

(MS) History Bee Round 1

Regulation Tossups

(1) On trial for their roles in this event, tycoons Edward L. Doheny and Harry Ford Sinclair were acquitted, but Sinclair served time for jury tampering. The investigation of this event led to the incarceration of Secretary of the Interior Albert Bacon Fall. For the point, name this political scandal involving oil lease kickbacks that damaged the reputation of the administration of President Warren. G. Harding.

ANSWER: **Teapot Dome** scandal

(2) Following major destruction in the Onin War, people in this city helped launch the Nishijin [[nee-shee-JEEN]] weaving district. The official tombs of Emperor Shijō [[shee-JOH]] and other emperors are located at this city's Sennyū-ji [[sen-yoo-JEE]]. The imperial court moved in 794 from Nara to this city, which housed the Temple of the Golden Pavilion. Edo became the capital after, for the point, what other city in the Kansai region?

ANSWER: **Kyoto** City (or **Kyoto**-shi)

(3) By the middle of the 1800s, this Native American nation dominated the Great Plains by trading with and raiding other Native peoples as well as Mexican and U.S. settlements. Texas cited this nation's predations to justify secession. This nation suffered a significant defeat at the hands of Texas Rangers at the Battle of Little Robe Creek. For the point, name this people, which kidnapped Cynthia Ann Parker and made a war leader of her son, Quanah.

ANSWER: **Comanche** Nation (or **Comanches**)

(4) This man created a station in the U.S. to allow Theodore Roosevelt to contact King Edward VII [[the Seventh]] of the United Kingdom. Posthumously, this inventor's patents were declared "questionable" by the U.S., and this man's descendants could not declare copyright infringement against Nikola Tesla or others. For the point, name this Italian Nobel Prize winner who is often credited with inventing radio communication.

ANSWER: Guglielmo **Marconi** (or Guglielmo Giovanni Maria **Marconi**; or 1st Marquis of **Marconi**)

(5) This prime minister was still working on a novel titled *Falconet* at the time of his death. After returning from the Congress of Berlin, this prime minister said, "Lord Salisbury and I have brought you back peace—but a peace I hope with honour." This man bestowed the title "Empress of India" to Queen Victoria under the Royal Titles Act. Preceded and succeeded by William Gladstone, this is, for the point, what Conservative politician, the only British Prime Minister of Jewish descent?

ANSWER: Benjamin **Disraeli** (or 1st Earl of **Beaconsfield**)

(6) A practice from this holiday is the origin of the term "scapegoat." Before entering a synagogue on this day, worshippers recite the *Kol Nidre* [[kohl NEE-dreh]] prayer. Tradition holds that this observance was first kept after the children of Israel repented for their idolatry following Moses's return from Mount Sinai. For the point, name this holiest Jewish holiday, also known as the Day of Atonement.

ANSWER: **Yom Kippur** (accept **Day of Atonement** before mentioned)

(7) According to legend, this city was saved from droughts by gods riding on multi-colored goats, which gives this city its nickname of "City of Five Goats." This city is home to the solid granite Sacred Heart Cathedral, founded in the aftermath of the Opium Wars. Located along the Pearl River, for the point, what is this largest city in southern China, formerly known in the west as "Canton"?

ANSWER: **Guangzhou** (accept **Canton** before mentioned)

(8) In this year, Stephen Breyer was confirmed as a U.S. Supreme Court Justice. During this year, the Irish Republican Army announced a "complete cessation of military operations," creating a cease-fire in the Northern Ireland conflict. In this year, the Channel Tunnel, known as the "Chunnel," opened to connect France and England. For the point, name this year which marked the Rwandan Genocide as well as the election of President Nelson Mandela.

ANSWER: **1994**

(9) This leader, alongside Napoleon III, was the target of an assassination attempt at the Exposition Universelle. This ruler approved Dmitry Milyutin's plans for the Circassian Genocide. This monarch promoted self-government through the *zemstvo* system. This emperor was assassinated in a bombing organized by the People's Will party. For the point, name this Russian emperor who emancipated the serfs.

ANSWER: **Alexander II** (accept **Alexander the Liberator**)

(10) Depictions of this figure show him wearing the Atef crown topped with two ostrich plumes and holding his hands to his chest while grasping a crook and flail. After this deity was lured into a sarcophagus, his wife found his body inside a tree at Byblos. This green-skinned god was murdered by his brother, Set. For the point, name this husband of Isis, the Egyptian god of the dead.

ANSWER: **Osiris** (or **Asar**; or **Usire**)

(11) This country's town of Lumaco was the epicenter of the strongest earthquake ever recorded, the Valdivia earthquake. An island administered by this country is known as Rapa Nui in the language of its natives. This country was led through a military dictatorship by Augusto Pinochet. For the point, name this South American country.

ANSWER: Republic of **Chile** (or República de **Chile**)

(12) In the "Armor of God" passage, this figure is equated to a sword wielded by believers. At Pentecost, this figure appeared above the Apostles in the form of flames and caused them to speak in tongues. Due to that event, Pentecostalism requires a "Baptism of" this part of the Christian God. For the point, name this being, which makes up the Trinity along with Jesus and the Father.

ANSWER: **Holy Spirit** (or **Holy Ghost**; prompt on "God;" prompt on "Spirit")

(13) Sir Thomas Gates commanded George Yeardley to prevent settlers of this city from setting fire to evacuated structures. Opechancanough [[oh-puh-CHAN-uh-koh]] opposed the expansion of this city whose "Third Supply" mission was delayed by the wreck of the *Sea Venture*. This city, which experienced a "starving time," cultivated tobacco under the leadership of John Rolfe. For the point, name this English city, founded in Virginia in 1607 which fought the Powhatans.

ANSWER: **Jamestown** (accept **Jamestown** Settlement)

(14) Following this man's death, George Monck marched on London and restored the Long Parliament. This man's son, Richard, was named as his successor but was forced to resign. This man's body was exhumed and subjected to a posthumous execution on the twelfth anniversary of the execution of Charles I. For the point, what man served as Lord Protector of England following the English Civil War?

ANSWER: Oliver **Cromwell**

(15) In a Homeric hymn, this location received its name from a god who arrived on the backs of dolphins. This location was considered the center of the world, because it houses the Omphalos [[ohm-FAH-lohss]] stone. This location on Mt. Parnassus was once home to a holy woman who gave prophecies while seated on a golden tripod. The home of the Python that harassed Artemis's mother, Leto, for the point, what is this site, the location of the Oracle of Apollo?

ANSWER: **Delphi** (accept **Pytho** until "Python" then prompt; accept Oracle of **Delphi**)

(16) A key figure in the movement for colonial independence in Boston, this man was elected the first governor of Massachusetts. This man served as the president of the Continental Congress in 1776 and so was the first to sign the Declaration of Independence. For the point, name this Founding Father whose oversized scrawl on that document has since led to his name becoming synonymous with "signature."

ANSWER: John **Hancock**

(17) In October 2017, this African nation was the first to leave the International Criminal Court. One month later, the International Criminal Court conducted an investigation into human rights violations in this country, the smallest to border Lake Tanganyika [[tahn-gahn-YEE-kah]]. For the point, name this East African country that changed its capital city from Bujumbura [[boo-joom-BOO-rah]] to Gitega [[gee-TEH-gah]] in 2019.

ANSWER: Republic of **Burundi** (or Republique du **Burundi**; or Republika y'u **Burundi**)

(18) Following Ragnarok, Magni and Modi are given possession of this object. This object is used to revive a pair of goats with names meaning "tooth grinder" and "tooth gnasher." This object's owner cross-dressed as Freya to attend a wedding and retrieved this object from Thrym. This object was made with a shortened handle after Loki turned into a gadfly and bit the dwarves Eitri and Brokkr. For the point, name this mythological hammer used by Thor.

ANSWER: **Mjöltnir** [[MYUHL-neer]] (be lenient on pronunciation)

(19) This text describes the Jaredites in the Book of Ether [[EE-ther]] and narrates a conflict between the Nephites and the Lamanites, two groups who occupied the Americas according to this book. This book was allegedly revealed by the angel Moroni [[muh-ROH-nye]] who presented it on a pair of golden plates. For the point, name this text discovered by Joseph Smith, the holy book of the Latter Day Saints.

ANSWER: Book of **Mormon** (or *The Book of **Mormon**: An Account Written by the Hand of Mormon upon Plates Taken from the Plates of Nephi*; accept Book of **Ether** before mentioned)

(20) Resulting from the treaty of San Stefano, this country was recognized as an autonomous region of the Ottoman Empire in 1878. In 1908, this country gained independence, and Ferdinand of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha became Tzar of this country. For the point, name this losing country of the Second Balkan War with its capital at Sofia.

ANSWER: Republic of **Bulgaria** (or Republika **Bulgaria**)

(21) Rachel Wall, the last woman to be hanged in Massachusetts, was likely the first woman in America with this profession. After encountering Lawrence Kearny, a person with this profession named Charles Gibbs fled with his men to the jungle. A Frenchman with this profession was granted a pardon for helping win the Battle of New Orleans. Samuel Burgess assisted a Scottish captain with this profession named William Kidd. For the point, name this occupation of Jean Lafitte [[lah-FEET]] and Blackbeard.

ANSWER: **Pirate** (accept **Privateer**; accept **Corsair**; accept **Buccaneer**)

(22) This president worked with Senator Harry Byrd to get Senate approval of the Tax Reduction Act. Men like Henry Cabot Lodge and Dean Acheson [[ATCH-eh-sun]] took part in a group of this man's advisors known as the "Wise Men." This president also passed the Economic Opportunity Act, which created Volunteers in Service to America, a counterpart to his predecessor's Peace Corps. For the point, name this president whose goal was to create a "Great Society."

ANSWER: **Lyndon Baines Johnson** (accept **LBJ**; prompt on "Johnson")

(23) To commemorate an anniversary of this event, Philip the Arab held the bloody Secular Games. The clash of the Curiatii [[koo-ree-AH-shee-"eye"]] and Horatii [[hoh-RAH-shee-"eye"]] first appeared in a set of books titled for this event by Livy, his *Ab Urbe Condita*. An account of this event states that one figure dug a trench over which Remus was killed. For the point, name this event, which may have occurred in 753 BC, establishing an ancient Italy city.

ANSWER: **Founding of Rome** (accept reasonable equivalents; accept *Ab Urbe Condita* before mentioned)

(24) In this country in 2004, Hurricane Frances and Hurricane Jeanne decimated the chain of islands called Bimini. Fifteen years later, Hurricane Dorian caused significant damage to this nation's Abaco Islands and the northernmost island in this nation, the name of which includes the word "Grand." For the point, name this Caribbean Commonwealth country governed from Nassau.

ANSWER: Commonwealth of the **Bahamas**

(25) In one story, these creatures were born after Ixion [[ik-SY-un]] mated with the cloud Nephele [[neh-FEH-leh]]. One of these creatures was the son of Philyra [[FIH-luh-ruh]] and Cronus and the tutor of Achilles. Another one of these creatures gave Deianira [[dee-uh-NEE-ruh]] a shirt poisoned with Hydra blood to kill Heracles and was named Nessus. The teacher Chiron [[KYE-run]] was, for the point, what type of mythical creature with the torso of a man and the body of a horse?

ANSWER: **Centaur** (accept Hippo**centaur**)

(26) A car with this name was relaunched by BMW in 2001. A musician with this stage name proclaimed that "School's Out for Summer." An American author with this last name created the characters Natty Bumppo and Chingachgook [[CHING-gahtch-gook]]. A journalist with this last name is the grandson of Gloria Vanderbilt and anchors the CNN news show *360*. For the point, what surname means "barrel maker" and is shared by Alice, James Fenimore, and Anderson?

ANSWER: **Cooper** (accept Alice **Cooper**; accept James Fenimore **Cooper**; accept Anderson Hays **Cooper**)

(27) In this nation's myth, a man whose name means "Lord Millet" became the deity of abundant harvests in the wake of the Gun-Yi Flood. A primordial being in this nation's mythology named Pangu broke free from the "World Egg" creating the universe with assistance from the *Qilin* [[CHEE-LEEN]] and *Nuwa* [[NOO-WAH]]. The semi-mythic Xia [[SHEE-AH]] Dynasty is from, for the point, what nation, the origin of both Daoism and Confucianism?

ANSWER: People's Republic of **China** (or **PRC**; or **Zhongguo**; or **Zhonghua** Renmin Gongheguo)

(28) Garrett M. Graff wrote a definitive narrative history of this event, during which one figure advised Pat Gray to "Stay... out of this" after certain "productive areas" had been breached. An associate director of the FBI named Mark Felt was outed during this event in which an organization called CREEP tampered with a set of phones. The Saturday Night Massacre occurred during this event, which resulted in a 1974 resignation. For the point, name this Nixon-era scandal.

ANSWER: **Watergate** scandal (accept **Watergate: A New History**; accept **Watergate** break-in and similar answers)

(29) After spending four years in this profession, Mary Livermore wrote *My Story of the War*. A member of this profession started an affiliate of an organization founded by Jean-Henri Dunant [[doo-NAHNT]]. That woman in this profession first assisted victims of the Baltimore Riot before working at Antietam and Fredericksburg. For the point, name this profession of Clara Barton, who founded the American Red Cross.

ANSWER: Medical **nurse** (accept word forms such as **Nursing**; do not accept or prompt on "doctor")

(30) This man's personal secretary, Orville Babcock, was implicated in the Whiskey Ring scandal. This president signed the Enforcement Acts to crush the nascent Ku Klux Klan. Following his presidency, Mark Twain offered this man an unprecedented 70-percent royalty for his bestselling *Memoirs*. For the point, name this president who, as a Union general, accepted the surrender of Robert E. Lee.

ANSWER: Ulysses S. **Grant** (accept Hiram Ulysses **Grant**)

Extra Questions

(1) After an incident at the Harvard Inn this man earned his best-known nickname while working for Johnny Yale, and this man was the first person designated “Public Enemy Number One.” This man was opposed by Eliot Ness and The Untouchables and was ultimately brought down for tax evasion rather than for organizing the St. Valentine's Day Massacre. For the point, name this Chicago gangster nicknamed “Scarface.”

ANSWER: Al **Capone** (or Alphonse Gabriel **Capone**; prompt on “Scarface” before mentioned)

(2) Following independence from Portugal in 1975, this country immediately entered a civil war between the MPLA and UNITA. In this nation, the Pro-Soviet MPLA was directly supported by forces from Cuba while the Pro-NATO UNITA was supported by South African forces. For the point, name this Sub-Saharan African OPEC member whose capital city is Luanda.

ANSWER: Republic of **Angola** (or República de **Angola**; accept People's Republic of **Angola**)