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**HIGH SCHOOL BOWL ROUND 4**

**First Quarter**

1. In the nineteenth century, this country experienced the Liberal Triennium. An attempt to enforce the Salic Law in this country sparked the first Carlist War. This country lost nearly all of its overseas colonies during the early nineteenth century following the rise of Jose de San Martin and Miguel Hidalgo. For 10 points, name this country for which Columbus sailed.

ANSWER: **Spain**

2. The major theoretical advance of these people was recalculating the Smeaton coefficient to correct errors made by Otto Lilienthal. These rivals of Samuel Langley worked as publishers of *The West Side News* and as bicycle salesmen before their breakthrough at Kill Devil Hills. For 10 points, identify this pair of Ohio brothers who made the first airplane flight in 1903.  
ANSWER: **Wright** Brothers [Wilbur and Orville **Wright**]

3. During this battle, Strong Vincent was killed at a site where the downhill bayonet charge led by Joshua Chamberlain occurred. This battle, which included the skirmish of Little Round Top, turned on an ill-advised "charge" ordered by Confederate general George Pickett. For 10 points, name this July 1863 clash in Pennsylvania which was the turning point of the Civil War.

ANSWER: Battle of **Gettysburg**

4. A politician controversially claimed that this place is not independent due to "money and ethnic votes." This place was to be recognized as a "distinct society" in a failed 1987 amendment block, the Meech Lake Accord. This place rejected independence by a narrow margin in a 1995 referendum. For 10 points, name this French-speaking Canadian province.

ANSWER: **Quebec**

5. A 2006 contest resulted in two of these animals being given the politically explosive name "reunion." In August 2014, one of these animals was given a first birthday party by the U.S. National Zoo, and another one of these animals, Ai Hin, was caught faking a pregnancy to earn more bamboo. For 10 points, name these endangered Chinese bears.

ANSWER: giant **panda**s

6. This country's Awash Valley is where Donald Johanson found the "Lucy" skeleton. This country lost its coastline in 1991 when a referendum secured independence for Eritrea. For 10 points, name this country which suffered a much-publicized 1980’s famine and is governed from Addis Ababa.

ANSWER: **Ethiopia**

7. This country underwent a religious schism known as the “Raskol” when Patriarch Nikon attempted to change the number of fingers used to make the sign of the cross, leading to the split of the Old Believers. This country is home to the world’s largest Eastern Orthodox population. For 10 points, name this home country of Kirill I, the Patriarch of Moscow.

ANSWER: **Russia**

8. Members of this religion were the driving force behind the Five Pecks of Rice Rebellion and the Yellow Turban Rebellion. This religion was legendarily founded by a nine-hundred-year-old man who was forced to write the *Book of the Way and Its Power* before leaving for the West. For 10 points, name this religion which venerates passivity and is the folk belief of China.

ANSWER: **Daoism** [or **Taoism**]

9. A song of this kind derives its melody from "La Montovana," the same folk song that is the origin of "The Moldau" (**pr. MOLE-dow**), and is called "Hatikvah" (**pr. hah-TEEK-vuh**). Songs of the kind include Jana Gana Mana (**pr. jah-NAH guh-nuh MOO-nuh**) and La Marseillaise (**pr. MAHR-see-YEZ**). For 10 points, identify this type of song, such as "God Save the Queen."

ANSWER: **national anthem**s

10. This man's visit to the Keeling Islands inspired his book *The Structure and Distribution of Coral Reefs*. As part of that same trip with Robert FitzRoy, he noticed that difference finches on the Galapagos Islands occupied different niches. For 10 points, name this man whose time on the *Beagle* inspired him to introduce the theory of evolution by natural selection.

ANSWER: Charles **Darwin**

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**Second Quarter**

1. The U.S. National Archives currently displays David Rubenstein’s copy of this document, which contains clauses that limited the right of women to use the legal system and limited the enforcement of debts against children. This document was signed at Runnymede and failed to quell the Barons Wars. For 10 points, name this limitation of the powers of King John.

ANSWER: **Magna Carta**

BONUS: The Magna Carta turns exactly how many years old in 2015?

ANSWER: **800**

2. This man's victory at the 1040 battle of Elgin allowed him to become King of Alba, displacing Duncan I. In a fictionalized portrayal, this man is killed in battle with an opponent who, having been delivered by Caesarean section, fulfills the prophecy that "no man of woman born" can kill him. For 10 points, name this King of Scotland killed by Macduff in a Shakespeare play.

ANSWER: **Macbeth**

BONUS: In what other Shakespeare play based on history does a queen of Egypt kill herself with an asp following the two title characters' loss at the Battle of Actium?

ANSWER: ***Antony and Cleopatra***

3. This man's co-conspirators included Mary Surratt, who became the first women executed by the U.S. government as a result, and the doctor Samuel Mudd. This man's brother Edwin once saved Robert Lincoln from being crushed by a train. This man interrupted a performance of *Our American Cousin* to shout "Sic semper tyrannis!" For 10 points, name this disgruntled Confederate actor who assassinated Abraham Lincoln.

ANSWER: John Wilkes **Booth**

BONUS: Booth shot Lincoln at what Washington, DC entertainment venue, where plays are still performed?

ANSWER: **Ford’s Theatre**

4. This continent’s language families include Hausa and Khoi San. This continent was explored by Mungo Park and Henry Stanley who went in search of missionary David Livingstone. The Berlin Congress dealt with this continent’s colonization by European nations which Liberia managed to avoid. For 10 points, name this continent, now home to more independent nations than any other.

ANSWER: **Africa**

BONUS: Which African country is the world’s newest nation, after it broke away from its northern neighbor, with whom it still shares part of its name?

ANSWER: **South Sudan**

5. This empire was targeted by the Unilateral Declaration of Independence, which removed a colony from this empire to protest its plans for racial integration. This empire's leader gave the Winds of Change speech as it began to give up control of Ghana, Nigeria, and Rhodesia. For 10 points, name this empire which, along with France, was the largest colonizer of Africa.

ANSWER: **British** Empire [or the **UK**; or the **U**nited **K**ingdom; or Great **Britain**; prompt on **England**]

BONUS: Rhodesia later was renamed as which African country with its capital at the city of Harare (**pr. huh-RAH-ray**)?

ANSWER: **Zimbabwe**

6. This man's lavish spending on Italian art greatly expanded the Royal Collection. This man is depicted with a stable boy, a horse, a walking stick, and red trousers, looking away from the Thames (**pr. TEMZ**), in a portrait of him "at the hunt." For 10 points, name this king whom Anthony van Dyck repeatedly painted prior to his execution in the English Civil War.

ANSWER: **Charles I** of England [prompt on **Charles**]

BONUS: What other court painter made an insultingly realistic portrait of Charles IV of Spain and his family, as well as *The Third of May, 1808*?

ANSWER: Francisco **Goya** [Francisco José de **Goya** y Lucientes]

7. This empire was attacked by Croesus (**pr. CREE-sus**) of Lydia after the Delphic Oracle said that "a great empire will fall." This empire relied on local satraps who were loyal to emperors sitting at Susa. For 10 points, name this empire founded by Cyrus the Great, which launched a namesake series of wars on Greece at the start of the fifth century BC.

ANSWER: **Persia**n Empire [or **Achaemenid** Empire]

BONUS: Which Persian Emperor lost at Issus and Gaugamela, and was the third to hold this name?

ANSWER: **Darius**

8. This man's two weeks fighting in the Confederate-affiliated Marion Rangers inspired his short story "The Private History of a Campaign That Failed." With Charles Dudley Warner, he wrote a novel that gave its name to the post-Civil War period of prosperity in the North, *The Gilded Age*. For 10 points, name this author who created Becky Thatcher, Huck Finn, and Tom Sawyer.

ANSWER: Mark **Twain** [or Samuel Langhorne **Clemens**]

BONUS: Twain's only success as a publisher was with a biography of what victor at Forts Henry and Donelson who led the successful Siege of Vicksburg?

ANSWER: Ulysses Simpson **Grant**

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**Third Quarter**

SOMALIA

The present-day country of Somalia is or was…

1. Colonized by what European power, but handed over to Britain following the fall of Mussolini?

ANSWER: Kingdom of **Italy**

2. Often described as suffering from what status, meaning the lack of government, since 1991?

ANSWER: **anarchy**

3. Founded on the horn of what continent?

ANWER: **Africa**

4. Home to a “courts union” and Al-Shabbab (**pr. shuh-BOB**), which seek to impose what religion?

ANSWER: Sunni **Islam** [or **Muslim**s]

5. Was where intervening troops of what country were killed in 1993?

ANSWER: **US**A or **United States**

6. A frequent base for what kind of international outlaws, who also plague the Strait of Malacca (mah-LAH-kuh)?

ANSWER: **pirate**s [or **piracy**]

7. Home to what capital city, where a 1993 U.S. Army mission went awry?

ANSWER: **Mogadishu**

8. Functionally politically separate from what northern region, which maintains an unrecognized independent government at Hargeisa (**pr. har-GAY-suh**)?

ANSWER: **Somaliland**

**THE CRUSADES**

In the era of the Crusades, who or what was the…

1. Religion whose Crusaders sought to capture Jerusalem from Muslim Turks?

ANSWER: **Christian**ity [or Roman **Catholic**ism]

2. Religious group which was the target of pogroms in the Rhineland from the People's Crusade?

ANSWER: **Jews**

3. King of England who left his brother John in charge while he led the Third Crusade?

ANSWER: **Richard the Lionheart** [or **Richard I**; or **Richard Coeur de Lion**; prompt on **Richard**]

4. Sea which crusaders sailed across to reach the Holy Land

ANSWER: **Mediterranean**

5. Crusade which descended into looting and sacked Constantinople?

ANSWER: **Fourth** Crusade

6. Type of defensive building, such as Krak des Chevaliers (**pr. KRAG doo shoo-vahl-YAY**), often constructed by Crusaders?

ANSWER: **castle**s

7. Pope who called for the First Crusade?

ANSWER: **Urban II** [prompt on **Urban**]

8. Kurdish founder of the Ayyubid (**pr. eye-OO-bid**) Dynasty who was the opponent of the Third Crusade?

ANSWER: **Saladin** [or **Salah al-Din**]

**ANCIENT INDIA**

In classical India, what was the…

1. Nirvana-focused religion founded by Siddhartha Gautama?

ANSWER: **Buddhism** [or **Buddhist**, etc.]

2. Religion that began using the Veda scriptures thousands of years ago?

ANSWER: **Hinduism**

3. Number first articulated in fifth-century India during the invention of decimals?

ANSWER: **zero** [or **shunya**]

4. River at which Indian civilization grew near the city of Varanasi?

ANSWER: **Ganges**

5. Macedonian general who reached the borders of India with his conquests?

ANSWER: **Alexander** the Great

6. Dynasty in power from 322 to 185 BC, including emperor Asoka (**pr. uh-SHOW-kuh**)?

ANSWER: **Mauryan** or **Maurya** dynasty/empire

7. Epic about the king of Ayodha (**pr. eye-OH-duh**) defeating the demon Ravana?

ANSWER: the **Ramayana**

8. Language ancestral to modern Hindi that was used to write ancient texts?

ANSWER: **Sanskrit**

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**Fourth Quarter**

1. **Theodor Adorno said that after the existence of this place, writing poetry is barbaric. This place was built near a massive, forty-four track (+) railway junction and was commanded by Rudolph Hoss. At the main gate of this place, the words "Arbeit Macht Frei" (**pr.ARR-bite mokt FRY**), meaning (\*)** "work makes free," were spelled out in iron. It was adjacent to the Birkenau extermination center. For 10 points, name this most active Nazi death camp, found in Poland.

ANSWER: **Auschwitz**

2. **These people were the target of 1913's Alien Land Law. These people were guaranteed equal access to public schools as part of the (+) "Gentlemen's Agreement" which restricted their further immigration. They were later relocated to facilities such as Manzanar as part of a practice upheld by the (\*)** Supreme Court in the *Korematsu* case. For 10 points, name this ethnic group which was subject to World War II "internment" on the West Coast.  
ANSWER: **Japanese**-Americans

3. **In the third century AD, this building was the home of a red idol with a golden right hand that depicted Hubal. The construction of this building was traditionally attributed to (+) Ibrahim, who journeyed with his son Ishmael to a spot near the Well of Zamzam. This building was cleared of idols near the start of the**  **(\*)** Islamic era and is now the destination of the hajj, or pilgrimage. For 10 points, name this black, square building around which Mecca is built.

ANSWER: the **Kaaba**

4. **A U.S. State Department memo on this initiative said that it was "a flying saucer—nobody knows what it looks like, how big it is, in what direction it is moving, or whether it really exists." Ultimately, this program transferred (+) seventeen billion dollars in cash and goods, and hardened (\*)** Cold War divisions as Soviet client states were forbidden to participate. For 10 points, name this 1947 initiative under which American money was pumped into Western European economies.

ANSWER: **Marshall** Plan

5. **This mountain was besieged by Gaius Claudius Glaber, leading to a daring encircling maneuver in which men encamped on this mountain rappelled down it with vines and surprised the rear of the Roman army. (+) Pliny the Elder later died near this mountain, which overlooked the home of the "Ring Lady" at (\*)** Herculaneum. For 10 points, name this Italian volcano whose 79 AD eruption caused the preservation of Pompeii.

ANSWER: Mount **Vesuvius** (or **Vesuvio**)

6. **In 1988, the U.S.S. *Vincennes* accidentally shot down a passenger plane from this country. Kermit Roosevelt led a CIA action against the prime minister of this country, Operation (+) Ajax, which deposed Mohammad Mossadiq. Jimmy Carter's decision to allow the deposed ruler of this country to seek medical treatment in the U.S. in**  **(\*)**  1979 sparked an incident here. For 10 points, name this country which took fifty-two Americans hostage for over a year.

ANSWER: **Iran**

7. **An event which began on this ship provided the nickname for Molly Brown. Frederick Fleet was unable to avert disaster aboard this ship despite performing adequate lookout duties, and many of its (+) survivors were picked up by the *Carpathia*. Edward J. Smith captained this ship on behalf of the (\*)** White Star Line. For 10 points, name this ship whose attempt to make good time to New York caused it to hit an iceberg and sink in the north Atlantic in April 1912.

ANSWER: *RMS* ***Titanic***

8. **In an 1890 treaty, this empire abandoned its interest in Zanzibar in exchange for an oddly shaped territory that granted it access to the Zambezi River, known as the Caprivi Strip. This empire perpetrated the Herero genocide in what is now** (+) **Namibia. It had to give up what are now Tanzania and Cameroon following its defeat in** (\*) World War I. For 10 points, name this European-based empire, which was originally constructed by Otto von Bismarck.

ANSWER: **German** Empire

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**Tiebreakers/extras ONLY USE IF A BACKUP OR TIEBREAK IS NEEDED!**

This man was able to return to his hometown following negotiations with the tribe of the Quraish (**pr. koo-RYE-eesh)** at the Treaty of Hudaybiyyah (**pr. hoo-dah-BEE-ah**). This man was buried next to an empty tomb which is reserved for the returned Jesus after he died in the home of his wife Aisha (**pr. eye-EE-shuh**). For ten points, name this man who received a "recitation" from the angel Jibril (**pr. jib-REEL**) which became the Quran, and was the founder of Islam.   
ANSWER: **Muhammad**

BONUS: What largest island in the North Atlantic had its capital officially renamed from Godthab to Nuuk (**pr. noo-ook**)?

ANSWER: **Greenland**