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Cesar Chavez & Community Organizing - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. Cesar Chavez was a

- A. migrant farmer and governor of California.
- B. labor leader and civil rights activist.
- C. peanut farmer and labor leader.
- D. teacher and civil rights activist.

2. When Chavez was young, he and his family

- A. moved to Mexico.
- B. were separated by war.
- C. became rich from farming.
- D. were cheated out of their land.

3. What did Chavez's parents do for a living?

- A. They were doctors.
- B. They were dairy farmers.
- C. They were migrant farmers.
- D. They were civil rights activists.

4. What does "¡Si se puede!" mean?

- A. It can be done!
- B. It can't be done!
- C. It must to be done!
- D. How can it be done?

5. What did Chavez do during his time at a LatinX civil rights organization at age 25?

- A. He earned a college degree.
- B. He worked to improve community relations.
- C. He started a boycott against California grapes.
- D. He wrote the California Agricultural Labor Relations Act.

6. What was the original name of the labor union Chavez co-founded with Dolores Huerta?

- A. The Farm Workers Union
- B. The Union of Chavez and Huerta
- C. The United Migrant Farmers of America
- D. The National Farm Workers Association

7. Which of the following was **not** something that Chavez's labor union lobbied for?

- A. paid vacation
- B. higher wages
- C. unemployment insurance
- D. collective bargaining rights

8. True or False: Before the 1960s, grape pickers in California were not allowed to unionize.

- A. True
- B. False

9. Why did Chavez help organize a grape boycott?

- A. to raise awareness of the health benefits of grapes
- B. to punish Mexican-American grape juice companies
- C. to help Filipino-American farmers get fair pay for their work
- D. to help Filipino-American farmers find new and better-paying jobs

10. In 1975, the California Agricultural Labor Relations Act was signed, guaranteeing _____ for farm workers.

- A. health insurance
- B. free crops and food
- C. collective bargaining rights
- D. paid vacation and sick leave