

AMERICAN LITERATURE: Identify the following about the classic war novel, *The Red Badge of Courage*.

Team A: The regiment in which young Henry Fleming serves is the 304th regiment from what state, where Stephen Crane lived much of his life and attended college at Syracuse?

Ans: New York

Team B: The two-day battle on which the novel is based is not named, but is believed to be what 1863 battle in which Stonewall Jackson was shot by friendly fire?

Ans: Chancellorsville

Toss Up: This character is a clear Christ figure. His initials, J.C., point the reader to look for messianic characteristics. He is the character that brings the "good news" that the army is going to march. He dies for the sake of his comrades, and his death is depicted as a type of sacrament. Who is this character, who is initially known as the "tall soldier"?

Ans: Jim Conklin [prompt on partial answer]

MATH: 20 SECONDS: Give the next two terms of the sequence.

Team B: $\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{8} \dots$

Ans: $\frac{3}{16}, \frac{3}{32}$

Team A: .3, 1.6, 2.9...

Ans: 4.2, 5.5

Toss Up: 1, 2, 6, 24 ...

Ans: 120, 720

WORLD HISTORY: Identify the following German concentration camps of World War II.

Team A: The largest and most notorious was what camp located in Poland where an estimated one million Jews and other Nazi targets were exterminated?

Ans: Auschwitz [also accept Auschwitz-Birkenau]

Team B: Located near Munich is what oldest of the concentration camps, where people died from forced labor and as victims of medical experiments, and which was liberated by the Americans in 1945?

Ans: Dachau

Toss Up: In 1943, the Jewish prisoners at this extermination camp in Poland received a message from the Belzec camp that this camp was to be abolished and all its prisoners killed. They began plotting an escape that received welcomed aid when a number of Jewish Soviet POWs were sent there and were able to lend their military expertise. In the uprising, an estimated 600 prisoners escaped, although most either died in the mine fields surrounding the camp, were shot by guards, or were executed after being recaptured. In all, fifty-eight people are known to have survived the escape, and another sixteen people who were recaptured survived the remaining two years of the war. What is this camp, which was razed after the escape in an attempt to discredit escapees who would tell of its location?

Ans: Sobibor

FINE ARTS: These questions are based on the 2015 movie, *Woman in Gold*.

Team B: The *Woman in Gold* in the title refers to a painting by what Austrian artist, whose works were looted by the Nazis in Austria after the Anschluss?

Ans: (Gustav) Klimt

Team A: Klimt was a member of a group of modern artists known as the Austrian_____ because they broke away from tradition. Fill in the blank with a word that means to break away and was well known to 19th century Americans.

Ans: Secession

Toss Up: In an appropriate twist, the lawyer who represented heir Maria Altman in her lawsuit against the Austrian government to regain possession of the portrait was the grandson of what famous Austrian composer, whose works had also been banned by the Nazis, both because he was Jewish and because he pioneered atonality?

Ans: (Arnold) Schoenberg

LIFE SCIENCE

Team A: What plant, important to the economy of the colonial American South, is a major source of blue dye?

Ans: indigo

Team B: The madder plant is a major source of what color dye that was important to the British troops stationed in colonial America?

Ans: red

Toss Up: This common perennial that blooms in early May in Ohio is a major source of green dye. The dye comes not from its green, heart-shaped leaves but from its purple flowers. What is this common plant that grows in bushes and is highly prized for its fragrance?

Ans: lilac(s)

ENGLISH/WORLD LITERATURE:

Team B: This important writer of the neoclassical period in England was denied a high level education and was not allowed to live in London because he was Roman Catholic, yet his poem, "An Essay on Criticism," is one of the most important works of the early 18th century. Who was this very short man?

Ans: (Alexander) Pope

Team A: One of Pope's closest friends was what other satirist, whose works include the essay, *A Modest Proposal*?

Ans: (Jonathan) Swift

Toss Up: Pope's most famous poem is a mock epic. It based on an actual incident that occurred when a feud broke out between the families of Arabella Fermor and Lord Petre, who cut off a snip of Arabella's hair. Pope wrote the poem with the hope of showing the families how trivial their disagreement was. What is this poem, which belittles the feud by comparing Petre's action to a more serious crime?

Ans: "(The) Rape of the Lock"

GOVERNMENT/ECONOMICS: The names used in these questions were correct as of November 1, 2015.

Team A: As of November 1, 2015, General Joseph F. Dunford, Jr., currently holds what important position in the Obama Administration?

Ans: Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff [must be complete without prompting]

Team B: General Dunford is only the second member of what military branch to serve as chairman of the joint chiefs?

Ans: Marines [also accept USMC]

Toss Up: Besides the four branches of the military, the chief of this bureau is also a member of the Joint Chiefs. Currently, this position is held by Frank J. Grass. Also sometimes called "the Reserves," is what branch that often includes people who serve on an as-needed basis?

Ans: National Guard [Allow clarification on "Reserves" on an early buzz]

PHYSICAL SCIENCE

Team B: What term that is also used in music refers to the up-and-down orientation of the nose of an airplane?

Ans: pitch

Team A: What term that is also used in bowling refers to the rotation of the airplane on the axis that goes from nose to tail?

Ans: roll

Toss Up: This movement is controlled by the rudder. It relates to airplanes, spacecraft, and other moving bodies that have a tendency to rotate around their center of gravity. What three-letter word describes the side-to-side movement of plane along an axis that is perpendicular to the wings?

Ans: yaw

WORLD GEOGRAPHY

Team A: What European country leads the world in total exports?

Ans: Germany

Team B: What European country with territorial waters in the North Sea is Europe's leading producer of oil?

Ans: Norway

Toss Up: In this European country, twelve percent of the population is employed in the fishing industry, which leaves the national economy very vulnerable to fluctuations in the fish oil market. What is this country, which lies atop the Atlantic Ridge, whose volcanoes formed this island nation?

Ans: Iceland

AMERICAN HISTORY

Team B: In 1889, over 2,200 people died when a devastating flood struck what city in western Pennsylvania?

Ans: Johnstown

Team A: In 1900, the worst U. S. natural disaster to date took an estimated 6,000 to 12,000 lives when a hurricane struck what city on Texas' Gulf coast?

Ans: Galveston

Toss Up: In 1871 in Pestigo, Wisconsin and adjacent parts of Michigan's Upper Peninsula, this disaster took somewhere between 1,200 and 2,500 lives. It might have been better known, had not a similar disaster taken 300 lives on the same day in Chicago. Pestigo remains the most deadly incident of what kind of natural disaster?

Ans: (forest) fire

ALPHABET ROUND "T"

1. MULTI-WORD ANSWER: Popular Shakespeare comedy that was made into a musical called *Kiss Me Kate* and was adapted into the movie *Ten Things I Hate About You*
2. American economist who won the 1981 Nobel Prize in Economics for his quotient which equals the ratio of the market value of a firm divided by the replacement costs of the firm's assets; known as this man's "Q," if it is greater than one, then the firm would profit from expansion
3. Slightly different from an amulet, this is a kind of "charm" is believed to bring good luck
4. TWO-WORD ANSWER: 145 workers, all of them immigrant girls who worked under sweatshop conditions, were killed in 1911 when a fire broke out in this NY factory
5. Elementary particle of the lepton family that has the same charge as an electron but twice the mass of a proton
6. TWO-WORD ANSWER: type of story that originated on the American frontier; involves comedic exaggeration; the stories about Paul Bunyan are good examples
7. As a verb, this three-letter word can mean to cause something to topple or to leave a gratuity; as a noun, it can be a brief bit of advice or the gratuity itself
8. English Romantic painter who elevated water color landscapes to an accepted art form; also worked extensively in oils; works include *Rain, Steam, and Speed* and *The Fighting Temeraire*
9. U. S. state capital city that is the "T" in the AT&SF Railroad, once one of the longest in the U. S. but now merged with the Burlington Northern
10. Any algebraic expression of three terms
11. Computer term for 1,024 gigabytes
12. Ohio senator whose name is attached to the 1947 National Labor Relations Act, which restricted the rights of certain unions to strike
13. King Tupou VI is the current monarch of this Polynesian kingdom of approximately 170 islands
14. Media mogul born in Cincinnati but based in Atlanta who founded CNN and made WTBS the first superstation; has donated more than \$1 billion to the United Nations
15. This 1845 Romantic opera by Richard Wagner is set during a 13th century singing contest in Wartburg; its main character is a Meistersinger, but Wagner added a character modeled on St. Elizabeth of Hungary
16. English translation of the German word *drei*
17. MULTI-WORD ANSWER: Collection of short stories by Washington Irving that includes "The Devil and Tom Walker"
18. Anatomical name for the shinbone
19. Norse god who was the son of Odin; god of war; multiple spellings accepted
20. Last name of the eventual monarch who won the Battle of Bosworth Field, married Elizabeth of York, and united houses of York and Lancaster into this new dynasty

ANSWERS TO ALPHABET ROUND "T"

1. *(The) Taming of the Shrew*
2. Tobin (James)
3. talisman(s)
4. Triangle Shirtwaist (Factory Fire)
5. tau
6. tall tale(s)
7. tip
8. Turner (J. M.M.)
9. Topeka
10. trinomial
11. terabyte
12. Taft (Robert)
13. Tonga
14. Turner (Ted)
15. Tannehauser
16. three
17. *(The) Tales of a Traveler*
18. tibia
19. Tyr or Tiw or Twes or Tio [or any other close spelling]
20. Tudor (Henry)

FINAL ROUND

1. *The Hunger Games* series clearly owes a debt to this 1949 short story by Shirley Jackson. What is this story, in which the "winner" of the title event is stoned to death?

Ans: "(The) Lottery"

2. The Cajun French name for this unusual percussion instrument is "frotter," which comes from the French for "to rub." It has been traditionally used in "jug" bands and zydeco as well as jazz. What is this musical device, which is actually an old-fashioned item for cleaning clothes?

Ans: washboard

3. What is the complementary angle to a 62° angle?

Ans: 28°

4. This man was elected as the senator from New York in 1964, even though his residency in that state had been very brief. Previously, this Massachusetts resident had served as Attorney General and as a close confidant and advisor to the president. Who was this man, who was assassinated in California in 1968 by Sirhan Sirhan?

Ans: Robert (F.) Kennedy [prompt if first name is not given; accept RFK]

5. Nothing is known for sure about the life of this woman except that she was less than four feet tall and definitely walked upright. Called "the mother of all humankind," she was discovered by Donald C. Johanson in Ethiopia in 1974. What female, whose skeleton is more than three million years old, was named for a popular Beatles song?

Ans: Lucy

6. According to the Biblical book of Luke, this prophetess was present at the Temple when Mary and Joseph presented Jesus to fulfill the law. She thanked God for allowing her to live to see the Messiah. Who was this woman, whose name was similar to the name of Mary's mother?

Ans: Anna [do NOT accept Ann]

7. Based on several social movements, the OED named this word its 2015 word of the year. What is this word, whose selection was largely influenced by the transgender movement?

Ans: identity

8. This device, which was first used in 1745 by Georg van Kleist, was the first known capacitor. What is this glass device, named for the university in Holland where it was invented?

Ans: Leyden jar [pronounced LIE den]

9. This North American city is the only one on the continent to be ranked among the Top Ten World Cities in both population and high income. It was first settled by Europeans in the 17th century, but it only became a single city in 1898 when its five boroughs were consolidated. What is this city, which is located on one of the world's largest natural harbors?

Ans: New York (City)

10. In January, 2016, President Obama quoted Martin Luther King's statement that we must understand "the urgency of now" when he introduced executive action on this controversial subject. What objects was President Obama seeking to restrict?

Ans: gun(s) [accept gun control or similar on an early buzz]

11. In versions of Windows after 2007, this term replaced the "File Menu" and changes to indicate the action of the computer. In an old fashioned typewriter, it was an inked piece of cloth that had to be change occasionally. What is this six-letter word that begins with "r"?

Ans: ribbon

12. This area of life science was first named by William Bateson around 1900. He was the most important scientist to popularize the theories of Gregor Mendel. What is this term for the study of the causes of inheritable traits?

Ans: genetics

13. Rubeus is the seldom-used first name of this literary character, who first appears in a 1990 work. His great love of animals sometimes works against him, but he is a loyal friend to the title character. Who is this man, who first left Harry Potter with the Dursleys?

Ans: Hagrid

14. The name of this ship was Spanish for "Friendship," an ironic name since the ship was employed in transporting slaves from Havana to other parts of Cuba. When the slaves, led by Joseph Cinque, revolted and were then captured by an American ship near Long Island, the Supreme Court ruled that they had been illegally transported and should be free. What was the name of this ship, which is listed as the defendant in the Supreme Court case, and which became the title of the Steven Spielberg movie about the event?

Ans: (La) *Amistad*

15. Located in Africa, this is the second deepest lake in the world. Found on the borders between Tanzania, Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Zambia, it is nearly 5,000 feet deep at its deepest point. What is this lake, which is also the world's longest lake and its second greatest freshwater lake in volume?

Ans: (Lake) Tanganyika

16. The acronym ELF does not refer to Santa's helper but to this type of electromagnetic field. This type of electromagnetism has been linked to cancer, miscarriages, and headaches. For what do the letters in ELF stand?

Ans: extremely low frequency

17. This term that was not used until the nineteenth century refers to an architectural style that was dominant during the eleventh and twelfth centuries. Relying on thick walls, barrel vaults, and strong piers for support, what form of architecture left room for only small windows and was gradually supplanted by the Gothic style?

Ans: Romanesque

18. This Swedish inventor was shocked to read his own obituary in a newspaper. When the obituary referred to him as the "merchant of death," he decided that he wanted to be remembered differently. What industrialist, who invented dynamite, used his many profits to endow major awards in the sciences, literature, and peace?

Ans: (Alfred) Nobel

19. In English, this single letter of the alphabet is the definite article. In Spanish, it is a preposition meaning "to." What is this single-letter word?

Ans: a

20. This Greek goddess was always accompanied by her pet snake. She had various epithets including "Aegis-bearing," "Polias," and "Pallas." Who was this goddess of wisdom?

Ans: Athena [NOT Minerva]