

2018-2019 National History Bee Regional Finals – Set 1

Round 1 – Elementary School Division

1. The Kingdom of Aksum ruled this country, which later became the first African country to declare Christianity as a state religion. The namesake empire of this country was also known as Abyssinia. For the point, which African country saw Eritrea break away from it in the 1990's and is where the Derg regime ruled from the capital of Addis Ababa?

ANSWER: Ethiopia

2. The restoration of the Grand Canal and the construction of the Forbidden City occurred under this dynasty's Yongle Emperor, who also oversaw the expeditionary voyages led by Zheng He [zhung HUH]. Overthrown in 1644, for the point, name this Chinese dynasty that preceded the Qing Dynasty and is known for its porcelain vases.

ANSWER: Ming Dynasty

3. In this decade, the publication of Ernest Hemingway's *The Sun Also Rises* popularized the term "lost generation." Most of the Prohibition years occurred in this decade, which was the height of the Jazz Age. For the point, name this "roaring" decade of American history that came between the end of World War I and the start of the Great Depression.

ANSWER: 1920s (prompt on "(Roaring) Twenties")

4. This man's concession of the Sudetenland in Czechoslovakia to one leader became synonymous with this man's policy of "appeasement." This man signed the Munich Agreement with Adolf Hitler prior to the invasion of Poland the following year. For the point, name this prime minister of the United Kingdom at the beginning of World War II.

ANSWER: Neville Chamberlain

5. One prime minister with this surname has a tattoo of Earth on his shoulder and succeeded Stephen Harper of his country's Conservative Party. That current prime minister with this last name was born in Ottawa. For the point, give the surname of Pierre, a Canadian Prime Minister, as well as his son, Justin, the current holder of that office.

ANSWER: **Trudeau** (accept Pierre or Justin Trudeau if they give the first name too)

6. A servant named York was part of this undertaking, two months into which the Platte River was reached. A woman from the Shoshone [show-SHOW-nee] tribe assisted this venture which began in St. Louis in 1804; that woman's name was Sacagawea. Also known as the Corps of Discovery, for the point, name this expedition that explored the Louisiana Territory and the western U.S.

ANSWER: <u>Lewis and Clark</u> Expedition (accept <u>Corps of Discovery</u> until mentioned)

7. Along with Vermont, California, and Hawaii, this is one of four states to have at one point been an independent nation. Significant battles that occurred in this state include the Battle of San Jacinto, and a siege at a mission where Davy Crockett died. For the point, name this state, the site of the Alamo in its city of San Antonio

ANSWER: Texas

8. Baron Hausmann oversaw a set of renovations in this city, which was the site of a massacre at Père-Lachaise [PAIR luh-SHAYS] Cemetery in 1871. The Prussian siege of this city began a day after the capture of the nearby city of Versailles. A namesake socialist commune operated in, for the point, what capital city that was the target of the Marne Offensive at the start of World War I in France?

ANSWER: Paris

9. While planning this event, its perpetrators referred to it as Operation Z. The America First Committee ceased operations three days after this event, which prompted one side to send a message reading "Tora! Tora!" The day on which this event occurred was referred to as a "date that will live in infamy." For the point, name this 1941 attack that led to the United States' entry into World War II.

ANSWER: attack on **Pearl Harbor** (accept **bombing** or equivalents in place of attack)

10. In this empire, Sardis served as one of the endpoints of a transportation system known as the Royal Road. Nowruz celebrations in this empire were thought to be especially prominent in its city of Persepolis. Also known as the Achaemenid Empire, this empire was established by Cyrus the Great. For the point, name this empire that ruled much of present-day Iran.

ANSWER: First **Persia**n Empire (accept **Achaemenid** Empire before "Achaemenid" is fully read)

11. This man won a Nobel Prize for his efforts in helping end the Russo-Japanese War. This president heroically fought at the Battle of San Juan Hill as the leader of the Rough Riders during the Spanish-American War. Known for his "trust-busting" policies, for the point, name this president whose relative Franklin also became president.

ANSWER: Theodore (or Teddy) **Roosevelt** (prompt on Roosevelt alone)

12. The MiG Alley was a region heavily contested by fighter planes in this conflict. United Nations troops were held beyond the Pusan Perimeter in this war during which General MacArthur was replaced in one post. The 38th Parallel was a key line of contention in, for the point, what 1950's war on an East Asian peninsula?

ANSWER: Korean War

13. In this colony, members of the Conestoga tribe were attacked by a Scots-Irish vigilante group called the Paxton Boys. A delegate from this colony who opposed independence in his Olive Branch Petition was John Dickinson. A man who ran away to this colony and took up apprenticeships with various printers was Benjamin Franklin. Quakers made up a large part of, for the point, what colony containing Philadelphia?

ANSWER: Pennsylvania colony

14. A company based in this country in 1933 that is now considered to have a value above \$1 trillion is Aramco. The Treaty of Jeddah was signed in one of the largest cities in this country, which forbade women from driving until 2017. For the point, name this Middle Eastern country where kings named Fahd and Salman have ruled from its capital at Riyadh.

ANSWER: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

15. An article this man wrote in 1889 encouraging the rich to donate to philanthropy was titled "The Gospel of Wealth." In 1901, this man sold his namesake company for nearly \$500 million to J.P. Morgan. A New York City music hall is named after, for the point, what Scottish-American steel tycoon?

ANSWER: Andrew Carnegie

16. In one work, this man caricatured Urban VIII as an unintelligent Aristotelian named Simplicio. This author of *Dialogue Concerning the Two Chief World Systems* notably refuted a system developed by Tycho [TYKE-oh] Brahe that maintained geocentricism. The *Starry Messenger* was written by this astronomer who names a set of moons revolving around Jupiter. For the point, name this Italian scientist who was forced to retract his views by the Catholic Church.

ANSWER: Galileo Galilei (accept either first or last name)

17. Bull Connor was a notorious city commissioner in this state, where the Stand in the Schoolhouse Door was organized by its Governor George Wallace. Protestors marched from this state's city of Selma to a city where Rosa Parks refused to give up a bus seat. For the point, name this state where civil rights efforts were organized in its capital of Montgomery.

ANSWER: Alabama

18. Woodrow Wilson's wife Edith claimed to be a descendant of this figure who was the daughter of the namesake of the Powhatan Confederacy. While using the name Rebecca, this woman died on a visit to England with her husband John Rolfe, who was a tobacco planter in the Virginia colony. For the point, name this Native American princess.

ANSWER: Pocahontas (accept Amonute)

19. In a book focusing on resistance efforts in this country, Annemarie attempts to shelter her friend Ellen from capture; that book is Lois Lowry's *Number the Stars*. Christian X was king of this Scandinavian country during its German occupation in World War II. For the point, name this country where Nazis attempted to arrest Jews in Copenhagen.

ANSWER: Denmark

20. Along with her daughter Nabby, this woman joined her husband in Paris, where he was serving as a diplomat to France. This woman famously told her husband to "remember the ladies" while he was at the Continental Congress. This descendant of the Quincy family succeeded Martha Washington in her most notable post. For the point, name this wife of the second president.

ANSWER: Abigail Adams (accept Abigail Smith; prompt on partial answers)

21. Jamukha was a blood brother of this man, who employed the military strategist Subotai. Ogedei was designated to be the successor of this man whose grandson was notably visited by Marco Polo. That grandson was named Kublai. For the point, name this original leader of the Mongol Empire.

ANSWER: Genghis Khan (accept Temujin)

22. During the Battle of Bladensburg, this man's wife saved a portrait of George Washington from the burning White House. For his role in drafting the Bill of Rights, this man is sometimes nicknamed the "Father of the Constitution." For the point, name this Virginian who became the fourth president of the United States.

ANSWER: James Madison

23. Hani Hanjour was one of the main perpetrators of this event. The Dow Jones fell a record 684 points on the day of this event, which was mainly planned by Khalid Sheikh Mohammed. Rudy Giuliani was praised for his handling of this event, which led to the construction of the Flight 93 National Memorial. For the point, name this series of attacks that saw planes crash into the World Trade Center.

ANSWER: attacks on **September 11**, 2001 (or **9/11**)

24. This man's fleet was commanded by Agrippa at a naval battle that led to the decisive defeat of his rival. This victor at the Battle of Actium was, along with Lepidus and Mark Antony, a member of the Second Triumvirate, and this man was the reigning emperor during the birth of Jesus Christ. The Pax Romana began under, for the point, what first Roman Emperor?

ANSWER: Caesar <u>Augustus</u> (accept <u>Augustus Caesar</u>, accept <u>Octavius</u>, accept <u>Octavian</u>, prompt on "Caesar" alone)

25. This country has for decades controlled Easter Island. This country was the site of a mining disaster in 2010, which saw 33 miners get trapped under its Atacama Desert for two months before they were all saved. For the point, Sebastian Piñera and Michelle Bachelet [BASH-uh-lay] have recently led what skinny South American country?

ANSWER: Chile

EXTRA QUESTIONS

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26. This man founded the Tolstoy Farm community close to Johannesburg. This author of *The Story of My Experiments With Truth* often went by the nickname Bapu. The Dandi March was led by this man to protest the heavy taxation of salt by the British. This man was known for wearing a simple form of clothing called the *dhoti* and practicing the *satyagraha* form of peaceful resistance. For the point, name this pacifist Indian leader.

ANSWER: Mahatma or Mohandas Gandhi (prompt on partial answer)

27. Following a wound he received at this battle, Daniel Sickles was forced to have his leg amputated. Joshua Chamberlain prominently defended Little Round Top at this battle. George Meade commanded the winning Union forces at this 1863 battle, during which a failed charge was led by George Pickett. For the point, name this Pennsylvania battle that was considered the turning point of the Civil War.

ANSWER: Battle of Gettysburg