

# 2018-2019 National History Bee Regional Finals – Set 1

# Final Round – Middle School Division

1. This man's country faced occupation by France, Spain and England after he suspended payments of international debts for two years. This man was succeeded as leader of his country by the jurist Sebastian Lerdo de Tejada. The War of the Reform was faced by this Liberal Party president who took back power from Emperor Maximilian. Born in Oaxaca (pr. wuh-HAH-kuh), for the point, name this first entirely indigenous president of Mexico.

#### ANSWER: Benito Juarez

2. James Craik was the only physician present at the exact time of this event that occurred on December 14, 1799. This event prompted Henry Lee to claim that this event's central figure was "First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen." At the time of its occurrence, the central figure was 67 years old and living on his Mount Vernon plantation. For the point, name this event that brought an end to the life of the first president.

ANSWER: <u>death</u> of George <u>Washington</u> (accept obvious equivalents in place of death that do not involve killing/assassination)

3. This war began with Operation Badr, in which one country's forces attacked another's along the Bar Lev Line. This war saw two countries attempt to regain land they had lost six years prior during the Six Day War. The crossing of the Suez Canal began this conflict, which pitted Egypt and Syria against Israel. For the point, name this 1973 conflict in the Middle East that is often named after the Jewish Day of Atonement.

# ANSWER: Yom Kippur War

4. October 18 is a state holiday that acknowledges the anniversary of this event's occurrence on that day in 1867. Eduard Stoeckl helped negotiate this agreement in which the Russian Empire was given \$7.2 million dollars. Sometimes referred to as Seward's Folly, this event saw over 580,000 square miles added to the United States' territory. For the point, name this event through which control of the northwesternmost portion of the North American continent was transferred to the USA.

ANSWER: <u>purchase</u> of <u>Alaska</u> (accept <u>Seward's Folly</u> before "Seward"; accept equivalents for purchase; do not accept answers indicating statehood)

5. This man claimed that he could not "calculate... the madness of the people" in reference to his failed investments in the South Sea Company. From 1703 to 1727, this man served as president of the Royal Society. Independently of Gottfried Leibniz, this author of *Opticks* and the *Principia Mathematica* is considered to have invented calculus. For the point, name this British physicist known for his three laws of motion.

#### ANSWER: Isaac Newton

6. This state was home to presidents Rutherford B. Hayes and James Garfield, and aside from Virginia has sent more presidents to the White House than any other. This state was represented in the US Senate by the first American to orbit the earth, John Glenn. This Midwestern state contested a strip of land with its northern neighbor at the western end of Lake Erie in the Toledo War, and the Wright Brothers owned a bicycle shop in its city of Dayton. For the point, name this state recently led by Governor John Kasich from Columbus.

#### ANSWER: Ohio

7. This piece of art was originally housed in a namesake cathedral whose bishop Odo was depicted rallying troops in it. This 70 meter-long artwork features a picture of Halley's Comet and includes characters like Harold Godwinson. One scene in this work shows the troops of William the Conqueror being rallied at the Battle of Hastings. For the point, name this long piece of cloth that depicts the Norman Conquest of England.

# ANSWER: Bayeux Tapestry

8. This agreement resulted in an annual 5% easing of restrictions on the output of maquiladoras. In one election, Ross Perot claimed that this agreement would create a "giant sucking sound going south" since employers in one country could "pay a dollar an hour for labor." Signed into law in 1994, for the point, name trade agreement signed between the United States, Canada and Mexico.

## ANSWER: NAFTA (accept North American Free Trade Agreement)

9. The first ten books of another historian's *Ab Urbe Condita* were the subject of this man's *Discourses on Livy*. In his most famous work, this man claims that a man must have the qualities of both a lion and a fox. In that 1513 work, this man claims that Cesare Borgia was a lucky example of the title figure who possessed adequate "virtue." For the point, name this Renaissance-era Italian diplomat who wrote *The Prince*.

# ANSWER: Niccolo Machiavelli

10. A conflict in this state gave rise to the Supreme Court case of *Cooper v. Aaron*. Virgil Blossom was fired as a Superintendent of Schools in this state that was governed by Orval Faubus in the 1950s and 1960s. In this state, the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division protected nine African-American students who attended Central High School. For the point, name this state that was home to the Little Rock Nine.

#### **ANSWER: Arkansas**

11. Due to emigration from the Hebrides Islands and the Highlands region, this Canadian province is home to the highest number of Gaelic speakers in Canada. A style of fiddle-playing developed in this province's Cape Breton Island, and this province's capital has become the most populous city in the Maritime Provinces. For the point, name this province, where during World War I, a large explosion took place in its capital of Halifax.

#### **ANSWER: Nova Scotia**

12. James McEntee became the leader of this program after the death of its initial director, Robert Fechner. Aldo Leopold was a supervisor of erosion control as part of this program that employed over 3 million men. A wage of \$30 a month was paid to participants in this program who planted a combined total of over 3 billion trees. For the point, name this New Deal program that put men to work in natural parks and other outdoor environments.

# ANSWER: Civilian Conservation Corps (or CCC)

13. This scandal which implicated Oliver North saw the sitting president sidestep the limitations of the Boland Amendment. Sitting Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger helped provide Hawk missiles as part of this scandal. The proceeds from the central activities in this scandal were used to fund a group in Nicaragua. For the point, name this Reagan-era scandal involving weapons being sold to an embargoed Middle Eastern country.

#### ANSWER: Iran-Contra Affair

14. This man was brought into the employ of John Slaney after being kidnapped by Captain Thomas Hunt. A member of the Pawtuxet tribe, this man engaged in his most famous effort beginning in 1620. Born with the name Tisquantum, this man was rescued by Miles Standish after being kidnapped on an intelligence mission ordered by William Bradford. For the point, name this Native American who helped teach the Plymouth colonists how to farm.

#### ANSWER: Squanto (accept Tisquantum before mentioned)

15. This song refers to "tyrants" and "traitors" as "The shame of all parties." In his 1812 Overture, Pyotr Tchaikovsky quotes this song to represent an invasion. In a famous scene in the movie Casablanca, people singing this song drown out those signing the German song, "Watch on the Rhine." This song got its name from volunteers from the title city on the Mediterranean Sea who marched on Paris. For the point, name this national anthem of France.

#### ANSWER: "La Marseillaise" (prompt on "French National Anthem" before mention)

16. This chief justice presided over a court case that ruled that Georgia could not repeal a law that allowed for the sales of Yazoo land grants, *Fletcher v. Peck*. The "Necessary and Proper" Clause was established by *McCullough v. Maryland* as part of this man's court. The doctrine of judicial review was upheld in this man's opinion to the case *Marbury v. Madison*. For the point, name this longest-serving chief justice.

#### ANSWER: John Marshall

17. Jean-Baptiste Tavernier claimed that a "black" counterpart to this structure was built opposite to it across the Yamuna River. This structure was described as a "tear on the face of eternity" by Rabindranath Tagore. Shah Jahan ordered the construction of this building in order to house the remains of his wife Mumtaz. Found in Agra, for the point, name this white mausoleum built in Mughal India.

## ANSWER: Taj Mahal

18. Horemheb was appointed "lord of the land" by this man who was the son of an individual known as the Younger Lady. The original name of this figure translates to "Living Image of Aten." Lord Carnarvon funded an effort by Howard Carter in the Valley of the Kings that resulted in the excavation of the remains of this emperor. Beginning his reign at the age of nine, for ten points, name this boy Pharaoh whose tomb was found in Egypt.

## ANSWER: King **Tut**ankhamun (accept King **Tut**ankhaten)

19. The central character of this poem tells a friend the circumstances under which to "Hang a lantern aloft in the belfry-arch." This poem begins with a call for children to hear about the title event that occurred "On the eighteenth of April, in Seventy-Five," This poem was written by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. For the point, name this poem about a Boston silversmith's attempts to warn colonists of the oncoming British troops.

#### ANSWER: "Paul Revere's Ride"

20. This current world leader is the third leader of his country's Mount Paektu Bloodline. A controversial rendition of "Happy Birthday" was sung to this leader by his alleged friend Dennis Rodman. This man became the first leader of his country to hold talks with a sitting American president when he attended a summit in Singapore where he discussed nuclear weapons with Donald Trump. For the point, name this current Supreme Leader of North Korea.

# ANSWER: **Kim Jong-Un** (prompt on "Kim" alone)

21. Alan Greenspan claimed that this act "kept our standard of living lower than would otherwise have been possible." This 1890 act was sponsored by a senator from Ohio who also sponsored a silver purchase act in the same year. This act was applied to American Tobacco Company and was used to break up Standard Oil. For the point, name this congressional act that prevented the creation of monopolies.

#### ANSWER: Sherman Antitrust Act (prompt on "Sherman Act")

22. Following the Sharpeville Massacre, this man worked with Joe Slovo and Walter Sisulu to found a militant organization known as the Spear of the Nation. F.W. de Klerk ordered the release of this man from a 27-year prison term that included a stay in Robben Island. This man served as president of the African National Congress, in which capacity he campaigned against apartheid. For the point, name this leader of South Africa.

#### ANSWER: Nelson Mandela

23. A physician named Carl Weiss shot this man who called for limits on annual income to be set at \$1 million as part of his Share Our Wealth campaign. Father Charles Coughlin was a major supporter of this governor who was inspired by a phrase used by William Jennings Bryan to develop the campaign slogan "Every Man a King." For the point, name this populist governor of Louisiana during the early 1930's.

# ANSWER: Huey Long

24. This prime minister ran an anti-poverty campaign marked by the words "Garibi Hatao." This ruler ordered a military operation to remove extremist leaders from the Golden Temple in Operation Blue Star. A series of 1984 riots occurred in response to the assassination of this leader by two Sikh bodyguards. The Emergency was a period of unrest during the tenure of, for the point, what only woman to serve as Prime Minister of India?

## ANSWER: Indira Gandhi (prompt on "Gandhi")

25. John Sugden wrote about the last stand of this man, who was supposedly killed by Martin Van Buren's future vice president, Richard Johnson. Along with his brother Tenskwatawa, this man founded a major multitribal settlement in Indiana known as Prophetstown. This man's namesake confederacy was largely destroyed at the Battle of the Thames. For the point, name this Native American leader of the Shawnee tribe during the War of 1812.

#### **ANSWER: Tecumseh**

26. This dynasty was founded following Xiang Yu's splitting of its predecessor into the Eighteen Kingdoms. The former peasant Liu Bang was the first ruler of this empire that dealt with Daoist rebels in the Yellow Turban Rebellion. Emperor Wu made Confucianism the official ideology of this empire that rose after the collapse of the Qin. For the point, name this dynasty that shares its name with China's main ethnic group.

#### ANSWER: Han Dynasty

27. The Ten Days' Campaign was a failed attempt to put down this country's 1830 independence revolution. A king of this country had Henry Morton Stanley help with the establishment of the Congo Free State. Leopold II ruled this country that saw a late 1800s language shift in its capital from Dutch to French. Wallonia and Flanders have been historic divisions of, for the point, what European nation governed from Brussels?

#### ANSWER: Kingdom of **Belgium**

28. After a building with the same function was destroyed in the Nika revolt, construction on this building began under the oversight of Isidore of Miletus and Anthemius of Tralles. Following an Ottoman invasion of its home city in 1453, Mehmed the Conqueror had this building turned into a mosque. Constructed under Byzantine Emperor Justinian, for the point, name this religious building which is now a museum in Istanbul.

# ANSWER: Hagia Sophia

29. This president's government passed a law outlawing yellow-dog contracts co-sponsored by George Norris and Fiorello LaGuardia. The protectionist policies of the Smoot-Hawley Tariff lowered foreign trade during the presidency of this man. Anacostia was among the slum-like "villes" named after this one-term president. For the point, name this president who governed during the beginning of the Great Depression.

#### ANSWER: Herbert Hoover

30. The leader of this event organized a rally to bolster morale for it in the city of Blue Island. Grover Cleveland's government decided to bring in federal troops to deal with this event on the grounds that U.S. Mail services were being disrupted. Clarence Darrow defended the eventually imprisoned leader of the ARU during this strike. Eugene Debs organized, for the point, what 1894 strike against a company that produced railroad cars?

ANSWER: Pullman Strike

## BACKUP QUESTION (FOR TIEBREAKERS, USE TIEBREAKER SHEET!)

31. Franz Halder claimed that this man admitted to having been the instigator of the Reichstag fire. The Gestapo was created by this man who was a winner of the Blue Max. This man was the final commander of Fighter Wing 1, which was the unit in which Manfred van Richtofen, or the Red Baron, fought in. Sentenced to death during the Nuremberg Trials, for the point, name this leader of the Luftwaffe in Nazi Germany.

ANSWER: Hermann Wilhelm Goering