

Covering an area of 1.8 square miles at an elevation of 1,475 feet above sea level, it was a source of fish and water for Native Americans in the area long before it was discovered by white settlers. Henry Rowe Schoolcraft developed the widely-accepted theory that leads to this lake's greatest claim to fame. FTP, identify this Minnesota lake that Schoolcraft identified as the source of the Mississippi River.

Answer: Lake Itasca

Its pig-like body may reach as long as 6 feet, including its long snout and tail. With rabbit-like ears, short legs, and long toes, it feeds primarily in the sub-Saharan night. With a name that is Afrikaans for "earth-pig," this mammal breaks open termite and ant hills to feed on the inhabitants. FTP, identify this creature, known for their long, sticky tongues.

Answer: Aardvark or African Ant Eater (prompt on "anteater")

At about 400 miles long and 150 wide, the natives of this island were wiped out by the Spanish, who in turn resettled the island along with their African slaves. In the late 18th century, these slaves revolted and claimed the entire island for themselves after winning their independence in 1804. FTP, identify this island on which Columbus first landed in 1492, the home of Haiti and The Dominican Republic.

Answer: Hispaniola

He was born Louis Eugene Walcott in 1933. After converting to Sunni Islam, he broke with Malcolm X. In 1978, he started an organization that promoted anti-Semitism as well as black self-help, and racial separatism. FTP, identify this organizer of the Million Man March and leader of the Nation of Islam.

Answer: Louis Farrakhan

In 1967, the first one took place and was 67 miles long. It commemorates a 1925 emergency mission that was to get emergency medical supplies to Nome, Alaska. By 1973 it had evolved into the 1,152 mile race that it is now, with the track roughly following an old mail route. Taking between 9 and 12 days to complete is – FTP- what annual Alaskan race run by sled dogs?

Answer: Iditarod

Having arrived in America in 1777, as inspector general and major in the army, he was a commander at the Battle of Yorktown. He joined the Prussian army at the age of 16 and served as a captain in the Seven Year's War. Upon recommendation, he came to America and was appointed to train the Continental Army at Valley Forge. FTP, identify this German-American who turned George Washington's troops into a disciplined fighting force.

Answer: Baron Frederick William von Steuben

Discovered in 1499 by Alonso de Ojeda, it shares its name with the second-largest city in the country in which it is located. Although the area around it is disease-ridden, it is one of the

most oil-rich regions on earth. One of the longest bridges in the world, the General Rafael Urdaneta Bridge, spans – FTP – what Venezuelan lake, the largest in South America?

Answer: Lake Maracaibo

After serving various diplomatic posts, he was executive secretary of the NAACP from 1920 to 1930. He collaborated with his brother on over 200 songs for Broadway, and wrote two very influential novels: 1912's *Autobiography of an Ex-Coloured Man* and 1927's *God's Trombones*. FTP, identify this man who is also credited with writing the "negro national anthem" – "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

Answer: James Weldon Johnson

Dating back to 1893, today it publishes data based on 20 transportation stocks, 15 utility stocks, and 30 "blue chip" industrial stocks. It also publishes a composite average of all three. FTP, identify this company that began publishing *The Wall Street Journal* in 1889.

Answer: Dow Jones & Co. Also accept Dow Jones Average or Dow Jones Industrial Average

He was admitted to the painter's guild in his native Antwerp in 1598 and two years later moved to Italy where he began working as a diplomat and painter for the Duke of Mantua. This was the beginning of a career that would span three decades and many courts. He worked for the Hapsburgs, the Medicis, Louis XIII of France, Charles I and Philip IV of Spain, and was knighted twice. FTP, identify this painter of *Allegory of Peace and War*, *Raising of the Cross*, and *Descent from the Cross* – a painter most famous for his portrayals of voluptuous nude figures.

Answer: Peter Paul Rubens

Born in 1923 with the last name Kalogeropolous, she studied in Athens where she had her debut in 1939 in the opera *Boccaccio*. Eight years later, she would become an international star after performing *La Gioconda* at the Verona Festival. FTP, identify this coloratura soprano whose vivid performances and striking beauty made her the most famous opera star in the world.

Answer: Maria Callas

The fact that this woman's father frequently and adamantly declared that he would much rather have had a son might have influenced her role in life. Born in Johnstown, New York in 1915, she began fighting for a law that would give property rights to married women after her 1840 marriage. FTP, identify this woman who, in 1848, organized the Seneca Falls convention along with Lucretia Mott.

Answer: Elizabeth Cady Stanton

First opening on Broadway in 1957, it was choreographed by Jerome Robbins. Songs in this musical include "Tonight," "Gee, Officer Krupke," "America," and "I Feel Pretty." With lyrics

written by Stephen Sondheim and music by Leonard Bernstein, this is – FTP – what famous musical, loosely based on *Romeo and Juliet*, that features a feuding duo of street gangs, the Jets and the Sharks?

Answer: Westside Story

His most famous novel is part of a series that also includes titles such as *Streets of Laredo* and *Dead Man's Walk*. Born in Wichita Falls, Texas, his novels often focused on the American West – such as in *Comanche Moon*. FTP, identify this author of *Terms of Endearment* and *Lonesome Dove*.

Answer: Larry McMurtry

The original settlement consisted of a group of hard-working celibates and was established in Pennsylvania by a German immigrant named George Rapp. They moved to Indiana, but Rapp sold this site and they moved back to Pennsylvania. FTP, identify the name of either of these sites, of which the one in Indiana was a socialist community established by Robert Owen.

Answer: Harmony or New Harmony

He appears in the 1892 poetry collection, *The Barrack-Room Ballads*. A water-bearer for the British soldiers in India, he is himself a Hindu. FTP, identify this literary figure who – according to his creator – is “a better man than I.”

Answer: Gunga Din

He received a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech., and received a law degree, opened a law practice in his native Atlanta. However, he is more famous today for his athletic ability despite retiring from his game at the age of 28 as an amateur. FTP, identify this man who retired from golf in 1930 after winning the Grand Slam.

Answer: Bobby Jones

His novel, *The Four Winners*, promoted sportsmanship, honor, and the proper role of athletics in life. Prior to assuming the post for which he is famous, he served as a chemistry teacher at Notre Dame. At the time of his death in an airplane crash in 1931, the Studebaker Company was planning to name a car after him and Hollywood was negotiating to make a movie of his life-a movie that would be made seven years later and include Ronald Reagan as George Gipp. FTP, who was this legendary football coach for the "Fighting Irish"?

Answer: Knute Rockne

Worship of this deity probably derived from the Egyptian god Mendes. Believed to be the son of Mercury and Dryope, his festivals were introduced by Evander, and were called Lupercalia. He loved Syrinx, who was changed into a reed, therefore prompting him to create the seven-reed flute. FTP, name this god of shepherds and herdsman.

Answer: Pan

Apollo killed his mother, Coronis for her infidelity; however, he spared this deity and gave him to Chiron to raise. Becoming proficient in the art of healing, he went too far in the eyes of Zeus when he raised Hippolytus from the dead, and was struck down by Zeus's thunderbolt. FTP, identify this son of Apollo – the Greek god of medicine and healing.

Answer: Asclepius

Hannibal Hamlin, Lincoln's first Vice-President died on this day. President Calvin Coolidge was born on this day. Historically significant for numerous reasons, it also saw the death of the first Vice-President. FTP, identify this day on which, in 1826, former Presidents Jefferson and Adams died – 50 years after the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Answer: July 4th or Independence Day

It was this man, not James Fenimore Cooper, who first introduced Native Americans into American Literature. His works include six Gothic novels – including *Ormond*, *Clara Howard*, and *Edgar Huntley*. The title of his most famous one, however, happens to be the last name of the singer of Stone Temple Pilots and Velvet Revolver. Considered the first professional American author is – FTP – what author of *Wieland*?

Answer: Charles Brockden Brown

The Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood is formed by a group of English writers and artists. Switzerland gets a new constitution, thereby becoming a federal union. Kelvin creates his eponymous temperature scale. *The Communist Manifesto* is published. FTP, all of these events occurred in what year, which also saw the election of Louis Napoleon in France and is known for the numerous revolutions that occurred.

Answer: 1848

Assume that you are traveling to a destination thirty miles away. You travel half of the distance in one hour. You then travel half of that distance the next hour, then half of that, and so on. You will never reach your destination, because you will always have half of the distance to go... This is, FTP, what paradox developed by an Eleatic philosopher?

Answer: Zeno's Paradox

There have been several magazines by this name, including one founded in 1860 in Cincinnati by Moncure Conway and another published in 1880 in Chicago by a group of conservatives. However, the most famous publication by this name published the poetry of Jones Very and William Ellery Channing, as well as the works of its founders – Bronson Alcott, Theodore Parker, Orestes Brownson, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Margaret Fuller. This was – FTP – what New England paper established by the transcendentalists?

Answer: The Dial

Comparable to the ideas of Thoreau in “Civil Disobedience,” it was first introduced in 1906 in South Africa before its developer began using it in India in 1917. It adheres to the idea of nonviolent passive-resistance and followers refuse to partake in any activities they perceive to be wrong. FTP, what was this philosophy of nonviolent protest, designed to conquer through submission, developed by Mohatma Ghandi?

Answer: Satyagraha

Connected to the Gulf of Mexico through Lake Borgne, it is a brackish lagoon full of game fish. 40 miles long and 25 miles wide, it is connected to the Mississippi River via a canal, and it is home to a 23.8 mile-long causeway which is the longest concrete bridge in the world. FTP, what is this large lake located near New Orleans?

Answer: Lake Pontchartrain

After three days of fighting against Xerxes’ Persian army, the Greek army, composed primarily of Spartans, under Leonidas was surrounded. The main Greek army retreated, but Leonidas and a few others stayed behind and were all killed. This described – FTP – what 480 BC battle named for the pass that connects northern and southern Greece?

Answer: Thermopylae

Chromatids separate and rapidly move towards the poles of the spindle. The spindle elongates before the chromatids reach it, and the two groups of chromosomes are pushed farther apart. FTP, this all occurs in what third stage of mitosis?

Answer: Anaphase

Its nickname comes from the chief commissioner of works in 1859 – the year it was made. Originally intended to refer to only the bell, this nickname has now come to refer to the entire 326 foot tall tower. FTP, identify this London landmark named for Sir Benjamin Hall.

Answer: Big Ben

His popularity in the South was increased in 1854 when he joined in writing the Ostend Manifesto. As President, he failed to make a stand regarding the status of Kansas as a slave state, causing a rift in his Democratic Party which contributed to his defeat by Abraham Lincoln. FTP, identify this fifteenth President of the United States.

Answer: James Buchanan

Home of Great Sand Hills, Vermillion Hills, Thunder Hills, as well as Prince Albert National Park, its primary river is divided into south and north branches and shares its name with this province. Cities include Moose Jaw, Uranium City and Saskatoon. FTP, identify this province bordering North Dakota and Montana whose capital is Regina.

Answer: Saskatchewan