Isaiah 1:21-23; Matthew 23:23, 24; Luke 18:1-8.

58. What does the Bible say about love, helping others, the poor, the needy, the weak, and the fatherless?

God is love and He loves us so much that He sacrificed His Son Jesus to save us and reconcile us to Himself. We should love God and our neighbor. Loving our neighbor involves helping them when they are poor, needy, weak and fatherless. Deuteronomy 10:17-19; Psalm 82:1-8, 94:1-15; Isaiah 58:6-11; Jeremiah 7:1-11; Hebrews 13:1-8; James 5:1-12; 1 John 3:11-19.

59. What does the Bible say about forgiveness?

Forgiveness is available to all who seek it and that the Lord delights to forgive a repentant person. As forgiven people we should also forgive others like Jesus forgave us. Genesis 45:4-8; Numbers 14:18, 19; Psalm 32:1-5; Micah 7:18, 19; Matthew 6:14; Luke 7:37-47; Colossians 1:21-23; 1 John 1:8, 9.

60. Please write down in the space provided what you think about the experience of taking this test and anything else you would like to know regarding abortion.
