

# Divorce – Answer Key

- 1) What court in Manitoba deals with divorce? *The Court of Queen's Bench*
- 2) Can a 16 or 17 year old get married in Manitoba? If so, under what circumstances? *Yes, but must have parental consent, consent of guardians or of a judge.*
- 3) How long do common law partners have to live together before having to share their property, if they have not registered their relationship with Vital Statistics? *3 years, one year for Canada Pension Plan.*
- 4) How long does at least one of the spouses have to be resident in Manitoba before filing for a divorce in Manitoba? *1 year*
- 5) Under what circumstances can a child over 18 still be a child of the marriage? *If the child is unable to support him or herself because of illness or some other reason, for example, if the child is going to school full-time.*
- 6) How long can spouses be reconciled and not interrupt the living one year separate and apart? *90 days*
- 7) Is a marriage of short duration grounds for an annulment? *No*
- 8) How many days after it is granted does a divorce take effect? *Takes effect on the 31<sup>st</sup> day.*
- 9) Can spouses be living under the same roof and still be separated? *Yes*
- 10) What relatives are not allowed to marry under *The Marriage Act*? *Brothers and sisters, parents and their children, grandparents and their grandchildren.*
- 11) What is one of the ways to prove marriage break-down? *Any one of the following: Adultery, Mental or Physical cruelty or living separate and apart for a year.*
- 12) Does the court recognize religious annulments? *No*