

National History Bowl European Division – Sample Packet for 2011-2012

FIRST QUARTER (7 European, 2 North American, 1 other)

Scoring: All questions in the first quarter are worth 10 points each. Note that for all questions, students must respond with at least the word or words that are underlined and in bold.

1. The first man to be titled king of this city took the throne in 1100 AD, but he was actually born far away in present-day France. That man, Baldwin the First, was a leader of the First Crusade. For 10 points, name this city, the capital of Israel, and where Palestinians are also seeking to establish their capital in its eastern section.

ANSWER: **Jerusalem**

2. This band recorded the hit album *Achtung Baby* in Berlin just after the Berlin Wall came down. Their song “Sunday, Bloody Sunday” comments on violence in Northern Ireland, while this band was founded in the Republic of Ireland, in 1976. For 10 points, name this band whose lead singer has been active in raising funds for Africa, and who goes by the stage-name Bono.

ANSWER: **U2**

3. This city’s Opera Ball has been one of the premier high society events in Europe since it was first held in 1935. It is home to the Hofburg Palace, the former home of Emperor Franz Josef. For 10 points, name this city, home at various points in time to Beethoven, Mozart, and Freud, the capital of Austria.

ANSWER: **Vienna**

4. This man brutally suppressed the Streltsy Rebellion and founded the naval base at Taganrog after having captured the nearby city of Azov. After a visit to Western Europe, he also imposed a tax on facial hair in an effort to modernize his nation. For 10 points, name this tsar who from 1682 to 1725 ruled Russia.

ANSWER: **Peter the Great** (accept Peter I, prompt on just “Peter”)

5. This woman was actually first married to Arthur, Prince of Wales, but after Arthur died, Henry VII arranged for her to marry a different son to maintain good relations with Spain. Later, that son’s divorce of this woman led to the founding of the Anglican church. For 10 points, name this Spanish woman, the first of Henry VIII’s wives.

ANSWER: **Catherine of Aragon**

6. This years long event was caused largely by the finance policies of Neckar to support involvement in a war against England. Its early stages then led to an invasion that was stopped at the Battle of Valmy. For 10 points, name this watershed event in history that ended with the Directory, the Consulate and the rise of Napoleon.

ANSWER: French Revolution

7. This 843-acre preserve was partially developed by Calvert Vaux (**pr. Voe**) . Its zoo became a permanent fixture in 1871 and crime has declined by 90% here since the 1980's. For 10 points, Frederick Law Olmsted was the primary designer of what first large urban park in the USA, located in Manhattan, in the center of New York City?

ANSWER: Central Park

8. This man's painting entitled "Impression: Sunrise" gave its name to the movement of impressionism. A city dweller for most of his life, he moved to rural Giverny (**pr. zhee-vair-NEE**) in 1883. For 10 points, name this French impressionist who found inspiration there in haystacks and water lilies.

ANSWER: Claude Monet

9. Though Greek was her mother tongue, she learned the language of most of her subjects, the first member of her dynasty to do so. For 10 points, name this woman who died soon after the Battle of Actium, where Octavian had defeated her forces along with those of Mark Antony.

ANSWER: Cleopatra VII

10. During the so-called current wars, this man feuded with Nikola Tesla. He built a movie studio called the Black Maria in Menlo Park, NJ. He also founded General Electric and uttered the famous quote "Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration." For 10 points, name this man who invented the light bulb.

ANSWER: Thomas Edison

SECOND QUARTER (5 European, 1 North American, 2 Other)

Scoring: Both types of questions are worth 10 points. If a team answers the first question of each pair correctly, they receive a chance at the Bonus question. If they incorrectly answer the bonus question, then the other team does NOT also get a chance to answer it.

1. This man commands the fourth largest standing army in the world and has also worked with his archrival to construct the Kaesong Industrial Park. In 2008, he suffered a stroke, and that may have prompted the appointment of his youngest son as heir apparent. For 10 points, name this man, the son of the founder of North Korea known as the “Dear Leader.”

ANSWER: Kim Jong-Il

Bonus: What was the full name of Kim Jong-Il’s father, the “Eternal President” of the country?

ANSWER: Kim Il-Sung (prompt on partial answer)

2. He held command of the HMS *Captain* during the Battle of Cape St. Vincent and he was given command of the Royal Navy in the Mediterranean after his victories at the Nile against the French. Before his most famous victory, he communicated to his sailors “England expects every man shall do his duty.” For 10 points, name this British Lord, who died after winning the Battle of Trafalgar.

ANSWER: Horatio Nelson

Bonus: At the Battle of Trafalgar, Nelson defeated the combined fleets of which two countries?

ANSWER: France and Spain

3. These people fought at the battle of Sekigahara, and one of the last conflicts in which they played a major role was the Satsuma Rebellion. They were known to commit seppuku in order to die with honor, which was a part of the warrior code of Bushido they followed. For 10 points, give the name for these warriors, who filled a social role similar to knights in Western Europe, while serving the nobility of Japan.

ANSWER: Samurai

Bonus: What name was given to Japanese pilots ordered to crash their planes onto ships in World War II?

ANSWER: Kamikaze

4. While usually considered to be politically tranquil, this country has seen the assassinations of Olaf Palme (**pr. PAL-muh**) and Anna Lindh over the past thirty years. While neutral in World War 2, it also supplied much of Nazi Germany’s iron ore. For 10 points name this most populous Scandinavian nation with its capital at Stockholm.

ANSWER: Sweden

Bonus: Due to historical ties, Swedish is also an official language of what neighboring country, most of whose residents speak a non-Indo European language?

ANSWER: Finland

5. After losing a governor's race, this politician said the press wouldn't have him to kick around anymore. During the 1950's he served as Vice President under Eisenhower and he eventually was elected president in 1968 himself. For 10 points, name this American president who resigned the office in 1973 after the Watergate scandal destroyed his reputation.

ANSWER: Richard Milhous Nixon

Bonus: What type of musical work is *Nixon in China* by the American composer, John Adams?

ANSWER: Opera

6. This monarch was raised under the Kensington System and the Bedchamber Crisis arose during this monarch's reign over the Tory politics of Sir Robert Peel. This successor of William IV reigned during the Irish Potato Famine as well as both the Crimean War and the Boer Wars. For 10 points, name this wife of Prince Albert and long-serving 19th century Queen of England.

ANSWER: Queen Victoria

Bonus: Name EITHER of Victoria's two grandsons, who ruled England and Germany respectively in World War I.

ANSWER: George V of England OR Kaiser (or Emperor) Wilhelm II (or William II) of Germany.

7. A movie with this month in its title was made by Sergei Eisenstein in 1927. Nicholas II, with the help of Count Sergei Witte (**pr. VIT-tuh**), issued a Manifesto of this month in 1905. For 10 points, name this month that saw a Revolution in Russia in 1917, and was the eighth month of the Roman Calendar.

ANSWER: October

Bonus: What month saw the revolt of a group of about 3000 Russian Army Officers in 1825?

ANSWER: December

8. It was designed by Iktinos and Kallikrates (**pr. kuh-LICK-ruh-tees**) and it sits near the ancient Erechtheum. A museum has recently been built near it that might one day house the Elgin Marbles, which had originally adorned it. For 10 points, identify this Doric temple to Athena, located on the Acropolis in Athens.

ANSWER: Parthenon

Bonus: What museum is currently home to the Elgin Marbles?

ANSWER: British Museum

THIRD QUARTER (2 European, 1 North American)

Instructions: Teams have 60 seconds to answer the 8 questions in one category. The clock starts with the first word read by the reader. Missed questions will be offered to the opposing team on an untimed basis. The trailing team selects first which of the three categories they would like to hear. If teams are tied, then the team that answered the last tossup question in the second quarter correctly goes first. It is not allowed to go back to questions that a team has passed, although teams can ask the reader to repeat the question that has just been read. Finally, if a team does not finish the questions in time, then only the questions that have been read are turned over to the other team. If part of a question has been read when the time is up, then the team does not get to hear the end of it; i.e. the reader must stop reading when time is up. Then, only the portion of the question that has been read is offered to the other team.

Scoring: 10 points for each correct answer, with a 20 point bonus if a team answers all 8 correctly

Category A: The Roman Empire Category B: The USA in World War 2 Category C: British Authors

Category A: The Roman Empire Answer the following about the Roman Empire

<u>Questions</u>	<u>Answers</u>
1. Which poet wrote The Aeneid during the early years of the empire?	Vergil
2. Which first emperor ruled Rome in the year 1 AD?	Augustus
3. Which Roman Emperor was also a stoic philosopher?	Marcus Aurelius
4. The empire was at its height when what emperor died in AD 117?	Trajan
5. What church father wrote " <i>The City of God</i> " in the last century of the empire?	St. Augustine
6. What arena opened in Rome during the reign of Emperor Titus?	Colosseum
7. The Emperor Commodus thought he was the incarnation of what hero?	Hercules
8. Who wrote <i>The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire</i> ?	Edward Gibbon

Category B: THE USA IN WORLD WAR 2: Answer the following about the USA in World War 2.

<u>Questions</u>	<u>Answers</u>
1. Which attack on December 7, 1941 brought the US into the war?	Pearl Harbor
2. Which four-term U.S. president led the USA in most of the war?	<u>Franklin Delano Roosevelt</u>
3. Which general vowed to return to the Philippines?	Douglas MacArthur
4. Which supreme Allied commander in Europe later became US president?	Dwight David Eisenhower
5. In what country did US forces land at Omaha Beach?	France
6. At what battle did the US sink 4 Japanese aircraft carriers in 1942?	Midway
7. Which cultural icon appeared on a poster with the phrase "We Can Do It!"	Rosie the Riveter
8. In which battle did US forces fight off the last German offensive of the war?	Battle of the <u>Bulge</u>

Category C: British Authors Instructions: Given the famous work, name the British author who wrote it.

<u>Questions</u>	<u>Answers</u>
1. <i>Antony and Cleopatra</i>	William <u>Shakespeare</u>
2. "The Charge of the Light Brigade"	Alfred <u>Tennyson</u>
3. <i>Ivanhoe</i>	Sir Walter <u>Scott</u>
4. <i>Leviathan</i>	Thomas <u>Hobbes</u>
5. <i>A Christmas Carol</i>	Charles <u>Dickens</u>
6. <i>Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban</i>	J.K. <u>Rowling</u>
7. <i>1984</i> and <i>Animal Farm</i>	George <u>Orwell</u>
8. <i>Barrack-Room Ballads</i> and <i>The Jungle Book</i>	Rudyard <u>Kipling</u>

FOURTH QUARTER (5 European, 1 North American, 2 Other)

Scoring: If teams answer correctly during the part of the question that is **both underlined and bolded**, they receive 30 points. If teams answer correctly during the part of the question that is **bolded, but not underlined** they receive 20 points. If they answer during the last sentence of the question, they receive 10 points.

1. **The secret history of his people relates that he was born grasping a blood clot in his hand, a sign that he would become a great leader. While his tomb has never been found, his birthplace was not far from present day Ulan Bataar. As a leader of his people, he raided lands both west of the Urals, and into China, making use of cavalry across the vast steppes.** For 10 points, name this man whose territory became the largest contiguous land empire in history, stretching across northern Eurasia, including his homeland, Mongolia.

ANSWER: **Genghis Khan**

2. **He was mentioned as a martyr by the Venerable Bede, and that was the first mention by an English historian of this man who would become the patron saint of England. His lance is believed to have slayed a dragon, the act for which he is best known.** For 10 points, name this saint whose flag consists of a red cross on a white field, who shares his name with the first name of the 43rd, 41st, and 1st American presidents.

ANSWER: Saint **George**

3. **This building was built in Aquia Creek sandstone, and it was originally designed by Irishman James Hoban. Years later, the Mural Room and Blue Room were added. In the early 1800s, Benjamin Latrobe designed two additional colonnades for this building which was burned by the British in the War of 1812.** For 10 points, name this building, home to the Situation Room and the West Wing, the home of the President of the USA.

ANSWER: **White House**

4. **One member of this family was responsible for sending out men like Johann Tetzel to sell indulgences while serving as Leo X. Another member of this family was the man to whom *The Prince* by Machiavelli was dedicated. Members of this family included, Cosimo the Elder, and the arts patron, Lorenzo the Magnificent.** For 10 points, name this Italian family that ruled for most of three centuries in Florence.

ANSWER: **Medici** family

5. **This empire's invasion of Italy only went as far as Otranto and Apulia before being cancelled. More successful invasions included one culminating in its victory on the field of blackbirds in 1389 at Kosovo. It profited from control of the overland trade routes from Europe to Asia, but lost to the Holy League at the Battle of Lepanto.** For 10 points, name this empire, allied with Germany and Austria-Hungary in World War I which was centered around modern day Turkey.

ANSWER: **Ottoman** Empire (or Osmanic Empire or Osmanian Empire or Ottoman State)

6. **For the first nine years of existence, this nation was a Dominion in the Commonwealth of Nations, ruled by Governor General Muhammad Ali Jinnah, but it became an Islamic republic in 1956. More recently, its Inter-Services-Intelligence directorate has come under fire from Western policymakers.** For 10 points, name this country which tested nuclear weapons in the 1990s along with its neighbor and adversary, India.

ANSWER: Islamic Republic of **Pakistan**

7. **Although she was ethnically English, she was born in Italy, a fact reflected in her name. She was a pioneer in the field of statistics, but is better known for revolutionizing another profession, particularly while working in the present-day Ukraine.** For 10 points name this beloved figure of the Crimean War who in a very productive ninety year life became the mother of modern day nursing.

ANSWER: Florence **Nightingale**

8. **A romantic and revolutionary from his birth in 1807, he participated in the Uruguayan Civil War. He offered his services to the Union Army in the American Civil War, but only on the condition that it declare abolishing slavery as its main objective. He is, however, best known for his efforts leading the Red Shirts in the Second Italian War for Independence.** For 10 points, name this crusader for a united, independent Italy,

ANSWER: Giuseppe **Garibaldi**