FACTS ON AGING QUIZ

Name_____

- T F 1. The majority of old people (past age 65) are senile (i.e., defective memory, disoriented, or demented).
- T F 2. All five senses tend to decline in old age.
- T F 3. Most old people have no interest in, or capacity for, sexual relations.
- T F 4. Lung capacity tends to decline in old age.
- T F 5. The majority of old people feel miserable most of the time.
- T F 6. Physical strength tends to decline in old age.
- T F 7. At least one-tenth of the aged are living in long-stay institutions (i.e., nursing homes, mental hospitals, homes for the aged, etc.).
- T F 8. Aged drivers have fewer accidents per person than drivers under the age of 65.
- T F 9. Most older workers cannot work as effectively as younger workers.
- T F 10. About 80% of the aged are healthy enough to carry out their normal activities.
- T F 11. Most old people are set in their ways and unable to change.
- T F 12. Old people usually take longer to learn something new.
- T F 13. It is almost impossible for most old people to learn something new.
- T F 14. The reaction time of most old people tends to be slower than the reaction time of younger people.
- T F 15. In general, most old people are pretty much alike.
- T F 16. The majority of older people are seldom bored.
- T F 17. The majority of older people are socially isolated and lonely.
- T F 18. Older workers have fewer accidents than younger workers.
- T F 19. Over 15% of the U.S. population are now age 65 or over.
- T F 20. Most medical practitioners tend to give low priority to the aged.
- T F 21. The majority of older people have incomes below the poverty level (as defined by the federal government).
- T F 22. The majority of old people are working or would like to have some kind of work to do (including housework and volunteer work).
- T F 23. Older people tend to become more religious as they age.
- T F 24. The majority of old people are seldom irritated or angry.