# Computer History Contest

Total Points:

**1. HTML** – Tim Berners-Lee invented the language that transforms the Internet into a visual and user friendly medium.

**2. iPhone** - The first successful smartphone that included an app store-

**3. Transistor** – The use of semiconductor as a switch by Bell Laboratories. -

**4. Mr. Couprie Graduates from High School**– Computer teacher extraordinaire takes his first step into the real world.

**5. Integrated Circuits** – The placement of many transistors on one chip by Texas Instruments. -

**6. Steve Jobs Gets Fired from Apple** – The creator of the iPod and iPhone gets fired from the company he founded.

**7. Ray Kurzweil’s “Singularity”** - Millionaire inventor Ray Kurzweil predicts that in \_\_\_\_ computers will surpass the brainpower of all humans combined.

**8. ARPANet** – The US government connects 4 Universities in the first version of the Internet. -

**9. ENIAC** **–** First programmable computer. It used vacuum tubes as a switch.

**10. Altair 8800** – The first personal computer is marketed. It was just a box with lights but it could be programmed.

**11. BASIC Compiler** – Microsoft develops the first program for personal computers that allow programmers to use “English-like” words.

# Computer History Contest - Solutions

**1. HTML** – 1990s or possibly 1989

**2. iPhone** - 2000s

**3. Transistor** – 1950s

**4. Mr. Couprie Graduates from High School**– Secret. You may want to update this one.

**5. Integrated Circuits** – 1950s

**6. Steve Jobs Gets Fired from Apple** – 1980s

**7. Ray Kurzweil’s “Singularity”** - 2040s

**8. ARPANet** – 1960s

**9. ENIAC** **–** 1940s

**10. Altair 8800** – 1970s

**11. BASIC Compiler** – 1970s