

## **Mortal Threats (adapted from psychologytoday.com)**

### ***How good is your grasp of risk?***

1. What's more common in the United States, (a) suicide or (b) homicide?
2. In which house are you more likely to die an accidental death: (a) a house with a swimming pool (b) a house with a gun?
3. What are the top five causes of accidental death in America, following motor-vehicle accidents, and which is the biggest one?
4. Of the top two causes of nonaccidental death in America, (a) cancer and (b) heart disease, which kills more women?
5. What are the next three causes of nonaccidental death in the United States?
6. How many Americans die from AIDS every year, (a) 12,995, (b) 129,950, or (c) 1,299,500?
7. How many Americans die from diabetes every year? (a) 72,820, (b) 728,200, or (c) 7,282,000?
8. Which kills more Americans, (a) pregnancy and childbirth or (b) malnutrition?

**Answers:** 1. a 2. a 3. In order: drug overdose, fire, choking, falling down stairs, bicycle accidents 4. b 5. In order: stroke, respiratory disease, diabetes 6. a 7. a 8. b