

Bowl Finals – Middle School

First Quarter

(1) An event involving these two countries is the subject of a Quentin Tarantino-produced documentary, *Freedom's Fury*. During that event, one participant saw “about 4,000 stars” after being struck by Valentin Prokopov. Ervin Zador’s face wound nearly led to a riot in Melbourne during a 1956 Olympic water polo match between, for ten points, what two countries, one of which had just had a revolution crushed in Budapest by the other?

ANSWER: **Soviet Union** and **Hungary** (accept in either order; accept **Union of Soviet Socialist Republics** in place of Soviet Union)

(2) An infamous doctrine developed by this man prevented the extradition of terrorists back to Italy. This man signed the Gayssot Act to make denial of the Holocaust illegal. This man controversially ordered Operation Satan, the bombing of the Greenpeace ship Rainbow Warrior in New Zealand waters. This leader’s tenure featured two cohabitations with Edouard Balladur and Jacques Chirac. For ten points, name this first socialist president of France.

ANSWER: Francois **Mitterand**

(3) This house originated after Rene of Chalon died in battle, leaving another ruler to add the title of a French principality to this house. A military strategist from this house won the Battle of Turnhout and was named Maurice. Members of this family did not rule during the First Stadtholderless Period. Wilhelmina from this house technically was the last of its male line and became a symbol of the resistance during WWII. For ten points, name this royal house which names the current Dutch ruling family.

ANSWER: House of **Orange-Nassau**

(4) This man’s brother divided his land between this man and Beorn. After a shipwreck, this man was captured and taken to Beaurain by Guy, Count of Ponthieu. This brother of Sweyn won a battle that followed Fulford, and at his most famous battle, this man fought alongside Leofwine. An arrow to the eye legendarily killed, for ten points, what Anglo-Saxon king who was defeated by William the Conqueror at Hastings?

ANSWER: **Harold Godwinson** (accept **Harold II**; prompt on partial answers)

(5) This empire was victorious at the Battle of Avarayr against the Armenians, but granted them freedom of religion anyway. During a lengthy peace known as the Intermediate Era, this empire’s Yazdegerd I ended its persecution of Christians. A ruler of this empire allegedly flayed and dyed the skin of his rival vermilion after winning the Battle of Edessa against Valerian. This empire was founded after Artabanus V was defeated by Ardashir. Shapur the Great ruled, for ten points, what Persia-based empire that succeeded the Parthians?

ANSWER: **Sassanid** Empire (prompt on “Persia” or “Persian Empire” before mention)

(6) Two answers required. One of these two countries implemented Operation Streamline to control illegal immigrants from the other during the early-2000s. The Chamizal dispute clarified the border between these two countries, which is the most commonly crossed border in the world. Yuma and Nogales were added to one country after the Gadsden Purchase modified these two countries' border. For ten points, name these two countries in the Western Hemisphere whose planned border wall has been a source of controversy since 2016.

ANSWER: United States and Mexico

(7) A memorial designed by Walter Seymond Allwell stands on Hill 145, which was taken by an assault by this country's forces in a battle sometimes called "The Birth of" this nation at Vimy Ridge. The Third Battle of Ypres was ended when Arthur Currie led forces from this country to capture Passchendaele. In a 1917 Conscription Crisis, this country's French speakers opposed the Military Service Act and the British war effort. For ten points, name this former Dominion in North America.

ANSWER: Dominion of Canada

(8) According to myth, this dynasty was descended from Jiang Yuan and her son Hou Ji. This dynasty adopted a decentralized government system called the Fengjian. Jiang Ziya assisted this dynasty's founder King Wu in winning the Battle of Muye against the preceding dynasty. The Eastern Period of this dynasty featured the flourishing of the Hundred Schools of Thought and the Spring and Autumn period. For ten points, name this longest ruling dynasty in Chinese history.

ANSWER: Zhou Dynasty

Second Quarter

(1) This man carried out a burning at the stake on an island in the Seine to curb the influence of the Knights Templar, though his conquest of Flanders was set back at the Battle of the Golden Spurs. The Babylonian Captivity began when this man feuded with Pope Boniface VIII, forcing the papacy to move to Avignon. For ten points, name this French monarch who was named for his good looks.

ANSWER: Philip IV (accept Philip the Fair; prompt on Philip)

BONUS: Philip IV ordered the execution of this last Grand Master of the Knights Templar in 1314. The Freemasonry movement traces its connection to the Knights Templar to a secret act by this man.

ANSWER: Jacques de Molay

(2) A pectoral found in this place with a red disk and a blue beetle represents the prenomens of one person in this place, which was discovered when a water boy stumbled on a stone. This place's treasury contained a gold-covered canopic chest and the remains of two stillborn children. One object found in this place has quartz and obsidian eyes and an elongated gold and lapis lazuli beard. That mask was found in, for ten points, what tomb, officially named KV62, discovered in the Valley of Kings?

ANSWER: The Tomb of Tutankhamun (accept KV62 before mention)

BONUS: This man, who was sponsored by Lord Carnarvon, discovered King Tut's tomb.

ANSWER: Howard **Carter**

(3) In one work by this philosopher, the drunken Alcibiades bursts in after various luminaries take turns giving speeches about love. This thinker postulated the existence of abstract forms, such as the Good. Another work by this founder of the Academy envisions an ideal city-state and includes the Allegory of the Cave. For ten points, name this author of the Symposium and the Republic, a Greek philosopher who wrote many dialogues featuring his teacher Socrates.

ANSWER: **Plato**

BONUS: Plato is depicted in which painting by Jacques Louis David featuring the demise of his mentor?

ANSWER: **The Death of Socrates**

(4) This country's president Jose Ramos Horta was critically injured in a 2008 assassination attempt. This country's former Prime Minister Mari Alkatiri was forced to resign following accusations that he had hired a hit squad. Xanana Gusmao was the first president of this country, where the Fretilin party fought against Indonesian occupiers. The Santa Cruz massacre occurred in this country's capital of Dili. For ten points, name this Southeast Asian country which gained its independence in 2002.

ANSWER: **Timor Leste** (or **East Timor**)

BONUS: In 2011, Timor Leste applied to join this regional organisation which was founded in 1967 with the Bangkok Declaration.

ANSWER: **ASEAN** (or **Association of Southeast Asian Nations**)

(5) Following this war, the central government outlined a campaign based on the Marshall Plan that called for the "3 Rs" of reconstruction, rehabilitation, and reconciliation. The largest civilian airlift in history was carried out during this war, in which Joseph Achuzie failed to repel an invasion at Port Harcourt. Muhammadu Buhari commanded a battalion during, for ten points, what 1967-70 war over a secessionist Igbo state in Nigeria?

ANSWER: **Biafran** War (prompt on descriptions of a civil war in Nigeria)

BONUS: Which humanitarian organization and recipient of the 1999 Nobel Peace Prize was founded in the aftermath of the war in Biafra?

ANSWER: **Doctors Without Borders** (or **Médecins sans Frontières**)

(6) While departing Sicily, this leader said “What a wrestling ground we are leaving, my friends, for the Carthaginians and the Romans.” This enemy of Antigonos II Gonatas died after being hit in the head by a tile thrown by an old woman in Argos. This ally of Tarentum used elephants to win the Battle of Heraclea and his forces were later weakened despite winning the Battle of Asculum. Victories with unsustainably heavy costs to the victor are named after, for ten points, what Epirote general?

ANSWER: **Pyrrhus** of Epirus

BONUS: The Pyrrhic War was fought in an area of southern Italy given what name, which refers to the Hellenic colonists who established cities like Tarentum and Neapolis?

ANSWER: **Magna Graecia**

(7) In the wake of this event, Denis Berezovsky served one day as head of his country’s navy, then defected. Ilya Ponomarev was exiled shortly after he became the only representative of his country’s lower house to vote against this action. The Federal Assembly ratified a Treaty of Accession that officially approved this action, which followed the Euromaidan protest movement. The War in Donbass largely resulted from, for ten points, what action in which Vladimir Putin invaded an eastern European peninsula in 2014?

ANSWER: **Russian annexation of the Crimea** (prompt on partial answers; accept synonyms for “annex”, such as **seize**; prompt on “invasion” and synonyms thereof)

BONUS: Which three word phrase, reminiscent of space aliens, was used to refer to masked military personnel from Russia who were instrumental in carrying out the annexation of the Crimea

ANSWER: **Little Green Men**

(8) This group, which was sometimes described as its founder’s “Weary Walkers,” had a 50th anniversary stamp that commemorated the death of its captain “Bucky” O’Neill, who had died at Kettle Hill. Alongside the Buffalo Soldiers, this group fought against the forces of Antero Rubín at the Battle of Las Guasimas in Cuba. The 1st US Volunteer Cavalry was the official name of, for ten points, what Spanish-American War-era cavalry unit containing Teddy Roosevelt?

ANSWER: **Rough Riders** (accept **1st US Volunteer Cavalry** before mentioned)

BONUS: This colonel and not Teddy Roosevelt was the first commander of the Rough Riders and the man referenced in the “Weary Walkers” nickname.

ANSWER: Leonard **Wood**

Third Quarter

The categories are ...

1. Caribbean Islands
2. 1940 Fall of France
3. Tokugawa Shogunate

Caribbean Islands

Name the Caribbean island that...

(1) Was home to a bobsled team that gained worldwide fame after the Calgary Olympics.

ANSWER: **Jamaica**

(2) Was the site of the Parsley Massacre, in which people fled one of its countries for the other.

ANSWER: **Hispaniola**

(3) Was taken by the Dutch in 1636 and joins Bonaire and Curacao [kur-ah-sow] in the ABC islands.

ANSWER: **Aruba**

(4) Saw its capital city destroyed by the Soufriere Hills volcano in 1995.

ANSWER: **Montserrat**

(5) Saw both its French and Dutch sides devastated by Hurricane Irma in 2017.

ANSWER: **Saint Martin** (or **Sint Maarten**)

(6) Named a public square after its Nobel laureate poet, Derek Walcott.

ANSWER: **Saint Lucia**

1940 Fall of France

Name the...

(1) Axis power that occupied a small section of southeast France after Germany conquered France.

ANSWER: **Italy**

(2) French general who evacuated to London during the Fall and later led Free France.

ANSWER: Charles **de Gaulle**

(3) City where over 300,000 people were evacuated across the English Channel at the end of May 1940.

ANSWER: **Dunkirk**

(4) Forest on the Belgian-French border that the German blitzkrieg stormed through.

ANSWER: **Ardennes** Forest

(5) Line of French forts and bunkers that the Germans avoided by invading through that forest.

ANSWER: **Maginot** Line

(6) French port city where the Free French scuttled its own fleet in 1942 foiling Operation Anton.

ANSWER: **Toulon**

Tokugawa Shogunate

Name the...

(1) Asian country ruled by the Shogunate.

ANSWER: **Japan**

(2) Capital city of the shogunate; you can give either its former or modern name.

ANSWER: **Edo** (or **Tokyo**)

(3) Feudal lords during the shogunate who employed samurai and obeyed the shogun.

ANSWER: **daimyo**

(4) Policy of isolationism held by the shogunate, which ended when Matthew Perry's black ships arrived.

ANSWER: **sakoku**

(5) Religious group that was suppressed after the failed Shimabara Rebellion.

ANSWER: **Christians** (or **Catholics**)

(6) Decisive battle in 1600 where Tokugawa's forces defeated the Western Army.

ANSWER: Battle of **Sekigahara**

Fourth Quarter

(1) **Sarah Tisdall leaked information about the positioning of cruise missiles to this publication, which controversially defended the Widgery Tribunal in the aftermath of (+) Bloody Sunday. David Cameron's role in the Panama Papers was investigated by this newspaper, which broke the news of NSA surveillance programs leaked by (*) Edward Snowden in 2013. The Observer is the sister newspaper to, for ten points, what British daily newspaper that was founded in Manchester and revealed the 2011 News phone hacking scandal?**

ANSWER: The Manchester **Guardian**

(2) **One ship during this conflict may have destroyed its own flying bridge with its first shot. A British-owned transport was sunk at this conflict's Battle of Pungdo. A diplomat was shot while negotiating a treaty which both ended this conflict and provoked the (+) Triple Intervention. Ding Ruchang's fleet was defeated during this conflict's Battle of the (*) Yalu River. The Treaty of Shimonoseki ended, for ten points, what conflict between the Qing dynasty and another Asian power?**

ANSWER: **First Sino-Japanese War** (Accept War of **Jiawu**, accept **Japan-Qing** war)

(3) **The Black January pogrom broke out during fighting between these two countries. One of these two countries launched the large-scale (+) Goranboy offensive against the other. It's not Kyrgyzstan The Lachin Corridor was awarded special status after the Bishkek Protocol ended fighting between these two countries. (*) Stepanakert is the capital of a region contested by, for ten points, what two rival countries that fight over Nagorno-Karabakh and are governed from Baku and Yerevan?**

ANSWER: **Armenia** and **Azerbaijan** (accept in either order)

(4) **An author from this country wrote historical works such as "Chart of Successive Years" and "Comprehensive Mirror in Aid of Governance". As a child, that author from this country famously saved a playmate who fell into a (+) vat of water by smashing it with a rock. Another author from this country wrote a historical work covering (*) 2500 years beginning with the Yellow Emperor. For ten points, name this country where the Records of the Grand Historian were written by Sima Qian during the Han Dynasty.**

ANSWER: **China**

(5) **During this country's independence day celebrations, one of its leaders called a former colonial power a "friendly country with whom we deal as equal to equal;" that 1961 speech was in the presence of King (+) Badouin. A copper-rich region tried to break away from this country under Moïse Tshombe and was known as (*) Katanga. After Patrice Lumumba's death, this country was renamed and ruled by Mobutu Sese Seko. For ten points, name this country formerly known as Zaire in Central Africa, where Laurent Kabila has led a government based in Kinshasa.**

ANSWER: **Democratic Republic of Congo**

(6) **A vice-presidential candidate in this election year had taken over Walter Colquitt's vacated Senate seat and would go on to become Governor of Georgia. In this election year, William Yancey, a member of the Fire-Eaters, helped (+) split one party into geographic factions. The Lecompton Constitution was discussed during this election, whose winning ticket included (*) Hannibal Hamlin. John Breckenridge and Stephen Douglas lost, for ten points, what Presidential election that helped trigger the siege of Fort Sumter after Abraham Lincoln won?**

ANSWER: US presidential election of **1860**

(7) **Gill Bennett's study of this document accuses Desmond Morton of having been its actual source. The namesake of this document claimed that it was "from the first to the last word, a forgery." A unionist named (+) Arthur McManus supposedly signed this document, which called to "develop the propaganda of ideas of Leninism." The Daily Mail (*) released this letter 4 days before Ramsay MacDonald lost the 1924 general election. For ten points, name this letter allegedly written to the Communist Party of Great Britain.**

ANSWER: **Zinoviev Letter**

(8) **This leader's general, Mir Baqi, allegedly destroyed a marker of the birthplace of Rama in order to build a mosque in Ayodhya. This man defended his power at Khanwa, thwarting a challenge from Rana Sanga. In his earlier struggles with rival (+) Muhammad Shaybani, the cities of Fergana and Samarkand frequently changed hands. This man was able to create an empire by defeating Ibrahim Lodi at the first Battle of (*) Panipat. For ten points, name this founder of the Mughal Dynasty.**

ANSWER: **Babur**

Extra Question

Only read if you need a backup or tiebreaker!

A national museum in this country is housed in the Herat Citadel, on the site of a fort built by Alexander the Great. Elizabeth Thompson's painting Remnants of an Army depicts William Brydon's lonely horseride in this country, where William (+) Elphinstone's forces were slaughtered. During negotiations of the Treaty of Gandamak, John Burke photographed this country's ruler, (*) Mohammad Yaqud Khan, near the end of a 19th century war between Britain and this country. For ten points, name this country where Buddha statues in Bamiyan Valley were blown up by the Taliban in 2001.

ANSWER: **Afghanistan**

BONUS: What Hittite ruler agreed to an informal peace deal with Seti I before fighting Ramesses the Great at the Battle of Kadesh?

ANSWER: **Muwatalli II**