

+ **AMERICAN HISTORY BOWL:**

Categories: Presidents, War, Inventions, American Revolution, Civil War, Early American History, 20th Century, Famous American Women, Dates, Capitals, Amendments

- 1) Who was the first president of the US? (*George Washington)
- 2) Name the first THREE presidents of the US: (*Washington, Adams, Jefferson)
- 3) Which president served the LONGEST of all? (*Franklin Roosevelt)
- 4) Which president was assassinated (killed) in 1963 (*John F. Kennedy)
- 5) Who was president during World War I? (*Woodrow Wilson)
- 6) Who was president during the American Civil War? (*Abraham Lincoln)
- 7) Under this president, the US doubled in size when it bought the Louisiana Purchase from France. (*Thomas Jefferson)
- 8) This president is called the FATHER OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION: (*James Madison)
- 9) This president was a hero of the Battle of New Orleans in the War of 1812 and is on the \$20 bill. (*Andrew Jackson)
- 10) This president was the commander of all allied and American troops in World War II. Born in Texas, graduated from West Point and five star general. (*Dwight D. Eisenhower.)
- 11) This president was the only one to resign or give up the office of president, due to the Watergate scandal. (*Richard Nixon)
- 12) The official residence (home) of the president is 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. Name this residence: (*White House)
- 13) The president's airplane is called what? (*Air Force One)
- 14) The wife of the president is also called...(*The First Lady)
- 15) The president serves for a term of how many years? (*Four)
- 16) Who is the First Lady of the US right now? (*Laura Bush)
- 17) How many terms can a president serve (*Two terms)
- 18) This president was killed in a theater in Washington (*Abe Lincoln)
- 19) This president was shot and killed in Dallas, Texas: (*John Kennedy)
- 20) This president was shot and killed in Buffalo, New York at the Pan American Exposition: (*McKinley)
- 21) Name the family home of President George Washington: (*Mount Vernon)
- 22) Name the family home of President Thomas Jefferson: (*Monticello)
- 23) This president's wife died while he was in office and he remarried while in office: (*Woodrow Wilson)
- 24) What president is on the 2 dollar bill: (*Thomas Jefferson)
- 25) What president is on the one dollar bill: (*George Washington)
- 26) What president is on the 5 dollar bill: (*Abe Lincoln)
- 27) Who is on the 10 dollar bill: (Alexander Hamilton)
- 28) What president is on the 20 dollar bill: (*Andrew Jackson)
- 29) Who was president when Texas became a state? (*Polk)
- 30) What president is on the 50 dollar bill? (* U. S. Grant)
- 31) What president is on the 500 dollar bill: (*McKinley)
- 32) Who is on the 100 dollar bill: (*Ben Franklin)
- 33) What president is on the 1000 dollar bill (*Grover Cleveland)
- 34) In the War of 1812, the US fought against what country? (*England)
- 35) The Mexican American War was fought to determine the border of what state? (*Texas)
- 36) In the French and Indian War, the French did not really fight that many Indians. They fought another country. Name this country: (*England)
- 37) In the Spanish American War, the United States beat Spain and acquired Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Philippines. Which of these do we still control today? (*Puerto Rico)
- 38) World War I involved the United States because Germany sunk a ship with many Americans on board. Name this famous ship sunk by German submarines called "U" boats: (*Lusitania)
- 39) The US fought in World War II because it was attacked by Japan. Name where the attack took place? (*Pearl Harbor)
- 40) The Texas Revolution gained independence from Mexico in what year? (*1836)
- 41) The Texas Revolution was won at this battle, just east of what is now Houston. General Sam Houston defeated general Santa Ana here. Name the battle: (*San Jacinto)
- 42) The American Civil War ended when Southern General Robert E. Lee surrendered to North General Ulysses S. Grant at this location. Name it. (*Appomattox Courthouse)
- 43) This inventor created the light bulb, the phonograph, and moving pictures: (*Thomas Edison)
- 44) This inventor created the cotton gin, which took seeds from balls of cotton....(*Eli Whitney)
- 45) This group of scientists developed the first atomic bomb: (*The Manhattan Project)
- 46) Alexander Graham Bell is best known for this invention: (*The telephone)
- 47) Name the bell rung in 1776 when the US declared independence from England and then the bell cracked. (*Liberty Bell)
- 48) Marconi is best known for this invention: (*Radio)
- 49) Orville and Wilbur Wright are best known for this invention: (*The airplane)
- 50) Henry Ford developed a new way to build automobiles at his plant in Detroit, Michigan. It sped up production tremendously. Name this invention: (*The assembly line)

- 51) Who wrote the Declaration of Independence? (*Thomas Jefferson)
- 52) Who said, "The British are coming! The British are coming!" at the beginning of the American Revolution before the battles of Lexington and Concord. (*Paul Revere)
- 53) Who said, "Give me liberty, or give me death!" (*Patrick Henry)
- 54) The last battle of the American Revolutionary War was fought in 1781 and won by the Americans. Name that last battle:
- 55) *Yorktown
- 56) The first real battle of the American Revolution took place in 1775 at two towns. Name these TWO towns: (*Lexington and Concord)
- 57) In the American Revolutionary War, the US fought against what country for its independence? (**England)
- 58) The commanding general of the Americans in the American Revolutionary War was...(*George Washington)
- 59) In the American Revolution, how many of the original colonies fought against England? (*13)
- 60) Another name for the English soldiers was...(*Red Coats)
- 61) In the Declaration of Independence, there are THREE rights that cannot be taken away from anyone: Name these rights: (*Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness)
- 62) Who is credited with sewing the first American flag? (*Betsy Ross)
- 63) Another name for the North in the Civil War is: (*The Union)
- 64) Another name for the South in the Civil War is: (*The Confederacy)
- 65) The President of the South in the Civil War was..(*Jefferson Davis)
- 66) The capital city of the North in the Civil War was (*Washington, DC)
- 67) The capital city of the South in the Civil War was (*Richmond, Virginia)
- 68) The MAIN CAUSE of the American Civil War was...(*Slavery)
- 69) The FIRST Battle of the Civil War was at: (*Fort Sumter)
- 70) Abraham Lincoln gave this famous speech after this battle where tens of thousands of American died in a single battle. (*Gettysburg Address)
- 71) The most famous Northern general in the Civil War and later a President of the United States was: (*Ulysses S. Grant)
- 72) Most famous Southern general in the Civil War was: (*Robert E. Lee)
- 73) The song of the South in the Civil War: (*Dixie)
- 74) Song of the North in the Civil War; (*Battle Hymn of the Republic)
- 75) Nickname for the Northern flag in the Civil War: (*Stars and Stripes)
- 76) Nickname for Southern flag in the Civil War: (*Stars and Bars)
- 77) Who won the Civil War? North or South? (*North)
- 78) What was the main result of the Civil War? (*End of slavery)
- 79) Name the country in Europe that first settled Mexico and the American Southwest: (*Spain)
- 80) Name the country in Europe that first settled the area that is now New York City. (*Holland)
- 81) This is first permanent English settlement was in Virginia. Name this settlement: (*Jamestown)
- 82) The Pilgrims landed in Massachusetts in 1620 at this place...(*Plymouth Rock)
- 83) The name of the Pilgrims' ship as they sailed to America was...(*The Mayflower)
- 84) The Puritans settled in 1630 in Massachusetts at...(*Boston)
- 85) The 13 original American colonies were once part of what European country? (*England)
- 86) After World War One, the US had a very prosperous period called (*The Roaring Twenties)
- 87) In 1929, bad times came to the US and many Americans lost their jobs. Name this period: (*The Great Depression)
- 88) The Soviet Union was the first country to get a satellite in space in 1957. Name that satellite: (*Sputnik)
- 89) From 1945 to the 1990's the United States was competing with the Soviet Union. Though these two countries were not fighting, it was like a war. Name this period: (*The Cold War)
- 90) In 1969, the Apollo Space Mission and three American Astronauts did something never done before in the history of the world. It was "One small step for man. And one giant step for mankind." What did they do? (*Land on the moon)
- 91) Name the astronaut who first landed on the moon and said, "One small step for man. One giant step for mankind." (*Neil Armstrong)
- 92) This American found a vaccine in the 1950's that stopped polio, a disease that paralyzes muscles and caused many deaths and caused many people to be confined to wheelchairs. Name him: (*Jonas Salk)
- 93) This woman wrote *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, protesting slavery in the US. (*Harriet Beecher Stowe)
- 94) The woman today is Secretary of State for President Bush (*Condalisa Rice)
- 95) Name the first FIRST LADY of the US: (*Martha Washington)
- 96) This young Indian Woman led Lewis and Clark across the US in the early 1800's. She is now remembered on the dollar coin (*Sacajawea)
- 97) The wife of this president during World War Two served as the first ambassador the United Nations. (*Eleanor Roosevelt)
- 98) The wife of this LIVING American president is now a senator from New York State: (*Hillary Clinton)
- 99) This early settler of the state of Texas is called the "Mother of Texas". Name this woman: (*Jane Long)
- 100) This woman helped start the American Red Cross during the American Civil War. Name this woman: (*CLARA BARTON)
- 101) The First Lady of the United States at this time is: (*Laura Bush)
- 102) Christopher Columbus sailed to America the first time in: Name the year: (*1492)

- 103) The founding of Jamestown, Virginia, by English settlers: Name the year: (*1607)
- 104) The Pilgrims sail to America: Name the year: (*1620)
- 105) The Puritans settle Boston: Name the year: (*1630)
- 106) The 13 original colonies of the US declare independence from England: Name the year: (*1776)
- 107) The US buys the Louisiana Purchase from France: Name the year: (*1804.)
- 108) In what year did the War of 1812 start? (*1812)
- 109) What year did the Civil War start? (*1861)
- 110) Texas wins its independence from Mexico in what year? (*1836)
- 111) What year did World War One start in Europe? (*1914)
- 112) In what year was Pearl Harbor attacked? (*1941)
- 113) In what year was the first atomic bomb exploded? (*1945)
- 114) In what year was the FIRST space flight...(*1957)
- 115) On September 11th, terrorists attacked the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon in Washington. Tell the year of “9/11” (*2001)
- 116) There are two MAJOR political parties in the United States. Name them: (*Democratic Party and the Republican Party)
- 117) The symbol of the Democratic Party is: (*A donkey)
- 118) The symbol of the Republican Party is: (*An elephant)
- 119) This is the highest court in all the United States (*The Supreme Court)
- 120) The Congress of the United States is in two parts: name these two parts: (*The Senate and the House of Representatives)
- 121) The Supreme Court of the United States has “justices” on it. How many “justices” are there? (*Nine)
- 122) How many states are there in the United States? (*50)
- 123) Name the largest state by size of the land: (*Alaska)
- 124) Name the smallest state by size: (*Delaware)
- 125) Name the state with the largest population? (*California)
- 126) Name the state that has the second biggest area and the second biggest population? (*Texas)
- 127) This state’s nickname is the “Lone Star State” (*Texas)
- 128) This is the longest river in the US: (*Mississippi)
- 129) Which river flows through the Grand Canyon to Hoover Dam? (*Colorado River)
- 130) Which short but very wide river separates most of Washington State and Oregon (*Columbia River)
- 131) Which river separates Buffalo New York from Fort Erie, Ontario in Canada and is famous for its falls? (*Niagara River)
- 132) This is a large mountain chain in the western US: (*Rocky Mountains)
- 133) This is a large mountain chain in the eastern US: (*Appalachian Mountains)
- 134) This ocean lies to the east of the United States: (*Atlantic)
- 135) This ocean lies to the west of the United States: (*Pacific)
- 136) What gulf lies to the south of the United States? (*Gulf of Mexico)
- 137) What ocean lies to the north of Alaska? (*Arctic Ocean)
- 138) What sea lies to the east of Alaska? (*The Bering Sea)
- 139) Name Houston’s Professional Baseball team: (*The Astros)
- 140) Name Houston’s Professional Basketball team: (*The Rockets)
- 141) Name Houston’s Professional Soccer team: (*The Dynamos)
- 142) Name Houston’s Professional Football team: (*The Houston Texans)
- 143) Name the championship baseball games played each fall: “The World Series”)
- 144) Name the championship football game played each winter: “The Super Bowl”)
- 145) Name the five Great Lakes: (*Erie, Huron, Michigan, Superior, and Ontario)
- 146) Name the LARGEST Great Lake: (*Superior)
- 147) The Great Lakes were formed by what? (*Glaciers)
- 148) Name the canal that connected New York City and Buffalo, New York and opened up the west: (*Erie Canal)
- 149) Name the national anthem, or song, of the United States: (*The Star Spangled Banner)
- 150) The song “The Star Spangled Banner” was written by whom? (*Francis Scott Key)
- 151) Francis Scott Key wrote the Star Spangled Banner while watching the Battle of : (*Fort McHenry)
- 152) Finish the saying from the Constitution of the United States: We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created---” (*“Equal”)
- 153) Finish this statement by President John Kennedy: “Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what--” (*“you can do for your country.”)
- 154) Name the animal used to move barges on the original Erie Canal: (*the mule)
- 155) An animal that is a symbol of America is: (*The bald eagle)
- 156) Ben Franklin did NOT want the eagle to be the symbol of the US: He wanted what bird? (*The turkey)
- 157) The Statue of Liberty was given to United States to celebrate its 100th birthday. Name the country that gave us this statue: (*France)

- 158) Name the tallest Mountain Peak in the continental United States? (Pike's Peak)
- 159) Name the tallest peak in the entire United States? (Mount McKinley)
- 160) Name the original New England States: (*Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island)
- 161) Name the original Middle Atlantic States: (*New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware)
- 162) Name the original Southern States: (*Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, and Maryland)
- 163) Name the total number of Representatives in the House of Representatives: (435)
- 164) Name the River that separates Texas and Mexico. (*The Rio Grande)
- 165) Name the two biggest rivers that flow into the Mississippi: (*The Ohio and the Missouri)
- 166) Another reason for the American Civil War, besides slavery, was: (*The doctrine of States' Right)
- 167) Name the year and the battle that of the last great German offensive of World War II (*Battle of the Bulge, 1944)
- 168) Name the three top Axis Powers of World War II: (*Japan, Italy, and Germany)
- 169) Name the FIVE permanent member of the United Nations Security Council: (*The United States, Russia, China, England, and France)
- 170) The 3 main leaders of the Allies in World War II are: (*Franklin Roosevelt, Winston Churchill, and Joseph Stalin)
- 171) The leader of Germany during World War II was: (*Adolph Hitler)
- 172) For years, the United States competed for World Superpower with the USSR. What does the USSR stand for? (*Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)
- 173) In what city is the United Nations Building located? (*New York City)
- 174) Approximately how many people are there in the US? (*300 Million)
- 175) Name the city and the state it is in that is sometimes called "The Bayou City": (*Houston, Texas)
- 176) Name the city and the state it is in that is sometimes called "Space City": (*Houston, Texas)
- 177) Name the city, and the state that it is in, that has the Golden Gate Bridge in it? (*San Francisco, California)
- 178) Name the city, and state that is known as: "The Gateway to the West": (*St. Louis, Missouri)
- 179) Name the city, and the state it is in, that is called: "The Windy City" (*Chicago, Illinois)
- 180) Name the City, and the state that it is in, that is known as "The Big Apple"(*New York, New York)
- 181) Name the city and the state it is in that is sometimes called "The Queen City of the Great Lakes": (*Buffalo, New York)
- 182) Name the city, and the state it is in, that is called "Bean Town" (*Boston, Massachusetts)
- 183) Name the city , and the state that it is in, that is called: "The City of Brotherly Love": (*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)
- 184) The motto of the United States is "E Pluribus Unum" What does this mean? (*"From many, one)
- 185) Name three unalienable rights mentioned in the Declaration of Independence? (*Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness)
- 186) The FBI in the nation's federal police. What does the FBI stand for? (*Federal Bureau of Investigation)
- 187) The CIA is the nation's spy service. What does CIA stand for? (*Central Intelligence Agency)
- 188) What does "DC" in Washington, DC stand for? : (* District of Columbia)
- 189) If both the President and the Vice President die at the same time, who takes over as President? (*The Speaker of the House of Representatives)
- 190) Name the first three capitals of the United States in order (*Philadelphia, New York, and Washington, DC)
- 191) November 11 is now celebrated as Veterans Day: It started at the end of World War I as what(*Armistice Day)
- 192) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right to free speech? (*First)
- 193) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right to freedom of religion? (*First)
- 194) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right to petition the government? (*First)
- 195) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right to freedom of the press? (*First)
- 196) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right to a jury trial in a criminal case? (*Sixth)
- 197) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right to not have to testify against yourself? (*Fifth)
- 198) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right house soldiers in your house? (*Third)
- 199) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right to Not have cruel or unusual punishment? (*Eighth)
- 200) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right to own weapons? (*Second)
- 201) What amendment to the US Constitution guarantees the right NO unreasonable search? (*Fourth)
- 202) Name the tax that people pay based on how much money you earn: (*Income tax)
- 203) How old to you have to be to vote in the United States? (*18)
- 204) What is the capital of the state of Alabama? Montgomery
- 205) What is the capital of the state of Alaska? Juneau
- 206) What is the capital of the state of Arizona? Phoenix
- 207) What is the capital of the state of Arkansas? Little Rock
- 208) What is the capital of the state of California? Sacramento
- 209) What is the capital of the state of Colorado? Denver
- 210) What is the capital of the state of Connecticut? Hartford
- 211) What is the capital of the state of Delaware? Dover
- 212) What is the capital of the state of Florida? Tallahassee
- 213) What is the capital of the state of Georgia? Atlanta

- 214) What is the capital of the state of Hawaii? Honolulu
- 215) What is the capital of the state of Idaho? Boise
- 216) What is the capital of the state of Illinois? Springfield
- 217) What is the capital of the state of Indiana? Indianapolis
- 218) What is the capital of the state of Iowa? Des Moines
- 219) What is the capital of the state of Kansas? Topeka
- 220) What is the capital of the state of Louisiana? Baton Rouge
- 221) What is the capital of the state of Kentucky? Frankfort
- 222) What is the capital of the state of Maine? Augusta
- 223) What is the capital of the state of Maryland? Annapolis
- 224) What is the capital of the state of Massachusetts? Boston
- 225) What is the capital of the state of Michigan? Lansing
- 226) What is the capital of the state of Minnesota? St. Paul
- 227) What is the capital of the state of Mississippi? Jackson
- 228) What is the capital of the state of Missouri? Jefferson City
- 229) What is the capital of the state of Montana? Helena
- 230) What is the capital of the state of Nebraska? Lincoln
- 231) What is the capital of the state of Nevada? Carson City
- 232) What is the capital of the state of New Hampshire? Concord
- 233) What is the capital of the state of New Jersey? Trenton
- 234) What is the capital of the state of New Mexico? Santa Fe
- 235) What is the capital of the state of New York? Albany
- 236) What is the capital of the state of North Carolina? Raleigh
- 237) What is the capital of the state of North Dakota? Bismarck
- 238) What is the capital of the state of Ohio? Columbus
- 239) What is the capital of the state of Oklahoma? Oklahoma City
- 240) What is the capital of the state of Oregon? Salem
- 241) What is the capital of the state of Pennsylvania? Harrisburg
- 242) What is the capital of the state of Rhode Island? Providence
- 243) What is the capital of the state of South Carolina? Columbia
- 244) What is the capital of the state of South Dakota? Pierre
- 245) What is the capital of the state of Tennessee? Nashville
- 246) What is the capital of the state of Texas? Austin
- 247) What is the capital of the state of Utah? Salt lake City
- 248) What is the capital of the state of Vermont? Montpelier
- 249) What is the capital of the state of Virginia? Richmond
- 250) What is the capital of the state of Washington? Olympia
- 251) What is the capital of the state of West Virginia? Charleston
- 252) What is the capital of the state of Wisconsin? Madison
- 253) What is the capital of the state of Wyoming? Cheyenne
- 254) What is the capital of Puerto Rico (*San Juan)
- 255) What is the official language of the United States?: (*There is NO official language)
- 256) Who is the “King of Rock and Roll?” (*Elvis Presley)
- 257) Name the *FIVE* parts to America’s armed services: (*Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard)
- 258) The original families who settled Texas were called: (*The Old 300)
- 259) Who is the “Father of Texas”: (*Stephen F. Austin)
- 260) Who was the first president of Texas? (*Sam Houston)
- 261) Which state was once its own kingdom: (*Hawaii)
- 262) “Semper Fi” is the motto of the US Marines....what does Semper Fi mean? (*Always faithful)
- 263) What color are US Air Force uniforms? (*Air Force blue)
- 264) Name the six flags that flew over Texas: (*Spain, France, Mexico, Texas, US, The Confederacy)
- 265) What group of generals and admirals run the US armed forces (*The Joint Chiefs of Staff)
- 266) What is the highest rank ever held by an army officer? (*Five Star General)
- 267) Name the building that houses the US army headquarters” (*The Pentagon)
- 268) This place in Kentucky holds most of the gold in the United States: (*Fort Knox)
- 269) This Spanish explorer is credited with “discovering America”: (*Christopher Columbus)
- 270) This Spanish explorer is credited with being the first European to see the Pacific Ocean from America: (*Balboa)
- 271) This Spanish Explorer wandered around America’s southwest looking for the 7 cities of gold (*Coronado)
- 272) This group of Europeans probably came to America 500 years before Columbus (*The Vikings)
- 273) Name the region that contains states like: Alabama, Mississippi and Florida (*The South)
- 274) Name the region that contains states like: New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, (*The Middle Atlantic States)
- 275) Name the region that contains states like: Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona (*The Southwest)

- 276) Name the region that contains states like: Ohio, Illinois, and Michigan (*The Great Lake States)
- 277) Name the region that contains states like: Iowa, Kansas, and South Dakota (*The Mid West)
- 278) Name the region that contains states like: Colorado, Wyoming, and Montana (*The Mountain States)
- 279) Name the region that contains states like: California, Oregon, and Washington (*The Pacific States)
- 280) What American company from Atlanta, Georgia, is the world's largest soft drink company? (*Coca Cola)
- 281) What American company is the world's second largest car manufacturer? (*General Motors)
- 282) What American company is the world's largest aluminum manufacturer? (*Alcoa)
- 283) What American company is the world's largest oil producer? (*Exxon)
- 284) The initials in the company name IBM stand for what? (*International Business Machines)
- 285) The initials in the TV company name NBC stand for what? (*National Broadcasting Company)
- 286) The initials in the TV company name ABC stand for what? (*American Broadcasting Company)
- 287) The initials in the TV company name CBS stand for what? (*Columbia Broadcasting System)
- 288) The initials in the TV company name CNN stand for what? (*Cable Network News)
- 289) The initials in the company name AT&T stand for what? (*Atlantic Telephone and Telegraph)
- 290) The company that makes most of the software that runs computers today: (*Microsoft)
- 291) The name of the National Museum in Washington DC is called : (*The Smithsonian Institute)
- 292) Name the longest running cartoon series in world history: (*The Simpsons)
- 293) Name the month and day of the terrorist attacks on New York and the Pentagon: (*September 11)
- 294) Name the man the United States holds responsible for the September 11 attacks (*Osama Bin Ladin)
- 295) Name the hurricane that destroyed most of New Orleans: (*Katrina)
- 296) Name the year of the hurricane that destroyed the city of Galveston, Texas: (*1900)
- 297) Which American is the richest man in the US and the world? (*Bill Gates)
- 298) What is: "The land of the free and the home of the brave?" (*The United States)