

Bowl Round 2 – MIDDLE SCHOOL

First Quarter

(1) This country has been historically led by members of the House of Al Thani. After the closure of BBC's Arabic language television services, an emir in this country made a loan to found the moderate news channel Al-Jazeera. Set to host the 2022 World Cup, for ten points, name this small Arab country with capital at Doha.

ANSWER: **Qatar** (Al-Jazeera and more)

(2) One of these conflicts effectively ended with the capture of the Taku Forts. A letter that said, "Let us ask, where is your conscience?" was sent to the victorious monarch of these wars. One of these wars began when officials boarded and searched the Arrow. In the first of the Unequal Treaties, Hong Kong was ceded to the winner of these wars as part of the Treaty of Nanking. For ten points, name these 19th century wars in China over a British poppy export.

ANSWER: **Opium** War(s)

(3) In a story set in this country, Rasheed is angered when his wife Miriam asks what a communist is at the start of a revolution against Daoud Khan. This setting of A Thousand Splendid Suns serves as Amir's home in one novel before he was forced to flee from a Soviet invasion. For ten points, name this country where Khaled Hosseini's The Kite Runner is set in Kabul.

ANSWER: **Afghanistan**

(4) Until the death of his half-brother, this man jointly ruled with Ivan V. This man learned shipbuilding in the Netherlands during his "Grand Embassy" tour of Europe. Modernizations under this man included the creation of a new capital on the Neva river. For ten points, identify this "Great" Russian tsar who westernized the country.

ANSWER: **Peter the Great** (or **Peter I**; accept **Peter** alone after "Great" is read)

(5) The Aboriginal activist William Cooper protested this event by giving a petition to a consulate in Melbourne. Herschel Grynszpan's assassination of the diplomat Ernst von Rath sparked this event, which included the burning of hundreds of buildings, including the Fasanenstrasse Synagogue. For ten points, name this 1938 pogrom in Germany whose name translates to "Night of Broken Glass."

ANSWER: **Kristallnacht** (accept **Night of Broken Glass** before mentioned)

(6) Note: Two answers required. These two countries dispute the oil-rich Ambalat islands and earlier disputed the Sipadan and Ligitan islands. Britain launched Operation Claret to intervene in a conflict between these two countries, which begun due to disputes over Sabah and Sarawak. For ten points, name these two countries that fought each other in the Konfrontasi.

ANSWER: **Malaysia** and **Indonesia**

(7) Helen Gandy served as secretary to one leader of this organization and burned his “personal file” after his death. The arrests of Machine Gun Kelly and “Public Enemy Number One” John Dillinger were coordinated by this organization. J. Edgar Hoover was the first director of, for ten points, what American federal law enforcement agency?

ANSWER: **Federal Bureau of Investigation** (Accept **FBI**)

(8) Seyseys, the leader of the Canarsee, led a negotiation for this island. An artillery section built along the southern portion of this island was known as the Battery. Members of the Lenape tribe were supposedly given 60 guilders by Peter Minuit to transfer ownership of this island to the Dutch. For ten points, name this island of New York City that is home to Wall Street.

ANSWER: **Manhattan**

Second Quarter

(1) During this conflict, one side adopted the Three Alls Policy while their opponents attempted to “trade space for time”. The Hundred Regiments offensive took place during this conflict, as did Operation Ichi-Go. Atrocities took place during this conflict when one side’s capital was captured after a three month long battle in the nearby city of Shanghai. For ten points, name this conflict between China and Japan during which the Nanking Massacre took place.

ANSWER: **Second Sino-Japanese** War (Prompt on Sino-Japanese War, Prompt on World War II)

BONUS: The Second Sino-Japanese War began after an incident in 1937 at a bridge outside Beijing named for which European explorer?

Answer: **Marco Polo**

(2) In 1994, Joe Cocker returned for the celebration of the 25th anniversary of this event. The third day of this event started with Jimi Hendrix waking up the crowd to an iconic rendition of “The Star-Spangled Banner.” For ten points, identify this concert that was advertised by a picture of a bird sitting on a hand holding a guitar, a 3-day long countercultural gathering held in New York state in 1969.

ANSWER: **Woodstock** Music & Art Fair

BONUS: This band with Mick Jagger and Keith Richards performed at a notorious concert at Altamont Speedway in the same year as Woodstock, which they missed.

ANSWER: **Rolling Stones**

(3) This figure is usually depicted, as in the ancient Padmanabhaswamy [pahd-mah-nah-bah-swah-me] Temple in Kerala, as holding a lotus flower, a mace, and a conch, with blue skin and four arms. One avatar of this God chased a golden deer and married Sita, and was named Rama. For ten points, name this Hindu Preserver god who makes up the Trimurti along with Brahma and Shiva.

ANSWER: **Vishnu**

BONUS: This avatar of Vishnu is the main speaker of the Bhagavad Gita. A modern sect venerates this avatar with an mantra chanting "Hare [ha-ray] [this figure]."

ANSWER: **Krishna** (accept Hare **Krishna**)

(4) After this city fell to France, Napoleon ordered the destruction of the *Bucentaur*, a ship that was used by this city's leader each Ascension Day to perform the "Marriage of the Sea" ceremony. This city maintained the fortress city of Famagusta on its island colony of Cyprus. A maritime empire in the Adriatic was ruled by, for ten points, what Italian city-state that is famed for its canals?

ANSWER: (The Most Serene Republic of) **Venice**

BONUS: In the original tradition of the Marriage of the Sea ceremony, the holder of this position dropped a ring into the water. The name of this position is related to the English term "duke."

ANSWER: **Doge** of Venice

(5) Alberto Granado and this man were given a raft to sail on the Amazon River after treating lepers. This man journeyed for nine months on a motorcycle across South America. This revolutionary fought in a revolution that deposed Fulgencio Batista after sailing on the Granma. For ten points, name this Argentine Marxist revolutionary who helped Fidel Castro in Cuba.

ANSWER: Ernesto "Che" **Guevara**

BONUS: Che supported Jacobo Arbenz in this Central American country. Like Panama City and Mexico City, this country's capital city shares the name of the country.

ANSWER: **Guatemala** (City)

(6) This thinker formulated a principle of "pre-established harmony" in his Discourse on Metaphysics, and he codified the "principle of sufficient reason" in a 1710 work whose title coined the term "theodicy." The inspiration for Pangloss in Voltaire's *Candide* was, for ten points, what German thinker who concluded that ours is the best of all possible worlds?

ANSWER: Gottfried Wilhelm von **Leibniz**

BONUS: Leibniz's non-philosophical work included the development of this mathematical field contemporaneously with, and independently of, Isaac Newton.

ANSWER: **calculus**

(7) This group of people first stopped at an island where all the males had been murdered, where their leader impregnated Hypsipyle. This group was sent on their quest by the Aeolian king Pelias. The leader of this group married Medea for 10 years before he abandoned her. For ten points, name this group of heroes who were led by Jason on a quest for the Golden Fleece.

ANSWER: **Argonauts**

Bonus: The Golden Fleece was found in the region of Colchis, which largely corresponds to this modern-day country with capital at Tbilisi.

ANSWER: **Georgia**

(8) This structure caused stations on the U6 and U8 to become known as ghost stops. Lucius Clay was appointed as an ambassador after the construction of this structure, and Egon Krenz oversaw its destruction. This structure, which was designed to prevent brain drain, included a heavy military presence at locations like Checkpoint Charlie. For ten points, name this barrier that divided the modern capital of Germany during much of the Cold War.

ANSWER: **Berlin Wall** (accept **Anti-Fascist Protective Wall**)

BONUS: The Berlin Wall was opened in November of this year, one year before Germany was reunified and two years before the Soviet Union officially dissolved.

ANSWER: **1989**

Third Quarter

The categories are ...

1. Song Dynasty
2. Henry VIII
3. Brazil

Song Dynasty

Name the...

(1) Ethnic group which conquered it under the leadership of Kublai Khan.

ANSWER: **Mongols**

(2) Nation it fought against during the Ly-Song War, during which Song forces were halted by general Ly Thuring Kiet near modern day Hanoi.

ANSWER: **Vietnam** or **Dai Viet**

(3) Two distinct periods which the Song Dynasty is divided into.

ANSWER: **Northern** and **Southern** Song

(4) Naval Battle in Guangdong in which it was decisively defeated by the Yuan dynasty.

ANSWER: Battle of **Yamen**

(5) Type of currency which was issued for the first time in world history by the Song government.

ANSWER: **Paper notes** (Accept either word)

(6) Ethnic group which captured Song Emperor Qinzong during the Jingkang incident and founded the Jin dynasty in Northern China.

ANSWER: **Jurchens**

Henry VIII

Name the...

(1) Royal English house to which Henry belonged.

ANSWER: House of **Tudor**

(2) Number of women Henry married during his life.

ANSWER: **six**

(3) First wife of Henry VIII, the daughter of Ferdinand and Isabella.

ANSWER: **Catherine of Aragon** (prompt on Catherine)

(4) Church that Henry founded after the pope would not grant him an annulment to that wife.

ANSWER: **Anglican** Church (or Church of **England**)

(5) Wife who gave birth to Henry's son Edward VI.

ANSWER: Jane **Seymour** (prompt on Jane)(6) Theater in London that burned down during a performance of the play *Henry VIII* in 1613.ANSWER: **Globe** Theatre**Brazil**

Name the...

(1) European country that colonized Brazil, and whose language is Brazil's official language.

ANSWER: **Portugal** (accept **Portuguese**)

(2) Site of the 2016 Summer Olympics, the second largest Brazilian city after Sao Paulo.

ANSWER: **Rio** de Janeiro

(3) Beverage whose industry dominated the 19th century Brazilian economy, often paired with milk in historical studies.

ANSWER: **coffee** (accept **coffee with milk** or **café** com leite)

(4) Country that opposed Brazil, Argentina, and Uruguay in the War of the Triple Alliance.

ANSWER: **Paraguay**

(5) Practice that was abolished in Brazil by the 1888 Golden Law.

ANSWER: **slavery**

(6) City that has grown to have the largest population of any city in South America.

ANSWER: **São Paulo**

Fourth Quarter

(1) **During this conflict, the French navy was destroyed at the Battle of Mers el-Kebir to (+) prevent it from falling into enemy hands. The initial French plan for this conflict involved rushing to the River Dyle to fight alongside (+) Belgium. After an attack through the Ardennes circumvented the (*) Maginot Line in this conflict, French troops were encircled at Dunkirk. For ten points, name this war in which France was conquered by Nazi Germany.**

ANSWER: **World War II**

(2) **This river is home to many of its namesake giant catfish and to the Giant freshwater stingray. Part of this river is known as the Lancang river and it is fed by the “Yunnan component”. (+) Annual fluctuations of this river’s volume cause a unique flow reversal in the Tonle Sap lake. Cities located along this river include (*) Vientiane and Phnom Penh. For ten points, name this large Southeast Asian river that enters the sea in Vietnam.**

ANSWER: **Mekong** River

(3) **This empire made its conquered lands part of the Twelve Doors. In an epic from this empire, a leader wounded an enemy with an arrow with the spur of a rooster. The Kouroukan Fouga constitution and the Gbara assembly were central to this empire, whose founder defeated (+) Sumanguru at the Battle of Kirina. Sundiata Keita founded this empire, which controlled (*) trans-Saharan trade. For ten points, name this empire that devalued gold after its ruler Mansa Musa went on a hajj in 1324.**

ANSWER: **Mali** Empire

(4) **A man born in this city posed a problem about the growth rate of a rabbit population in his book Liber Abaci. A value approximating the Golden Ratio can be found by dividing two successive terms in a sequence named for that man born in this city, (+) Fibonacci. Vincenzo Viviani claims that De Motu’s central idea, that objects of different masses have the same (*) acceleration, was verified by a man’s experiment in this city. For ten points, name this Italian city, where balls were allegedly dropped by Galileo from its namesake leaning tower.**

ANSWER: **Pisa**

(5) **This man narrowly missed being assassinated by a grenade thrown by Lee Bong Chang, and he once authorised the use of toxic gas 375 times during one battle. Gaetano Faillace took a famous photo of (+) Douglas MacArthur and this man, who was forced to reject his divinity via the Humanity Declaration. The Kyujo incident was an attempt to overthrow this man to prevent him from issuing the Jewel Voice Broadcast. (*) For ten points, name this Emperor of Japan during World War II.**

ANSWER: Emperor **Hirohito** (Accept **Showa** Emperor)

(6) **This man is the subject of the novel *Romance of the Three-Jeweled Eunuch*. This man was appointed commander in the city of Nanjing after helping the Yongle Emperor come to power. In 1405 that emperor outfitted this man with (+) 62 large wooden treasure ships to go on the first of his seven most famous missions. (*)** For ten points, name this Ming Dynasty explorer known for his naval voyages.

ANSWER: **Zheng He**

(7) **Though not in Egypt, the Amarna Letters frequently used this civilization's term for ruler, *lugal*. Leaders from four dynasties of Kish are inscribed in a record known as this civilization's namesake "King List."** (+) An early writing system developed by this civilization used a reed stylus to create (*) "wedge-shaped" forms. For ten points, name this oldest Mesopotamian civilization that developed cuneiform writing.

ANSWER: **Sumerians**

(8) **One of these events that mainly affected Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties in 1989 temporarily cut off coverage of the World Series and began near Loma Prieta Peak. The Mission District burned in a (+) fire that occurred after one of these events that destroyed the original flag used in the Bear Flag Revolt; that event was centered near the (*) Golden Gate.** For ten points, name this type of natural disaster that largely destroyed San Francisco in 1906.

ANSWER: **Earthquakes**

Extra Question - Only read if you need a backup or tiebreaker!

(1) **Nicholas Biddle presided over one of these institutions that was the subject of a namesake "war" regarding its rechartering in the USA. One of these institutions named (+) ICBC was founded in China in 1984 and has become the largest public company in the world. (*)** Another Chinese one of these institutions was named after Hong Kong and Shanghai and is named HSBC. For ten points, name this type of financial institution where money can be deposited.

ANSWER: **banks**

BONUS: The Ayatollah Khomeini was the Supreme Leader of what country when he ordered a fatwa against the author of *The Satanic Verses*, Salman Rushdie?

ANSWER: **Iran**