

Bee Round 2 – MIDDLE SCHOOL

Regulation Questions

(1) A holder of this position, Philip Snowden, responded to the start of the Great Depression by investigating government cutbacks in the May Report. In 1911, the holder of this position attacked German aggression in the Mediterranean in a Mansion House Speech. David Lloyd George held this position for seven years beginning in 1908, during which time he issued the People's Budget. For the point, name this position responsible for managing the British treasury.

ANSWER: **Chancellor** of the Exchequer (accept **Exchequer**; accept **Chancellor** (and Under-Treasurer) of Her Majesty's Exchequer; do not accept or prompt on Lord Chancellor)

(2) A group of scientists in this country formed the VfR, a "Society for Space Travel," after consulting on the film *The Woman in the Moon*. The Farm Hill transcripts detail conversations between ten nuclear physicists from this country who were detained in England. This country's Uranium Club included a man who stated an Uncertainty Principle. Werner Heisenberg was born in, for the point, what country in which Philip Lenard led the Aryan Physics movement?

ANSWER: Nazi **Germany**

(3) Masaharu Homma was executed for war crimes he committed in this country, where he forced a group of POWs to trek sixty miles to Camp O'Donnell. The Battle of Leyte Gulf was fought near this country, where Japanese forces carried out the Bataan Death March. For the point, name this Asian country to which Douglas MacArthur vowed to return.

ANSWER: the **Philippines**

(4) A character in this novel steals a cross and a watch from a dead French officer who turns out to still be alive, and who mistakenly thanks the thief for saving his life. This novel's lengthy digressions include an analysis of the Battle of Waterloo from the French perspective and an account of Paris's sewer system, which is navigated when Marius Pontmercy is carried to safety from a barricade during the 1832 June Rebellion. For the point, name this novel about Inspector Javert [zha-vair] and Jean Valjean, written by Victor Hugo.

ANSWER: Les **Miserables** (do not accept or prompt on "Les Miz")

(5) This dynasty launched an expedition against the Tsushima Islands and established a "Hall of the Worthies" for scholars. Taejo founded this dynasty, which was aided in fighting off a Japanese invasion by Yi Sun-Sin, after which it became isolationist and was known as a "hermit kingdom." Sejong the Great once led, for the point, what Korean dynasty that ruled from the fall of Goryeo to the early 20th century?

ANSWER: **Joseon** Dynasty (or **Choson** Dynasty)

(6) In one of this man's operas, Herman takes his own life after seeing the title object while gambling. The title character of another opera by this composer rejects Tatyana and kills Lensky in a duel. This composer of *The Queen of Spades* and *Eugene Onegin* used a celesta for the "Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy" in another work. For the point, name this Russian composer of *The Nutcracker*.

ANSWER: Pyotr Ilyich **Tchaikovsky**

(7) To industrialize his region, this politician attracted German industrialists and engineers who built a cement and gypsum plant and a shoe factory. This founder of the Confederate Association brought about a referendum in which continuing the Commission of Government came third and returning to responsible government came second. This man was premier of his province from 1949 to 1972. For the point, name this first premier of Newfoundland who led it into Confederation.

ANSWER: Joey **Smallwood**

(8) During a succession crisis in this empire, Boleslaw the Brave broke his sword while smashing it on a golden gate. Sviatopolk the Accursed was defeated at the Alta River by this empire's greatest ruler, Yaroslav the Wise. This empire's most famous ruler married Basil II's sister, Anna Porphyrogeneta, and converted his subjects to Orthodox Christianity. Vladimir the Great ruled, for the point, what proto-Russian state whose capital was in modern Ukraine?

ANSWER: Kievan **Rus'** (prompt on Kiev)

(9) This king of Anshan consolidated power by defeating Nabonidus, which was recorded on a namesake cylinder that highlighted this man's rule. This ruler's achievements include ending the Babylonian Captivity, allowing Jews to return to their homelands, and creating a new capital at Pasargadae [pass-AR-guh-dye]. For the point, name this founder of the Achaemenid dynasty in Persia.

ANSWER: **Cyrus the Great** (or **Cyrus II**)

(10) A group of five legendary holders of this position are paired with the Three Sovereigns in many ancient texts, and the most prominent member of that group is usually named after the color yellow. The holder of this position was given the right and ability to rule from a divine provenance, which was called the Mandate of Heaven. For the points, name this position held by monarchs from the Han Dynasty.

ANSWER: **Emperor of China** (accept equivalents such as **king of China** or **ruler of China**)

(11) A series of canal locks developed in this city during the late 19th century reversed the flow of its namesake river. Four red stars are located between two light blue horizontal bars on this American city's flag. This county seat of Cook County contains the "L" rapid transit system and Navy Pier. For the point, name this most populous city in Illinois.

ANSWER: **Chicago**

(12) In the leadup to this battle, Odo's forces were soundly defeated near Bordeaux in the Battle of the River Garonne. In this battle, Abdul Rahman was killed during the losing side's retreat, in which they were pursued by Frankish infantry. For the point, name this 8th century battle in which Charles Martel's army defeated an Umayyad invasion of France.

ANSWER: Battle of **Tours** (accept Battle of **Poitiers**; accept Battle of the **Palace of the Martyrs**)

(13) After organizing many petitions for the government to recognize his people's land claims as council leader in St. Laurent, this person led an 1884 contingent to St. Peter's Jesuit Mission in modern day Montana in order to convince an exiled ally to return to fighting. This person and Michel Dumas were arrested after trying to escape to the United States but was not extradited to Canada. For the point, name this right hand man of Louis Riel during the 1885 North-West Rebellion.

ANSWER: Gabriel **Dumont**

(14) Nate Thayer, one of the few foreign journalists to interview this man, theorized that he killed himself to avoid being handed over to America. In 1985, this man selected a successor: Son Sen, who had earlier overseen S-21. Nuon Chea, who briefly interrupted this man's term as Prime Minister, was this man's second-in-command and known as "Brother Number Two." For the point, name this first prime minister of Democratic Kampuchea, the leader of the Khmer Rouge.

ANSWER: **Pol Pot** (accept Saloth **Sar**)

(15) A spy working for this country gained information about American troops by romancing US Senator Henry Wilson. This country utilized the spies Rose Greenhow and Belle Boyd. Because this country's only major arms manufacturer was the Tredegar Iron Works, it employed blockade runners to bypass ships enforcing the Anaconda Plan. For the point, name this country whose Secretary of State, Judah Benjamin, managed its covert operations from its capital of Richmond, Virginia.

ANSWER: **Confederate** States of America (accept **CSA**; accept **Confederacy**)

(16) This politician successfully ordered Sir John Napier to rescue Protestant hostages taken by Tewodros II of Ethiopia. Under his tenure, this man's country suffered a severe defeat in the Battle of Isandlwana by Zulu warriors. This man represented his country with Lord Salisbury at the Congress of Berlin, and he won acclaim for purchasing majority shares in the Suez Canal for his nation. Queen Victoria was a fervent supporter of, for the point, what British prime minister, a rival of William Gladstone?

ANSWER: Benjamin **Disraeli**, 1st Earl of Beaconsfield

(17) A resident of this city named Joshua Norton issued his own money and declared himself Emperor of the United States. Daniel Burnham proposed a Haussmann-style reconstruction of this city, where Levi Strauss founded his jeans company following the 1849 California Gold Rush. Alcatraz Prison lies in a bay north of, for the point, what California city that was struck by a 1906 earthquake and fire?

ANSWER: **San Francisco**

(18) During one of these events, Richard Temple opened work camps and was criticized for "teaching the natives that it is the duty of the government to keep them alive." Another of these events that took place in India in the late 18th century was nicknamed for the skulls of its victims. One of these events, known locally as An Gorta Mor, was caused in part by overreliance on the Lumper variety of a certain crop. For the point, name these events, one of which caused thousands of refugees to flee Ireland in the 1840s and was caused by a potato-killing blight.

ANSWER: **famines** (accept Bengal **famine**; accept Doji bara **famine** or skull **famine**; accept Irish potato **famine**)

(19) An early diplomatic effort to mediate this event involved Adlai Stevenson demanding, “don’t wait for the translation, answer yes or no!” while questioning an ambassador about photographs taken from a U2 plane. The agreement ending this event included the removal of Jupiter missiles in Turkey and the creation of a Moscow-DC hotline. For the point, name this 1962 event in which the Soviets attempted to weaponize a Caribbean island.

ANSWER: **Cuban Missile** Crisis

(20) Prior to its foundation, the residents of this city journeyed from the Place of Herons to Grasshopper Hill, where they got in trouble for flaying a princess of the Culhua people. This city’s sacred precinct was centered around a double temple to deities of war and rain, the Templo Mayor. This city was founded in a marsh at the spot where an eagle atop a cactus was eating a snake, supposedly a sign sent by Huitzilopochtli [h’weet-zee-loh-pock-t’lee]. For the point, name this Aztec capital city.

ANSWER: **Tenochtitlan** ([ten-oak-tee-t’lan], but be lenient)

(21) After this city’s forces lost the Battle of Arginusae, the winning city sentenced six of their eight winning generals to death. The Mothax Lysander was a famous admiral from this city, which lost power after losing the Battle of Leuctra to an echelon formation fielded by Thebes. Xerxes’ advance was slowed by King Leonidas and a group of 300 soldiers from this city at the Battle of Thermopylae. For the point, name this militaristic Greek city state that was the main enemy of Athens in the Peloponnesian War.

ANSWER: **Sparta**

(22) After his experiences in Biafra, one of these people named Bernard Kouchner founded an international group of them that won the 1999 Nobel Peace Prize. Fictional examples of these people named BJ Hunnicut and Hawkeye Pierce worked in the 4077th during the Korean War in the T.V. show M*A*S*H. For the point, name these professionals who work “without Borders” in warzones to heal the wounded.

ANSWER: **doctors** (accept **surgeons**, **nurses**, **medics**, and anything else related to **medicine**, especially in war)

(23) A leader of this country once declared “the sky is not big enough for two suns.” This country was the site of the February 28 incident, which resulted in 40 years of martial law called the White Terror. In 1996, this country held its first direct presidential election, resulting in a Kuomintang victory. Chiang Kai-Shek fled to, for the point, what island, home to the Republic of China?

ANSWER: **Taiwan** (accept **Republic of China** before it is read; do not accept or prompt on People’s Republic of China; do not accept or prompt on China)

(24) This province is set to hold a referendum on electoral reform by November, and on April 18th, it submitted a reference question to its Court of Appeals asking whether it has jurisdiction in a case. This province's 2013 election was a shock win for the Liberals, who had trailed the N.D.P. in opinion polls. Andrew Weaver is the junior partner in this province's N.D.P. - Green coalition. For the point, what province, led by Premier John Horgan, who succeeded Christy Clark, has seen protests against plans to expand the Trans Mountain oil pipeline running to its coast?

ANSWER: **British Columbia**

(25) Participants in these events would make offerings to the minor deity Taraxippus. The quadriga was often used in these events, one of which instigated a civil disturbance between factions nicknamed the Blues and the Greens. The Nika Riots were spurred by controversy surrounding these events, which were held in Constantinople's Hippodrome. The Circus Maximus in Rome hosted, for the point, what events in which ancient competitors completed laps in horse-drawn vehicles?

ANSWER: **chariot races** (prompt on partial answers)

Extra Question

Only read if moderator botches a question.

(1) This policy was largely ignored by Congress as senators flocked to buy from "the man in the green-hat," George Cassiday. Neal Dow became one of the first mayors to implement this policy under the Maine Law. Contraband violating this policy was destroyed by a hatchet-wielding Carrie Nation from the WCTU. This policy became law when the Volstead Act was enacted to carry out the Eighteenth Amendment. For the points, name this 1920s policy that banned liquor throughout the US.

ANSWER: **Prohibition** (accept **temperance**; prompt on 18th Amendment or Volstead Act before each is mentioned)