

## Bowl Round 6 – MIDDLE SCHOOL

### First Quarter

(1) This country's troops crossed the Alle River in an attempt to defeat Jean Lannes before aid arrived. However, that assault backfired on the Count of Bennigsen, and this country was forced to sign the Treaty of Tilsit. The loser at the Battles of Eylau and Friedland was, for ten points, what country whose refusal to follow the Continental System prompted a French invasion in 1812?

ANSWER: **Russian** Empire

(2) The first railroads in Continental Europe transported this resource from Saint-Etienne. Iron production was greatly increased by substituting wood with a processed form of this resource. The "sea" form of this resource was used in locomotives and is graded between this resource's anthracite and bituminous forms. Coke is a form of, for ten points, what carbon-based rock which fueled the Industrial Revolution?

ANSWER: **coal** (prompt on lignite, prompt on anthracite, bitumen, or coke before mention)

(3) One ruler from this dynasty gave Charlemagne gifts including a clock and an elephant. That ruler was Harun al-Rashid, who may have established the House of Wisdom to house his library. For ten points, name this caliphate whose capital of Baghdad was sacked by the Mongols in 1258, the successors of the Umayyads.

ANSWER: **Abbasid** Caliphate

(4) The earliest examples of this form include Jacopo Peri's *Dafne* and the oldest one still performed, *The Coronation of Poppea* by Claudio Monteverdi. Rival types of this art form in the 18th century included *seria* and *buffa*; examples of the latter include *The Barber of Seville*. A librettist writes the words for, for ten points, what art form that combines theatrical staging and, usually, classical music?

ANSWER: **opera** (prompt on music; prompt on theater)

(5) This religion celebrates a 1966 plane landing at Palisades Airport with its Grounation Day holiday. This religion is divided into denominations like Nyahbinghi called "Mansions" and keeps a diet called Ital [EYE-tall]. For ten points, name this religion which regards Haile Selassie as the second coming of Christ, a Jamaican movement famous for its practitioners' dreadlocks and cannabis use.

ANSWER: **Rastafarianism** (accept word forms, including **Rastafari**)

(6) This man revolted against his father in the failed Praguerie and subsequently fled to Philip the Good's court. After his greatest foe was slain at Nancy, this ruler annexed Picardy. The death of Charles the Bold allowed this man to take control of Burgundy. For ten points, name this French monarch whose diplomatic cunning earned him his nickname.

ANSWER: **Louis XI** (accept **Louis the Prudent** or **Louis** the (Universal) **Spider**; prompt on Louis)

(7) Following the short-lived Qingli reforms, this dynasty introduced the New Policies under reformer Wang Anshi, who was opposed by Sima Guang. After defeating the Liao, the Jurchen Jin Dynasty invaded this dynasty forcing it to move its capital from Kaifeng to Hangzhou. For ten points, name this Chinese dynasty that fell after the invasion of the Yuan under Kublai Khan.

ANSWER: **Song** Dynasty

(8) After a scandal, David Vitter lost his bid to be the governor of this state to a man who is now the only Democratic governor in the Deep South. This state saw a 2005 natural disaster lead to chaos in the Superdome in its largest city, whose portions below sea level flooded, killing hundreds of people. For ten points, name this state named for a French king that has been governed by Kathleen Blanco, who served during Hurricane Katrina.

ANSWER: Louisiana

## Second Quarter

(1) If this country were to unite with its neighbor, the region of Gagauzia would gain right to self-determination. Russia banned importing wines from this country and Georgia in 2006 after this country rejected the Kozak memorandum, which would have created an “asymmetric” state to deal with its breakaway province of Transnistria. Much of Bessarabia is contained in, for ten points, what Eastern European nation along the Dnieper River that chose not to join Romania.

ANSWER: Republic of Moldova

BONUS: A major 1903 pogrom in this largest Moldovan city led Theodor Herzl to propose the Uganda Scheme for Jewish resettlement.

ANSWER: Chisinau (accept Kishinev)

(2) In a depiction by Puck, this man’s company was shown as an octopus grabbing lawmakers and reaching for the White House. Despite his son having ordered the action, this man was criticized for the deadly force brought against protesting coal miners at his Ludlow mine. This man’s corrupt business practices were exposed by muckraker Ida Tarbell, who wrote a history of his company. For ten points, name this richest ever American, the founder of Standard Oil.

ANSWER: John D. Rockefeller

BONUS: Rockefeller helped renovate this European palace, where the boulevard it is next to is now named for him.

ANSWER: Versailles

(3) This island was briefly explored and claimed in 1499 by the Portuguese who named it Terra do Lavrador. This island contains a national park that was expanded in 1988 to its present size of 972,000 square kilometers, making it the world’s largest. This island left the EEC in 1985, the same year it adopted a flag with a red semicircle on a white field on top of a white semicircle on a red field. For ten points, name this island in the North Atlantic Ocean where an independence movement has sought to end its status as a constituent country within the kingdom of Denmark.

ANSWER: Greenland

BONUS: This city, Greenland’s capital and largest city, hosted the 2016 Arctic Games and was formerly known as Godthab.

ANSWER: Nuuk

(4) A work depicting people from this place should be viewed from right to left and was finished after its painter attempted suicide by overdosing on arsenic. In that piece about this place, each of the major groups acts alongside a blue Buddha-like idol that is meant to represent “the Beyond.” The work *Where Do We Come From? What Are We? Where Are We Going?* was set on, for ten points, what French Polynesian island that was frequented by Paul Gauguin?

ANSWER: **Tahiti** (prompt on French Polynesia before mentioned; prompt on descriptions of Pacific Islands/Oceania before “this island” is read)

BONUS: Due to its shared setting and subjects, Gauguin’s painting *The Spirit of the Dead Watching* was compared to this painting, which caused an uproar at the 1865 Paris Salon. Despite her oppositional gaze, the maid is ignored by the title figure of this work.

ANSWER: **Olympia**

(5) This ruler allegedly threw a group of fettered Jews into the Dead Sea to test its buoyancy after destroying Jericho. This ruler seized power by joining forces with the Syrian governor Mucianus, who encouraged this man to implement his toilet tax. This man met Josephus, whom he would later patronize, while putting down the first Jewish rebellion in AD 66. For ten points, name this first Flavian emperor who ended the Year of the Four Emperors.

ANSWER: **Vespasian**

BONUS: Shortly before his death, Vespasian sent this general to govern Britannia and conquer Wales, which he summarily did. This man’s name means “farmer” in Latin.

ANSWER: Gnaeus Julius **Agricola**

(6) This company was criticized for deciding not to remove footage of the Lac-Mégantic disaster, one of the deadliest train derailments in Canadian history, as stock footage in one of its 2018 films. A company called “Qwikster” was to be spunoff from this company in 2011, but CEO Reed Hastings quickly changed course. Programs like *Narcos* and the American version of *House of Cards* were produced by, for ten points, what streaming service that released *Bird Box* in 2018?

ANSWER: **Netflix**

BONUS: *Narcos* was a three-season drama set in Colombia about this drug kingpin, who was killed in 1993.

ANSWER: Pablo **Escobar**

(7) This man, who donated his entire salary at Paris Saint-Germain to charity in 2013, received the OBE in 2003 from Queen Elizabeth II. This partial owner of the upcoming MLS team Inter Miami CF is married to Victoria Adams, a former Spice Girl. This man’s move to the LA Galaxy spurred American interest in soccer. For ten points, name this English midfielder, well known for his ability to “bend” kicks.

ANSWER: David **Beckham**

BONUS: In 1998, Paris Saint-Germain refused to leave the Parc des Princes in favor of this venue, which was built for the 1998 World Cup. The November 2015 attacks in Paris targeted this building, which was hosting a friendly between Germany and France.

ANSWER: **Stade de France** [stahd day France]

(8) After its deployment in the Crimea, the Gustav rail gun was to be used for the second time in fighting over this city. This city's defenders were resupplied by the Road of Life, where vehicles would travel across a frozen lake east of this besieged city. Army Group North and their Finnish allies retreated after 900 days of fighting in, for ten points, what Soviet city that was besieged from 1941 to 1944?

ANSWER: **Leningrad** (accept **St. Petersburg**)

BONUS: This frozen lake east of Leningrad, the largest lake entirely within Europe, was used as the "Road of Life" during the siege of Leningrad.

ANSWER: Lake **Ladoga**

## Third Quarter

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### American Revolutionary War Battles

Name the battle from the American Revolution where...

(1) The "Shot Heard Round the World" was fired, just before the Battle of Concord.

ANSWER: Battle of **Lexington** (accept Battle(s) of **Lexington** and Concord)

(2) Someone legendarily said "don't fire until you see the whites of their eyes," fought on Breed's Hill near Boston.

ANSWER: Battle of **Bunker Hill**

(3) The British lost many troops at Freeman's Farm and surrendered after fighting at Bemis Heights.

ANSWER: Battle of **Saratoga**

(4) Washington's troops captured hundreds of Hessians after crossing the Delaware River.

ANSWER: Battle of **Trenton**

(5) Hugh Mercer was killed and Cornwallis was forced to abandon southern New Jersey, fought a week after the capture of the Hessians.

ANSWER: Battle of **Princeton**

(6) Molly Pitcher's legendary heroics and Charles Lee's infamous retreat took place in New Jersey.

ANSWER: Battle of **Monmouth**

### Battle of Actium

Name the...

(1) Egyptian queen whose ships' hasty retreat signaled a turn in the battle.

ANSWER: **Cleopatra** VII Philopator

(2) Losing general at Actium, the Roman lover of that Egyptian queen.

ANSWER: **Marc Antony** (or **Marcus Antonius**)

(3) Winning general who took the title "Princeps" after the battle.

ANSWER: **Octavian** (accept Gaius **Octavius** Thurinus; accept Caesar **Augustus** or **Augustus** Caesar; prompt on "Caesar")

(4) Epic poem by Virgil whose protagonist's shield features a depiction of the battle.

ANSWER: **Aeneid**

(5) City that names the 34 BC "donations" in which Roman and Parthian land was divided up, a key cause of the war.

ANSWER: Donations of **Alexandria**

(6) Modern day country off of which the battle was fought near the Gulf of Corinth.

ANSWER: **Greece**

**Mayans**

Name the...

(1) Technology whose "Long Count" type supposedly predicted the end of the world in 2012.

ANSWER: **calendar**

(2) Prominent Mexican peninsula on which the Mayan civilization was centered.

ANSWER: **Yucatan** Peninsula

(3) Mayan city where the Temple of Kukulcan, a massive step-pyramid, is found.

ANSWER: **Chichen Itza**

(4) Religious action carried out at a sinkhole called the Sacred Cenote to honor the rain god Chaac.

ANSWER: human and/or child **sacrifice**

(5) Country where the Mayan city of Tikal can now be found in

ANSWER: **Guatemala**

(8) Hollywood actor and star of Braveheart who directed the movie Apocalypto which used the Mayan language

ANSWER: Mel **Gibson**

**Fourth Quarter**

(1) **Upon seeing a phenomenon that looked "like an umbrella pine," this man journeyed from Misenum to rescue Rectina and Pomponianus. Although this man remarked that "fortune favors the brave," his corpse was (+) excavated from pumice at Stabiae. Letters to Tactius from this man's nephew detail his death during the eruption of Mount Vesuvius.** (\*) For ten points, name this Roman scientist, the author of Natural History.

ANSWER: **Pliny the Elder** (prompt on Pliny)

(2) **Both members of the winning presidential ticket in this election year had been interested in the philosophy of a mystic named Nicholas Roerich. The winning Vice Presidential candidate in this election year had earlier served as Secretary of Agriculture under the incumbent and succeeded (+) John Nance Garner. Wendell Wilkie lost this election, which broke the tradition of two-term (\*) presidencies.** For ten points, name this election year in which FDR won, just after the start of World War II.

ANSWER: US presidential election of **1940**

(3) **These people defeated their greatest foe at the Gates of Trajan after a successful defense of their capital, Sredets. Ninety nine out of every hundred of these people were blinded after their defeat at the Battle of Kleidion, a sight that caused (+) King Samuel to die of shock. The Byzantine emperor Basil II became known as the "slayer" of, (\*)** for ten points, what nomadic ethnic group who later formed a country with capital Sofia?

ANSWER: **Bulgars** (accept **Bulgarians**)

(4) **This man, who led the reserves at the Battle of Seringapatam in 1799, was opposed by Anthony Pohlmann, who commanded forces for the Maratha ruler Raghuji Bhonsle II, at the Battle of Assaye. During the (+) Peninsular War, this general defeated French forces at the Battle of Salamanca, and this man joined Gebhard von Blucher in a key victory in (\*)** Belgium that led to an emperor being exiled to St. Helena. For ten points, name this British general who won the 1815 Battle of Waterloo over Napoleon.

ANSWER: Arthur **Wellesley**, first Duke of **Wellington** (accept either or both underlined names)

**(5) Rapid City suffered over 3,000 casualties as a result of one of these events in 1972. Clara Barton assisted survivors of one these events in 1889, which prompted a shift in American law from (+) fault-based liability to strict liability. The South Fork Fishing and Hunting club was blamed for one of these events that destroyed (\*) Johnstown. In 1927, heavy rain on the Mississippi caused, for ten points, what type of natural disaster which often involves rushing water?**

ANSWER: **floods**

**(6) A copy of this oration was kept in a “bank vault” under the palace, preventing the leaders of the 15 August (+) coup from finding it before it was smuggled out in a laundry basket. This speech concedes that, despite attempts for “self-preservation,” a joint declaration from (+) China, the United States, and the USSR was accepted, and the speaker and his country (\*) must “[endure] the unendurable.” For ten points, name this speech delivered by Emperor Hirohito, announcing Japan’s surrender in World War II.**

ANSWER: **Jewel Voice** Broadcast (or **Gyokuon-hoso**; prompt on descriptive answers)

**(7) This was the southernmost of two states where a chief named Captain Jack took up positions along Tule Lake during the 1870’s Modoc War. At the same time as the Civil War, a group of this state’s namesake volunteers fought in this state’s (+) Owens Valley Indian War. This state’s native Americans were converted to Catholicism in a series of missions led by Junipero Serra. (\*) For ten points, name this state where the Pomo were killed in the 1850 Bloody Island Massacre after refusing to be forced labor during its gold rush.**

ANSWER: **California**

**(8) A law code of these people, the Liber Iudiciorum, was promulgated by Chindasuinth and later expanded by Recceswinth. A ruler of these people received a fragment of the true cross after he renounced Arianism at the Third Council of (+) Toledo. Defeat to Clovis I at the Battle of Vouille [vwee-YAY] forced these people to leave their capital at Toulouse. These people inadvertently inspired St. Augustine to write *The City of God* after their ruler (\*) Alaric sacked Rome in 410. For ten points, name these Germanic people related to the Ostrogoths.**

ANSWER: **Visigoths** (prompt on just “Goths”, do not accept or prompt on “Ostrogoth”)

**EXTRA QUESTION One leader of this country promoted “Sharization” to move towards religious rule after launching Operation (+) Fair Play to take control in 1978. That leader of this country, Muhammad Zia ul-Haq, was killed in a plane crash near (\*) Bahawalpur and controversially executed his predecessor Zulfikar Ali. For ten points, name this Islamic Republic that has been led by two members of the Bhutto family, including Benazir, who was killed in 2007 in Rawalpindi after leading a government based in Islamabad that took a hostile stance towards neighboring India.**

ANSWER: **Pakistan**

BONUS: What island in the Saronic Gulf names a naval battle where Eurybiades voted against chasing down the losing commander, a year before the Battle of Mycale?

ANSWER: (Battle of) **Salamis**