

Life on the Seine

Read the article and choose the correct option.

1 Which statement is true?

- a It's difficult for people in Paris to enjoy the river.
- b The river is key to Parisian life for many people.
- c People are starting to appreciate the Seine for the first time.

2 Which statement is true?

- a The best time to go to the river is in summer.
- b The Seine flows through the middle of Paris.
- c You can take part in water sports on the river.

Read the article again and choose the correct option.

3 According to the first paragraph ...

- a roads from Paris count the distance from the *Île de la Cité*.
- b the compass in front of the cathedral points to the river.
- c the *Île de la Cité* is in the middle of France.

4 The Seine helps Parisians ...

- a feel their city has a heart.
- b know their location in Paris.
- c travel to other places in France.

5 What was unusual about Claude Tharreau's actions?

- a He made his decision very quickly.
- b He spent years looking for a houseboat.

- c The boat he bought was in front of his apartment.

6 The beach on the Seine ...

- a is a focus for all kinds of different activities.
- b has always been part of a traditional Paris summer.
- c was a one-off experiment twelve years ago.

7 Which statement is true?

- a It takes a month to build the beach each summer.
- b The beach is there all year round but is only open in summer.
- c There are many elements to the construction of the beach.

8 Which statement is true?

- a If you see someone in difficulty in the river, you must jump in and rescue them.
- b It costs 38 euros to get access to swimming in the Seine.
- c The activities you can do on the river are strictly controlled.

9 What has a maximum fine of 75,000 euros?

- a calling the police for no reason
- b jumping into the river
- c not trying to assist a drowning person

10 According to the final paragraph, Monet and Matisse ...

- a collected objects that they found in the Seine.
- b shared a studio on the river.
- c were two artists who worked near the river.