

SCA Israel Quiz

Answers:

1. True or False: Pope Benedict XVI traveled to Israel on an official visit in May 2009.
 - a. True
 - b. False
2. Which entity is a member of the International Criminal Court?
 - a. Israel
 - b. Palestinian Authority
3. What role does MK Ahmad Tibi hold and want to retain in the new Knesset?
 - a. Attorney General
 - b. Deputy Speaker
 - c. Secretary
 - d. Opposition Leader
4. Which ministry was split to accommodate the negotiations of the current coalition?
 - a. Foreign Ministry
 - b. Education Ministry
 - c. Finance Ministry
 - d. Defense Ministry
5. What is EROS C-3?
 - a. Defensive Drone
 - b. New airplane
 - c. Commercial Satellite
 - d. Spyware
6. Israel Roads Authority is concerned about rising summer temperatures in which area of the country?
 - a. Shefelah
 - b. Jordan River Valley
 - c. Golan
 - d. Jerusalem Corridor
7. The Agranat Commission was an investigation into the handling of which war?
 - a. Yom Kippur
 - b. Sinai Campaign
 - c. Peace for Galilee
 - d. War of Attrition
8. Who said, "Losing elections isn't the end of democracy - it's the essence of democracy,"
 - a. Yair Lapid
 - b. Naftali Bennet
 - c. Binyamin Netanyahu
 - d. Mahmoud Abbas

Food for Thought @ Your Shabbat Table: Prime Minister Netanyahu outlined 3 major policy initiatives for his government: Security from the Iranian threat, expanding the Abraham Accords, and to develop economic opportunities at the edges of the country with improved infrastructure. If you could choose, what would be your 3 top policy initiatives?

1. (a) Pope Benedict XVI went to Israel on an official papal visit in May 2009. Before Pope Benedict, Pope Paul VI spent one day in Jerusalem in 1964. Pope John Paul II visited in 2000. Then Pope Benedict, and Pope Francis in 2014.
2. (b) Israel is not a member state of the International Criminal Court and as such does not view the ICC as having jurisdiction over any issues concerning the State of Israel. However, the ICC did accept Palestine as a member state effective April 2015.
3. (b) Ahmad Tibi was the Deputy Speaker of the Knesset in the previous government and would like to retain that role. Several coalition partners are not in favor, but the majority party, Likud, is in favor of his retaining the post.
4. (d) The Defense Ministry was split with the appointment of 2 ministers to the department. The Defense Minister is a former Major General of the IDF, Yoav Gallant. However, Bezalel Smotrich was given control of the Defense Ministry as it applies to the settlements.
5. (c) The EROS C-3 is a commercial satellite that was launched by Space X this past week. EROS stands for Earth Resources Observation Satellite. It was designed by Israel Aircraft Industries.
6. (b) The Jordan River Valley and the Aravah experience much hotter temperatures than the rest of the country. Based on this past summer's soaring temperatures around the globe, Israel's Roads Authority is determining whether action is needed on their part to prevent any melting of roads in the summer months.
7. (a) The Agranat Commission was commissioned in the aftermath of the Yom Kippur War to investigate why the IDF was not prepared. It was released to the public on January 1, 1995, 20 years after it was commissioned with small segments left out because of ongoing security concerns.
8. (c) Prime Minister Netanyahu said this in response to the many critics in the Knesset and Israeli media who view the ascension of right wing and religious parties as a blow to democracy.