**International History Bowl
2014-2015 ALPHA Set – MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**BOWL ROUND 1**

**First Quarter**

1. The Porta Maggiore incorporates two of these structures, including the Anio Novus. One of these things used by the colony of Nemausus is part of the still-standing Pont du Gard. Vitruvius recommended a low gradient for these things, which supplied public baths. For 10 points, name these structures that carried water to Rome.

ANSWER: Roman **aqueduct**s

2. William Gorgas helped manage sanitation for this project, drawing on Walter Reed's research into yellow fever. The Hay-Banau-Varilla treaty cleared the way for this structure, which cuts through Gatún Lake. John McCain was born in its namesake Zone, which the US ceded in 1979. For 10 points, name this Central American waterway linking the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.
ANSWER: **Panama Canal**

3. This person's name was formerly used for the capital of Tajikistan, now known as Dushanbe (**doo-SHAHN-bay**), and for the mountain now called Ismail Samani (**suh-MAH-nee**) Peak, which was called "Communism Peak" after his death. For 10 points, identify this former namesake of Volgograd, where a major World War II battle was fought in the Soviet Union.
ANSWER: Joseph **Stalin** [Iosif Vissarionovich **Stalin**; or Ioseb Besarionis Dze **Jugashvili**]

4. The rock-cut city of Lalibela is in this country, where inscriptions in the Ge'ez language appear on stone stelae in the ancient city of Axum. The coffee plant was first grown in this modern-day country in the African highlands. For 10 points, name this East African country run from Addis Ababa which lost access to the Red Sea when Eritrea seceded.

ANSWER: **Ethiopia** [or '**Ityoppya**]

5. IBM introduced the first consumer model of this device in 1975 under the name "3800." In the 1980s, Apple manufactured a popular line of these devices in the *Writer* series. These devices were invented by Gary Starkweather, who came up with the idea of using an "image drum." For 10 points, name these high-speed, toner-consuming devices for paper output.

ANSWER: **laser printer**s [prompt on partial answer]

6. This man played Presidential candidate Jasper Irving in the Afghan war drama *Lions for Lambs*. In other historical roles, he portrayed Nathan Algren, the protagonist of *The Last Samurai*; and anti-Hitler plotter Claus von Stauffenberg in *Valkyrie*. For the point, name this movie star known for his role in the *Mission Impossible* series and his Scientology beliefs.
ANSWER: Tom **Cruise**

7. This city was the hub of the *nahda* cultural renaissance. In 969, this city became the Fatimids' capital, centuries before former slave soldiers called Mamelukes set up a sultanate here. For 10 points, name this pre-eminent city of Islamic Egypt which is the largest city by population in the Arab world today.

ANSWER: **Cairo**, Egypt [or **al-Qahirah**]

8. Martial law was declared in Spain after an 1893 performance of this opera was bombed by anarchists. This opera's villain is the tyrannical Gesler, an Austrian governor of occupied medieval Switzerland. For 10 points, name this opera by Rossini in which Jemmy is instructed to "Stay completely still" before the title character shoots an apple off of his head.
ANSWER: ***William Tell*** [or ***Guillaume Tell***; or ***Guglielmo Tell***]

**IHBB Alpha 2014-2015
Bowl Round 1
Second Quarter**

1. The Tokyo Two were members of this group arrested for stealing whale meat. This organization was funded by an Irving-Stowe-arranged benefit concert at Amchitka. A ship belonging to this organization named the Rainbow Warrior was bombed by French agents. For 10 points, name this militant environmentalist group known for opposition to genetically modified food.

ANSWER: **Greenpeace**

BONUS: The *Rainbow Warrior* was bombed while docked in which Southern Hemisphere nation, whose residents are often referred to as Kiwis, after the fruit that grows there?
ANSWER: **New Zealand**

2. Oscar Kokoschka depicted Alma Mahler as this kind of person “of the Wind.” A Rembrandt depiction of this kind of person was thought to be a father giving his daughter a necklace. Another example of this type person is shown wearing a green dress and having a dog at her feet. For 10 points, name this type of person who in a Jan van Eyck (**Yon van IKE**) portrait marries Giovanni Arnolfini.

ANSWER: **Bride** [or equivalents, such as **female spouses** or **female marriage partners**; or specific answers, such as *The* ***Jewish Bride***]

BONUS: Van Eyck was from which Dutch-speaking region of Belgium, which shares its name with the last name of an annoying character on the TV show *The Simpsons?*

ANSWER: **Flanders** (accept Ned Flanders)

3. A founder of one of these parties in Italy argued states maintain power through controlling culture in his *Prison Notebooks*. Parties by this name were instructed to join Popular Fronts during the 1930s to oppose fascism. This party is still the dominant political party in Cuba and Vietnam. For 10 points, name these parties promoting the theories of Karl Marx.
ANSWER: **Communist** parties

BONUS: Which country has recently begun to reestablish diplomatic relations with the communist government in Cuba?

ANSWER: **United States** (or US or USA, etc.)

4. This empire built the Qhapaq Ñan by pioneering a forced labor system called *mit'a*. Messengers called chasquis relayed messages along its elaborate road system, which was paved with stone so llamas and alpacas could traverse them. For 10 points, name this South American empire overseen from Cuzco, which built the site of Machu Picchu in the Andes Mountains.

ANSWER: **Inca**n Empire [accept **Tawantinsuyu** before mention]

BONUS: Which Spanish conquistador led the conquest of the Incan Empire?

ANSWER: Francisco **Pizarro**

5. During this war, French forces mutinied en masse following the failure of the Nivelle Offensive. Alexander Samsonov was killed during it when un-coded radio messages helped lead to the defeat of two Russian armies at Tannenberg. Anzac Day celebrates the Australians and New Zealanders who died during this war. For 10 points, name this 1914 to 1918 war.
ANSWER: **World War I** [or the **Great War**]

BONUS: Aside from Austria-Hungary and the Ottoman Empire, which other country in the Southeastern Balkans with capital at Sofia fought with the Central Powers in World War I?

ANSWER: **Bulgaria**

6. This man and his wife made the first English translation of Agricola's Latin text on mining, *De Rerum Metallica*. He often conversed with his wife in Mandarin, and was the leader of Belgian food relief efforts after World War I. For 10 points, name this US President who suffered the start of the Great Depression in his first year in office, and for whom a famous dam is named.
ANSWER: Herbert **Hoover**

BONUS: Hoover was born not far from Des Moines (**duh MOYN**) in which Midwestern state, where Barack Obama’s first presidential run got an important boost in 2008?

ANSWER: **Iowa**

7. This author was to be profiled by C.S. Forester after his career as a fighter pilot ended, but chose to begin his own writing career instead with an autobiographical article. He also wrote the memoir *Going Solo*, and this man’s Norwegian mother named him after the first man to reach the South Pole. For 10 points, name this author of *James and the Giant Peach* and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.*

*ANSWER:* Roald **Dahl**

BONUS: Dahl wrote the screenplays for *You Only Live Twice* and *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*, film adaptations of books by what creator of James Bond?

ANSWER: Ian **Fleming**

8. Karselfini clashed with residents of this place called "Skraelings." An attempted colony in this place was discovered at the L'Anse aux (**LANS-oh**) Meadows site. A son of Eric the Red visited this place and dubbed it "Vinland." For 10 points, name this continent visited by Leif Ericson nearly 500 years before Columbus's voyage.

ANSWER: **North** **America** [or **Vinland** before "Vinland" is read; or more specific answers like **Newfoundland** and **Canada**]

BONUS: Leif Ericson’s father Eric the Red helped settle what island, where the Lawspeaker presided over the Althing parliament?
ANSWER: **Iceland**

**IHBB Alpha 2014-2015
Bowl Round 1 - Third Quarter**

 **Categories are: Roman Emperors, US States in the Civil Rights Movement, & Ancient Egypt**

ROMAN EMPERORS
Which Roman emperor…
1. Was a member of the Second Triumvirate who became the first emperor?
ANSWER: **Augustus** [or **Octavian**; or Gaius **Augustus**; or Gaius Julius Caesar **Octavianus**]
2. Blamed the Christians for the Great Fire of Rome during his reign?
ANSWER: **Nero**
3. Made his horse a Senator and was assassinated by members of the Praetorian Guard?
ANSWER: **Caligula**
4. Had his victory in the Dacian Wars commemorated with a namesake column in Rome?
ANSWER: **Trajan**5. Was the fourth emperor and the namesake of a book by English author Robert Graves?

ANSWER: **Claudius**

6. Legalized Christianity and moved the capital to present day Istanbul?
ANSWER: **Constantine** the Great

US STATES IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT
During the civil rights era, in what U.S. state did...
1. Ruby Bridges integrate schools in New Orleans?
ANSWER: **Lousiana**
2. Jackie Robinson take the field at home for the Brooklyn Dodgers?
ANSWER: **New York**
3. Riots occur in the city of Newark?
ANSWER: **New Jersey**
4. Orval Faubus attempt to block the integration of Central High School in Little Rock?
ANSWER: **Arkansas**
5. The Watts riots occur near downtown Los Angeles?
ANSWER: **California**
6. Bull Connor try to stop integration in Birmingham?
ANSWER: **Alabama**

ANCIENT EGYPT
Ancient Egyptians…
1. lived around what river that flooded yearly?
ANSWER: **Nile** River
2. served what ruler who was revered as divine?
ANSWER: **pharaoh**
3. used what fermented beverage to pay scribes instead of cash?
ANSWER: **beer [**or **ale**]
4. Revered what domestic mammals as sacred to the goddess Bast?
ANSWER: **cat**s
5. Fought the Hittites using what vehicles at the Battle of Kadesh?

ANSWER: **chariot**s
6. Created what tablet used to decipher hieroglyphic writing?
ANSWER: **Rosetta Stone**

**IHBB Alpha 2014-2015
Bowl Round 1 - Fourth Quarter**

1. **After the Scilly Islands disaster in 1707, a prize was created for the person who could create a method for finding this value. Some of that prize money was awarded to John Harrison, whose marine** (+) **chronometer gave sailors an accurate time that could be used to calculate it.** (\*) For 10 points, name this geographic coordinate that identifies East-West position, as opposed to latitude.

ANSWER: **longitude**

2. **These people, who were managed by a *lanista*, participated in the most famous of the *munera*. One of these people led a 73 BC (+) revolt that was put down by Crassus. Types of these people include the *murmillones*, who had fish-shaped crests on their (\*)** helmets, and the *retiarii*, who used nets. For 10 points, name these Romans, including Spartacus, who engaged in public armed combat for entertainment.

ANSWER: **gladiator**s [or **gladiatore**s; prompt on “Roman **slave**s”]

3. **This modern-day country was the birthplace of an order spread by St. Bernard, the Cistercians. After the death of Peter of Castelnau in this country, Innocent III ordered a campaign against the gnostic (\*)** **Cathars of this country, the Albigensian crusade**. (\*) For 10 points, name this Western European country, home to the Cluny Abbey in its Aquitaine region and to the cathedral of Notre Dame in its capital.

ANSWER: **France**

4. **One leader of this nation was given the title of Eternal President. Another leader (+) of this nation was believed to be able to control the weather with his mood and scored 11 holes-in-one the first time he golfed.** (\*) For 10 points, name this nation currently led by the grandson of the founder of the Juche (**JOO-chay**) ideology, Kim Jong-Un.

ANSWER: **North Korea** [or **Democratic People’s Republic of Korea**]

5. **A popular hippie song said to "wear a flower in your hair" when travelling to this city. In 1989, this city (+) was hit by an earthquake while hosting a World Series game in which its team was playing its rivals across the bay from (\*)** Oakland. For 10 points, name this city where historic districts such as The Mission and Haight-Ashbury are located near the Golden Gate Bridge in California.

ANSWER: **San Francisco**

6. **This character is the namesake of a company that published *Super Cops* and *Mighty Crusaders* under the Red Circle imprint, and he often irritates the wealthy Mr. (+) Lodge. In the 1970s, this comic book character was the leader of a fictional band that sang the song (\*)** "Sugar, Sugar." For 10 points, name this red-haired comic book character who hangs out in Riverdale with Jughead, Betty and Veronica.

ANSWER: **Archie** Andrews

7. **Protestors in this country in 2014 often wore the number forty-three painted on their faces, a reminder of the September 2014 abduction of forty-three (+) students at a teachers' college here. Protests targeted this country's president, who represents the PRI and defeated the incumbent PAN in the 2012 election.** (\*) For 10 points, name this country where protestors demanded the resignation of Enrique Peña Nieto (en-REE-kay PEN-yah nee-EY-toe).
ANSWER: **Mexico** [or **United Mexican States**; or **Estados Unidos Mexicanos**]

8. **The Fabian strategy was developed to fight the armies of this city, which won battles at Trebia and Lake Trasimene after one of its commanders crossed the (\*) Alps. Cato the Elder famously ended his speeches by declaring that this city** (\*) “must be destroyed”, or “*delenda est*”. For 10 points, name this city-state whose armies, led by Hamilcar and Hannibal Barca, fought Rome in the Punic Wars.

ANSWER: **Carthage** [or **Carthago**; or **Kart-hadasht**]

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Tiebreakers/extras – ONLY READ IF YOU NEED A BACKUP OR TIEBREAKER!**

**Years after winning the battle of Boyacá, he traveled west to the Guayaquil conference to plan for the future with José de (+)** **San Martin. In 2010, Hugo Chavez claimed to have exhumed this general's bones. (\*)** For 10 points, name this "Liberator" who fought to free Venezuela and Colombia from Spanish rule.

ANSWER: Simón **Bolívar**

BONUS: What empire conquered Egypt under Cambyses and was also led by Xerxes the Great?

ANSWER: **Persia**n Empire