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Facts About Down Syndrome

True / False (Circle one):

1. T F The preferred spelling in the United States is “Down’s” syndrome.
2. T F Most children with Down syndrome are born to younger parents.
3. T F Down syndrome can never be cured.
4. T F Individuals with Down syndrome have feelings just like everyone else.
5. T F Opportunities for individuals with Down syndrome are very limited.

Fill in the Blanks:

6. Life expectancy for individuals with Down syndrome has increased dramatically from 25 in 1983 to _____.
7. Down syndrome occurs in one out of every _____ births, and more than _____ people in the United States have this genetic condition.
8. Down syndrome also encompasses two other genetic conditions: _____ and _____.
9. A 35 year old woman has a one in _____ chance of conceiving a child with Down syndrome. By age 45, the incidence increases to one in _____.
10. In 1959, the French physician, Jerome Lejuene, identified Down syndrome as a chromosomal anomaly when he observed _____ chromosomes present in each cell of individuals with Down syndrome instead of the usual _____.