

## Round 4 – Middle School

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### Quarter 1

(1) The Long Trail was constructed in this state and runs its entire length ending at the Canadian border in the north. This US state was briefly an independent country from 1777 to 1791, and during the Revolutionary War, the Green Mountain Boys were considered part of the militia from this colony. For ten points, name this New England state, today governed from Montpelier.

ANSWER: **Vermont**

(2) During the early years of this route's existence, ice-breaking ferries like the SS *Angara* provided a linkage over a large lake. This route was used to transport natural rubber from Southeast Asia to Europe, and Kurt Gödel [[**GUR-duhl**]] and Bette Erlich Lowenstein took this transportation line during their escape from Nazi Germany. The Circum-Baikal Railway was once part of, for ten points, what rail line which runs from Vladivostok to Moscow?

ANSWER: **Trans-Siberian** Railway (prompt on "TSR")

(3) A set of policies introduced by this leader led to the Thirty Glorious Years. During the Empty Chair Crisis, this person ordered a withdrawal from the European Economic Community. This leader was targeted by a student uprising in May 1968, during which his eventual successor, Georges Pompidou, negotiated on his behalf. The first president of the Fifth Republic was, for ten points, what leader of France during World War Two?

ANSWER: Charles **de Gaulle**

(4) This economic bloc established its official headquarters in Vienna, although Austria is not one of its members. Former members of this organization include Ecuador, Qatar, and Indonesia, and Brazil was invited to join this cartel in 2019 by Saudi Arabia. For ten points, name this cartel that controls over 80 percent of the world's oil reserves and was responsible for the 1973 oil crisis after the Yom Kippur War.

Answer: **OPEC**

(5) These people's conquests supposedly caused Catholic Bishops to embark west for the fictional continent of Antillia. The Taifa system set up by these people came in the wake of the collapse of the Umayyad Dynasty. These people that originally came from the Maghreb saw their last kingdom, Granada, fall to Ferdinand and Isabella. For ten points, name these Islamic inhabitants of the Iberian Peninsula.

ANSWER: **Moors** [Accept *Spanish Muslims* before the for ten points; Accept *Andalusians*]

(6) Following this event, the Rogers Commission was appointed to investigate its cause. Members of that commission included Chuck Yeager, Neil Armstrong, and Richard Feynman, who demonstrated how defective O-rings caused this event. In an emotional speech about this event, Ronald Reagan referenced the poem “High Flight.” For ten points, what space shuttle disaster claimed the lives of seven astronauts, including Christa McAuliffe?

ANSWER: **Challenger** disaster

(7) In one film from this nation, a man named Lamberto has his bicycle snatched, leading to an all day search. Marcello and the actress Sylvia bathe in the Trevi Fountain in a Neorealist film from this nation. For ten points, name this nation, the setting of the film *La Dolce Vita* by Federico Fellini, which features scenes shot in Rome.

ANSWER: Republic of **Italy**

(8) A song about this movement compares its semi-fictional founder to Robin Hood, saying the founder is “now the Hero of Nottinghamshire.” A group of these people ambushed mill owner William Horsfall. England criminalized one of this political entity’s main tactics via the “Frame Breaking Act” in 1812. For ten points, name this group of specialized textile workers whose name is synonymous with any person resistant to technological change.

ANSWER: **Luddites**

## Quarter 2

(1) In Garfield cartoons from the 1990's, Garfield often threatened to send Nermal the kitten to this city. A campus of New York University, a branch of the Louvre Museum, and the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, were all built in this city. Since 2003, this city has served as the hub of operations for Etihad Airways. For ten points, name this city which once financially bailed out its rival emirate, Dubai.

ANSWER: **Abu Dhabi**

BONUS: An amusement park that was built in Abu Dhabi featuring the world's fastest roller coaster is named after what Italian car manufacturer?

ANSWER: **Ferrari** (accept Ferrari World)

(2). Hunger marches in this era included one by ship workers from Jarrow. Oswald Mosely advocated for greater pensions and control over banks in this period before founding his own Fascist Party. After a mutiny, the gold standard was abandoned by England during this period. For ten points, name this period of economic decline which began after a crash on Wall Street.

ANSWER: Great **Depression**

BONUS: Before the Depression, a welfare state was created by this party in the UK, whose leaders included H. H. Asquith. This party has been displaced by the Labour Party as the primary rival of the Conservatives.

ANSWER: **Liberal** Party

(3) French chemist Hippolyte Mège-Mouriès made the first instance of this food after experimenting with a fatty acid discovered by Michel Eugene Chevreul and named for pearls. Historically, New York and New Jersey forced this food to be colored pink instead of yellow as part of a color ban. For ten points, name this food whose creation stemmed from a challenge set forth by Napoleon III to furnish the military with a butter substitute.

ANSWER: **Margarine** (accept **Oleo**; accept **Oleomargarine**, prompt on "Marge")

BONUS: Chevreul was one of only two living scientists whose names were included among the 72 inscribed on this structure when its construction was completed in 1889.

ANSWER: **Eiffel Tower**

(4) Stockmen and house servants from these people participated in the Wave Hill walk-off. The doctrine of "terra nullius" was replaced with the right of "native title" for these people in *Mabo v. Queensland*. Many of these people hold to The Dreaming, and Uluru is sacred to those known as the Alangu among these people. Torres Strait islanders are generally considered distinct from, for ten points, which people from places like Tasmania and the Outback?

ANSWER: **Aboriginal Australians** (accept answers including **Aborigines** and **Australia**, prompt on "Aborigines" alone, prompt on "Indigenous Australians")

BONUS: In 1873, William Gosse became the first European to site Uluru, and he gave it this English name in honor of the Chief Secretary of South Australia at the time.

ANSWER: **Ayers Rock**

(5) Shortages of this material are noted in German history as the *Holznot*, and Joachim Radkau's history of this material claims that fear of a lack of this material led to modern environmentalism. Huge rafts of this material were sent to the Netherlands for shipbuilding after having been extracted from the Black Forest. For ten points, excessive use of what material in Germany caused deforestation?

ANSWER: **Wood** (accept **Trees**, **Timber**, and other similar answers relating to **wood**)

BONUS: Many trees were felled at the Lüneburg Heath for the extraction of this substance. A former mine for this substance at Wieliczka [[vee-eh-LEECH-kah]], Poland contains St. Kinga's chapel, an underground lake, and statues carved of this material.

ANSWER: **Salt** (accept **NaCl**, or **Sodium Chloride**)

(6) Luther Ely Smith proposed this structure to Mayor Bernard Dickmann, which led to the creation of the non-profit "Jenny May." In 1934, John Cochran and Bennett Champ Clark introduced an appropriation bill to create this structure which is situated near the Old Courthouse where the Dred Scott decision took place. Eero Saarinen designed this stainless steel monument which overlooks the Mississippi River. For ten points, name this St. Louis arch.

ANSWER: **Gateway Arch** (or **Gateway to the West**; accept **St. Louis Arch** before mentioned)

BONUS: Eero Saarinen's father, Gottlieb Eliel Saarinen, was runner up to Walter Burley Griffin in a contest to design this city, Australia's capital.

ANSWER: **Canberra**, Australia

(7) After fighting Godwin of Essex, this man who introduced feudalism to Scotland was killed at the Battle of Lumphanan and was succeeded by Lulach, who was killed by Malcolm III. Raphael Holinshed's works inspired a playwright to tell this man's story which included the Three Witches. For ten points, name this man who is killed by MacDuff in Shakespeare's rendition of the story of this ill-fated king.

ANSWER: **Macbeth**

BONUS: Actors consider saying the name "Macbeth" to be bad luck, originally as theater companies would perform it as a last hope to raise revenue before shutting down. What three words have actors long-used to refer to *Macbeth* instead of saying its name?

ANSWER: **The Scottish Play**

(8) Pallantium settlers name one of these natural features, and the entire population of Alba Longa was resettled in one of these places possibly named for "heaven." One of these natural features contains the Baths of Constantine as well as the presidential Quirinal Palace. The Esquiline, Palatine and Aventine are three of these features. For ten points, what are these raised areas, seven of which are core to the city of Rome?

ANSWER: Seven **Hills** of Rome

BONUS: This hill lies across the Tiber from the seven traditional Roman hills. It is the location of St. Peter's Basilica and gave its name to a country which became independent from Italy in 1929.

ANSWER: **Vatican** Hill (accept **Vatican** City)

### Quarter 3

The categories are:

1. Exploration
2. The Viking Age
3. Bolivia

*Exploration*

Name the.....

(1) Ocean the Jesup Expedition explored off the coast of British Columbia.

ANSWER: **Pacific** Ocean

(2) Expedition across the Louisiana Purchase also called the Corps of Discovery.

ANSWER: **Lewis and Clark** Expedition (accept **Corps of Discovery** if answer before mentioned)

(3) Continent explored by Mungo Park and David Livingston.

ANSWER: **Africa**

(4) Country for which Bartolomeu Dias and Vasco de Gama sailed.

ANSWER: **Portugal**

(5) Continent explored by Robert Falcon Scott and Richard Byrd.

ANSWER: **Antarctica**

(6) Russian peninsula explored by Vitus Bering before coming to North America.

ANSWER: **Kamchatka**

*The Viking Age*

From the Viking Age, name the.....

(1) Northern European region from which the Vikings came, including Norway and Sweden.

ANSWER: **Scandinavia**

(2) Hammer-wielding god who names the day before Friday.

ANSWER: **Thor**

(3) Germanic alphabet that included the Elder and Younger Futhark.

ANSWER: **Runes** (or **Runic** alphabet)

(4) Region Rollo settled in France, where William the Conqueror was duke before being king of England.

ANSWER: **Normandy**

(5) North American coastal area visited by Leif Erikson which is named for its grapes.

ANSWER: **Vinland**

(6) Norse site in Newfoundland re-discovered in 1960.

ANSWER: **L'Anse aux Meadows**

**Bolivia**

Name the.....

(1) Co-capital with Sucre since 1898.

ANSWER: **La Paz**

(2) Bordering Andean nation with which Bolivia united in 1836, angering Chile and Argentina.

ANSWER: **Peru**

(3) War which led to Bolivia losing access to the title ocean.

ANSWER: War of the **Pacific**

(4) Island where Che Guevara was a revolutionary before his death in Bolivia.

ANSWER: **Cuba**

(5) Native language used by the Inca whose southern dialect is spoken by six million Bolivians

ANSWER: **Quechua**

(6) Silver mining hub of Colonial Spain, an Andean city in Central Bolivia.

ANSWER: **Potosí**



#### Quarter 4

(1) **This country's Kek Lok Si Temple in George Town is where 10,000 bronze and alabaster statues of the Buddah were arrayed. The Portuguese established the town of (+) Malacca in this country where piracy has long been a problem between its coast and (\*) Indonesia's.** For ten points, name this country, where the tallest twin towers in the world, named after this country's Petronas oil company, were built in Kuala Lumpur

Answer: Malaysia

(2) **While a POW, this man's cellmate was the author of *Romance of King Arthur*, a Pisan known as Rusticiano. Historians have accused this man of exaggeration in stories such as having accompanied Princess (+) Kokochin to Persia. This Italian was welcomed at the court of Kublai Khan, and later provided Europeans with their first in-depth information about Far (\*) Eastern culture.** For ten points, name this Venetian explorer, namesake of a swimming pool game.

ANSWER: Marco Polo

(3) **The sequel to this film, *Truth to Power*, was released a year after the signing of the 2016 Paris Agreement. MIT atmospheric theorist Richard Lindzen criticized this movie as politically biased. Laurie David invited a previous vice (\*) president to take part in this film, which features ice core data presented in a keynote style. (\*)** For ten points, name this 2006 film featuring Al Gore about global warming.

ANSWER: *An Inconvenient Truth*

(4) **Marietta Alboni often played "breeches roles" in works of this type, whereas Adelina Patti played *coloratura* roles. Leontyne Price, an African-American performer in this genre, was advised to not make her debut in the stereotypical (+) slave role of Aida, instead debuting as Leonora in *Il Trovatore* (\*).** For ten points, name this form of theatre, in which Camilla Williams has performed as Mimi, Bess, and Madama Butterfly.

ANSWER: Opera

(5) **Early Navajo works of this type include the Eye Dazzler and Diamond Twill. Kilim were works of this type created in the Persian empire which featured motifs meant to bring luck and ward off evil. The (+) *kesi* technique of creating these works uses short weft threads to create colorful images visible on (\*) both sides of the finished piece.** For ten points, name this type of weaving, commonly made from wool or silk, which results in detailed images that are often hung on walls.

ANSWER: Tapestry (prompt on "weaving," "woven," "fabric," "textiles," and similar answers)

**(6) This city's Municipal Police clashed with the Met Police after the appointment of Commissioner Charles Devlin. Supporters of actor Edwin Forrest fought fans of William Charles Macready in the (+) Astor Place Riot in this city. In 1863, working-class Irishmen in this city burned down the Colored Orphan Asylum while protesting the (\*) Conscription Act. For ten points, what city endured civil war draft riots along Third Avenue, as well as protests against Tammany Hall?**

ANSWER: **New York** City (accept **NYC**)

**(7) This country's monastery of Vardzia contains a famous portrait of Tamar the Great. Joseph Stalin organized labor strikes in the city of Batumi of this country in 1901, which calls itself "Sakartvelo" in its native tongue. South Ossetia (+) and Abkhazia, both of which have been recognized as sovereign nations by (\*) Russia, have asserted their autonomy from this nation's government. For ten points, name this Caucasian country that like neighboring Armenia, has a predominantly Christian culture and population.**

Answer: **Georgia**

**(8) This body of water has been the subject of proposals to connect it with the Gulf of Aqaba via a canal. Located on the western coast of this sea (+) are the Kibbutz of Ein Gedi and the Qumran Caves, where a famous set of scrolls named after this sea were discovered. (\*) For ten points, name this lake, which has been controlled since the 1940's by Israel.**

ANSWER: **Dead** Sea

**Tiebreaker**

(1) **Ambrose Schilizzi claimed to find this man's mummy in the Nabi Daniel Mosque. A sarcophagus once thought to be that of this man actually belonged to Abdalonymus. Augustus placed a golden diadem on this man, and this man's breastplate was taken by Caligula while (+) Caracalla removed his tunic. While on a funerary cart, this man's body was stolen in Syria by Ptolemy I Soter and brought to Memphis. This man died in (\*) Babylon after a life of conquest during which he won at Issus and reached India. For Ten Points, name this Macedonian conqueror.**

ANSWER: **Alexander** the Great (or **Alexander** III of Macedon)

BONUS: This city's namesake university was established in 1890 in its Hyde Park neighborhood, while older colleges and universities in and around the city include DePaul, in the Lincoln Park neighborhood, and Northwestern, in nearby Evanston.

ANSWER: **Chicago**, Illinois