



2018-2019 National History Bee Regional Finals – Set 1

Round 3 – Middle School Division

1. This state was known as the Cockpit of the Revolution for its many American Revolution battles including one at which future President James Monroe was wounded. Monroe is depicted en route to that battle in this state in a painting by Emmanuel Leutze that shows Washington and his troops crossing an icy river. For the point, name this state, where the Molly Pitcher legend arose after the Battle of Monmouth, and where American troops were victorious over the British and Hessians at the Battles of Princeton and Trenton.

ANSWER: New Jersey

2. This man was nearly forced out of his highest post during the Day of the Dupes. With a nickname meaning “Red Eminence,” this figure served as headmaster of the Sorbonne and established the Académie Française. This man served in his highest post from 1624 to 1642, after which he was succeeded by Cardinal Mazarin. For the point, name this cardinal and chief minister who served Louis XIII.

ANSWER: Cardinal Richelieu (accept Armand Jean du Plessis; accept 1st Duke of Richelieu)

3. After he is approached by a youth asking him how he graduated so fast from King’s College, one character in this work advises another to “talk less” and “smile more.” George Washington calls for a “right hand man” in this work, whose central character repeatedly says, “I’m not throwing away my shot.” Aaron Burr shoots the protagonist at the end of, for the point, what Lin-Manuel Miranda musical?

ANSWER: Hamilton: An American Musical

4. A youth paramilitary organization in this country that used machetes as its main weapons was known as the Interahamwe. One conflict in this country was instigated when a plane carrying President Juvenal Habyarimana was shot down. A major event in this country saw its Hutu-dominated government target its Tutsi minority. For the point, name this African nation that was the location of a 1994 genocide.

ANSWER: Rwanda

5. This program was compared to the act of allowing a neighbor to borrow a garden hose during a fire. This program provided large quantities of Studebaker and Dodge trucks to the Red Army. A total of \$50.1 billion was spent on this program, over \$30 billion of which went to Great Britain. Begun in 1941, for the point, name this American program of providing military supplies to the Allies during World War II.

ANSWER: Lend-Lease Program

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6. This man embellished a conversation between the monarch he served and Count Benedetti, resulting in the Ems Dispatch. In a speech before a Budget Committee, this man claimed that the “great questions of the time” would be solved by “iron and blood”. The doctrine of realpolitik [**ray-AHL-poh-li-teek**] was used by this “Iron Chancellor” who served Kaiser Wilhelm I. For the point, name this nineteenth-century Prussian statesman.

ANSWER: Otto von **Bismarck**

7. The 1997 Asian financial crisis started in this modern-day country, where a group known as the Yellow Shirts led a coup against onetime Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra. The Chakri Dynasty rules over this country that is currently led by the tenth king with the name Rama. The musical *The King and I* is set in this country that was formerly called Siam. For the point, name this country where kings have ruled from Bangkok.

ANSWER: **Thailand**

8. At one battle during this war, a general famously told his subordinate “you may fire when ready Gridley.” Joseph Pulitzer was among the press magnates who instigated this war with the scandal-filled techniques of yellow journalism. The explosion of the *USS Maine* in Havana Harbor helped cause this war that Teddy Roosevelt fought in. For the point, name this 1898 war between the U.S. and a European power.

ANSWER: **Spanish-American** War

9. This nephew of François Gravé Du Pont was wounded in the leg while engaging in a fight accompanied by 300 Huron warriors. This man mapped the St. Lawrence River roughly 60 years after a voyage along it was undertaken by Jacques Cartier. Quebec City was founded by, for the point, what explorer considered the “Father of New France” and the namesake of a large lake between New York and Vermont?

ANSWER: Samuel de **Champlain** (accept Lake **Champlain**)

10. This man created the Black Maria, which was the first film production studio in America. The kinetograph was a small camera-like device that was one of the over 1,000 patents that this man held. This “Wizard of Menlo Park” was a major champion of direct current and opposed the alternate current electricity solution recommended by Nikola Tesla. For the point, name this inventor of the light bulb.

ANSWER: Thomas Alva **Edison**

11. Bill O’Reilly wrote a book focusing on the death of this general. The relief of Bastogne was engineered by this general, who claimed that “Americans love to fight” during a speech he gave to the Third Army. In response to complaints about shell shock, this man infamously slapped two soldiers during the Sicily campaign. For the point, name this flamboyant World War II general nicknamed “Old Blood and Guts.”

ANSWER: George S. **Patton**

12. Protests that called for the closure of this structure came to be known as the Peaceful Revolution. A teenager named Peter Fechter died attempting to cross this structure near a section known as Checkpoint Charlie. Ronald Reagan once asked Mikhail Gorbachev to “tear down” this structure. Finally brought down in 1989, for the point, name this boundary that separated the two halves of Germany’s capital.

ANSWER: **Berlin Wall**

13. A palatial complex known as the Domus Aurea was built under this emperor. This man’s reign came to an end following a revolt by the Gallic governor Vindex that helped bring this man’s successor Galba to power. Seneca tutored this emperor who was in power during a 64 AD natural disaster that was blamed on the Christians. For the point, name this infamous Roman emperor who allegedly fiddled while Rome burned.

ANSWER: **Nero**

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14. A UN buffer zone in this country exists in the largely destroyed city of Quneitra. The Alawite sect of Islam dominates the government of this country. In 2017, control over this country's city of Raqqa was wrestled away from ISIS. The FSA is a major faction in an ongoing conflict in this country led by Bashar al-Assad. For the point, name this country whose civil war continues to affect cities like Aleppo and Damascus.

ANSWER: Syria

15. This man claimed that violence against loyalists born in a certain country was justified in his Decree of War to the Death. This man's forces won the Battles of Carabobo and Boyaca, the later of which was part of his New Granada campaign. Jose de San Martin met with this general at the Guayaquil Conference. For the point, name this "Liberator" who helped several South American countries achieve independence.

ANSWER: Simon **Bolivar**

16. Roughly sixth months before the issuing of this document, its author read a preliminary version to Gideon Welles and William Seward. Victory at the Battle of Antietam prompted the eventual issuing of this document on New Years Day in 1863. For the point, name this executive order signed by Lincoln that freed African-American slaves in areas controlled by the confederacy.

ANSWER: Emancipation Proclamation

17. In the first of the four of these events, one participant used a powdered solution called Lazy Shave to cover his five o'clock shadow. 70 million people watched the first of these events, the perceived outcome of which differed based on whether it was heard on radio or seen on television. Occurring as part of the 1960 presidential campaign, for the point, name this series of presidential debates.

ANSWER: Nixon-Kennedy debates (accept **1960** Presidential Election debates before mentioned; accept obvious equivalents including mentions of Richard Milhous Nixon and John Fitzgerald Kennedy)

18. In 1386, a diplomatic alliance was established between this country and England by the terms of the Treaty of Windsor. The Houses of Aviz and Braganza ruled this country that experienced much maritime expansion thanks to Henry the Navigator. The first ocean route from Europe to Asia was established after this country's explorer Vasco da Gama reached India. For the point, name this Iberian country with capital at Lisbon.

ANSWER: Portugal

19. In a song about this conflict, John Fogerty repeatedly claims "it ain't me" before saying that he isn't the title "Fortunate Son." In "Born in the U.S.A.," Bruce Springsteen references this war when he says he "had a brother at Khe Sanh." Multiple songs titled "Agent Orange" dealt with this war. Musicians often protested the draft during, for the point, what war of the 1960s that took place in an Asian country?

ANSWER: Vietnam War

20. Giorgio Vasari wrote that this man "displayed infinite grace" and "cultivated his genius so brilliantly." This man's patron, Francis I, claimed to have held this man in his arms as he died. Among the "dream machines" that this man designed was a pre-modern parachute. Born in the Republic of Florence in 1452, for the point, name this "Renaissance Man" and artist who painted the *Mona Lisa*.

ANSWER: Leonardo **da Vinci** (prompt on "Leonardo")

21. Two days before this document was signed, a similar document known as the Lee Resolution was passed by the same body. One of the truths listed as "self-evident" in this document is the notion that "all men are created equal". The Library of Congress holds the official copy of this document that Thomas Jefferson wrote. Signed on July 4th, 1776, for the point, name this founding American document.

ANSWER: Declaration of Independence

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22. While inspecting her troops in Tilbury, this figure gave a speech claiming that she had “the heart and stomach of a king.” This woman’s spymaster Francis Walsingham uncovered the Babington Plot, which sought to replace this figure with her Catholic cousin Mary, Queen of Scots. This Tudor queen notably never married. For the point, name this queen who was a patron for William Shakespeare.

ANSWER: **Elizabeth I** of England (prompt on “Elizabeth” alone)

23. This country was the site of the Kappel Wars during the Reformation. Famous figures from this country during the Reformation included Huldrych Zwingli and John Calvin, who turned its largest French-speaking city into a theocracy. This country is divided into canton, and it has traditionally pursued a policy of neutrality. For the point, name this Alpine country where bankers have gotten rich for centuries in cities such as Zurich.

ANSWER: **Switzerland**

24. This man first obtained a Congressional seat after incumbent David McIntosh opted to run for governor. This man once controversially said that he would only have a meal with another woman if his wife were present. In 2013, this man succeeded Mitch Daniels to become the 50th governor of Indiana. Four years later, he succeeded Joe Biden in his current post. For the point, name this current Vice President of the United States.

ANSWER: Mike **Pence**

25. In this city, Jeff Widener took a photograph of an “Unknown Rebel” standing in front of a tank during one protest. The June Fourth Movement organized a series of protests in this city that resulted in a summit in which Mikhail Gorbachev was invited from a neighboring country. In 1989, a series of student demonstrations occurred in this city’s Tiananmen Square. For the point, name this capital city of China.

ANSWER: **Beijing** (or **Peking**)

26. A total of 14 Sed Festivals were held by this leader, who defeated the forces of Hattusili III and his Hittites at the Battle of Kadesh. Three campaigns against Syria were led by this Pharaoh. Greek texts often use the name Ozymandias to refer to this ruler, four statues of whom appear on the outside of the Abu Simbel complex. For the point, name this Pharaoh who appeared in the biblical book of Exodus.

ANSWER: **Ramses the Great** (accept **Ramses II**)

27. Due to its unfavorability to one side, John Maynard Keynes described this agreement as a “Carthaginian peace”. Henry Cabot Lodge led a group of Congressmen who opposed this agreement that was negotiated by the Big Four. The League of Nations was created in response to this agreement, which built on the Fourteen Points of Woodrow Wilson. For the point, name this 1919 treaty ending the First World War.

ANSWER: Treaty of **Versailles**

28. In 323 BC, this city was where Alexander the Great met his death. Etemenanki was a terraced temple in this city that was dedicated to the god Marduk. The Queen Semiramis was the dedicatee of an Ancient Wonder in this city known as the Hanging Gardens. A famous law code was written by this city’s ruler Hammurabi. For the point, name this ancient Mesopotamian city that shares its name with an empire.

ANSWER: **Babylon**

29. In 1856, the Anti-Slavery Society made this Rochester native its agent from New York State. From 1979 to 1981, this figure’s face was printed on the dollar coin. This figure founded a publication called the *Revolution* along with Elizabeth Cady Stanton. This woman received a \$100 fine that was never paid after attempting to vote in the 1872 presidential election. For the point, name this advocate of women’s suffrage.

ANSWER: Susan Brownell **Anthony**

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30. The first edition of this work was known as “The Back House.” This work takes the form of a dialogue between its author and a figure named Kitty. Miep Gies gave this document to the author’s father Otto upon Otto’s return to Amsterdam. This work was published after the death of its author at Bergen-Belsen concentration camp. For the point, name this personal account of a Jewish youth’s experiences during the Holocaust.

ANSWER: Diary of Anne Frank (accept The Diary of a Young Girl)

EXTRA QUESTIONS

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31. In the aftermath of this event, a group of seafood companies that were given a large payout was known as the Seattle Seven. Joseph Hazelwood was the captain of the central vessel in this event that occurred after a Long Beach-bound ship struck Bligh Reef in Prince William Sound. This event was only surpassed by the *Deepwater Horizon* in terms of volume of the amount of oil released. For the point, name this 1989 oil spill and ecological disaster in Alaska.

ANSWER: Exxon Valdez Oil Spill

32. Langdon Cheves once headed this institution that is depicted as a “many-headed monster” in a famous cartoon. The Specie Circular attempted to counteract the policies of this institution whose last president was Nicholas Biddle. This institution’s attempt to renew its charter was vetoed by the sitting president in 1836. For the point, name this American financial institution that Andrew Jackson often fought with.

ANSWER: Second Bank of the United States (prompt on “Bank of the United States”)