

Poverty & Homelessness True or False Quiz

**Poverty and homelessness
have reached epidemic
proportions which we have
never seen before in
Canadian history.**

True



False

**80% of homeless
Canadians don't live on
the streets.**

True



False

The estimated cost of unhealthy eating in NL is approximately \$126 million annually.

True



False

**Fruit and vegetable
consumption in NL is lower
than the national average.**

True



False

**About one-in-seven users
of shelters across Canada
is a child.**

True



False

NL has the lowest provincial per capita rate of food bank use.

The highest! And the highest % of families with kids using food banks

True

False



**Single middle aged males
are the fastest growing
homeless group.**

True

False



**More seniors than ever are
retiring into poverty.**

True



False

NL has the highest home ownership in Canada largest increase in the new home prices.

True



False

**Vacancy rates across NL
hover around 3% which
makes for a healthy market.**

Record low vacancy rates!

True

False



**Approximately 10% of those
that are homeless have
mental health issues.**

40% is a conservative number

True

False



A single person on Social Assistance could easily spend 100% on shelter alone.

True



False

**Approximately 1000
households are on the NLHC
rent geared to income housing
waiting list.**

True



False

**In Canada more than
1.5 million children
live in poverty.**

True



False

**800,000 Canadian women
working fulltime earn less
than \$20,000 a year.**

True



False

**NL Poverty Reduction
Strategy consultations in
2010 identified housing and
homelessness as a priority
issue.**

True



False

Poverty to Grade 4's & 5's



“Feeling ashamed when my dad can't get a job”

“Not getting a pet because it costs too much”

“Being teased for the way you are dressed”

“Not getting a hot dog on hot dog day”

“Wishing you could go to McDonald's”

“Watching the other kids buy stuff at the school
bake sale”

“Hearing my Mom and Dad fight over money”

Poverty to Grade 4's & 5's



“Sometimes it’s really hard because my mom gets scared and she cries”

“Being afraid to tell your mom that you need gym shoes”

“Pretending that you forgot your lunch”

“Hiding your feet so the teacher won't get cross when you don't have boots”

“Not being able to take swimming or hockey lessons”