

# A Set US History Bee Semifinals

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## Semifinals Tossups

(1) Charlotte Serber attempted to share her story about working for this initiative in *Standing By and Making Do*, but publishers rejected the manuscript for over ten years. While working on this project, Leona Woods hid her pregnancy from Walter Zinn so she wouldn't be removed. Chieng-Shiung Wu [[CHENG-SHUNG-WOO]] was critical in solving an issue relating to xenon poisoning at this project's Hanford Site. In order to maintain security, the Calutron Girls were misled while working for this project. For the point, name this project which resulted in the creation of the first atomic bomb.

ANSWER: **Manhattan** Project (accept **Development of Substitute Materials**)

(2) This text noted that "energy of mild and just government ... afforded such an assurance of their permanency and increase." John Adams openly opposed the writing of this document, stating that the colonies should have already raised a navy. George III allegedly refused to even read this document since it was written by traitors. This document, authored by John Dickinson, was followed by the Declaration of the Causes and Necessity of Taking Up Arms. For the point, name this petition, which was drafted by the Second Continental Congress to halt conflict with Great Britain.

ANSWER: **Olive Branch** Petition

(3) This man took an oath of allegiance to the United States, officially recognizing U.S. sovereignty over his country after he was captured by Frederick Funston. This man had earlier gone into exile in Hong Kong but returned to his country and helped the U.S. to control his nation's capital. This man's government created the Malolos Constitution a month after the U.S. paid \$20 million to transfer control of his country from Spain. For the point, name this revolutionary, the first president of the Philippines.

ANSWER: Emilio **Aguinaldo**

(4) This woman was offered a villa and a stipend by Princess Grace of Monaco when she neared bankruptcy in 1968. Charles de Gaulle presented this figure the *Croix de Guerre* [[KWAH-du-GAIR]] for spying on German and Italian high society as a member of *La Resistance*. This American entertainer, who spent most of her life in France, starred in 1927's *Siren of the Tropics*, becoming the first Black actress to star in a major motion picture. For the point, name this entertainer who took Paris by storm in the Roaring Twenties.

ANSWER: Josephine **Baker**

(5) This case undid a precedent established in 1883's *Pace v. Alabama*. Justice Potter Stewart wrote a two-sentence concurrence for this case, stating that no criminal law can stand "which makes the criminality of an act depend upon the race of the actor." One of the plaintiffs in this case personally wrote to Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy, who suggested that they challenge Virginia's Racial Integrity Act with the ACLU. For the point, name this 1967 case which struck down state laws that banned interracial marriage.

ANSWER: ***Loving v. Virginia*** (or Richard Perry ***Loving***, Mildred Jeter *Loving v. Virginia*)

(6) The Joseph Fauchet [[foh-SHAY]] scandal caused this politician to resign as Secretary of State. After his resignation, this man defended Aaron Burr at his treason trial. This man defended George Washington's conduct during the Whiskey Rebellion in essays written under the pseudonym "Germanicus." This member of the Committee of Detail proposed the Virginia Plan at the Constitutional Convention and succeeded Thomas Jefferson as Secretary of State. For the point, name this first U.S. Attorney General.

ANSWER: **Edmund Randolph**

(7) This man undertook a solo trek from Kentucky to Cedar Keys in Florida, recorded in his travelogue *A Thousand-Mile Walk to the Gulf*. This naturalist found himself at odds with conservationist and U.S. Chief Forester Gifford Pinchot over the damming of the Hetch Hetchy Valley. This preservationist's advocacy for a central California reserve led to the creation of Yosemite National Park. For the point, name this "Father of the National Parks" who founded the Sierra Club.

ANSWER: John **Muir** [[MEWR]]

(8) Andre Marrou and Howard Stern both ran in elections with this party. Ed Clark and David Koch [[KOHK]] ran together in 1980 on a presidential ticket for this party. John Hospers and Tonie Nathan ran in an election for this party in which Nathan won the first electoral vote ever for a woman due to a Republican faithless elector. This party received more than three percent of the national vote in the 2016 presidential election with a ticket of William Weld and Gary Johnson. For the point, what is this third party which put Jo Jorgensen on the 2020 ballot?

ANSWER: **Libertarian** Party (prompt on "LP")

(9) This man founded Thomas Road Baptist Church and began *The Old-Time Gospel Hour*. This man sued Christopher Lamparello in 2006 over ownership of an internet domain with a variation on his name and also sued Larry Flynt in 1983 after he was parodied in a "mock interview." After Jim Bakker [[BAY-ker]] resigned, this man took over the PTL ministry and honored his promise to ride a waterslide at Heritage USA, which he did fully dressed in a suit. For the point, name this televangelist who founded Liberty University and co-founded the Moral Majority.

ANSWER: Jerry **Falwell, Sr.**

(10) After his retirement from politics, this person served as chancellor of the University of Buffalo, which he had helped found. This politician served as the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee during the presidency of John Tyler and, while in that position, set up the Black Tariff of 1842. This man oversaw the passage of the Fugitive Slave Act while presiding over the Senate as part of the Compromise of 1850. For the point, name this New York politician who served as the last Whig president after the death of Zachary Taylor.

ANSWER: Millard **Fillmore**

(11) In 1654, forces from this country seized control of Fort Casimir and renamed it Fort Trinity. Willem Kieft [[KEEFT]] objected to an expedition from this country organized by Clas Fleming. This country created a "South Company" to administer its New World colonies after stealing Willem Usselinx [[OO-seh-link]] from the Dutch. This country's New World territories were seized by Peter Stuyvesant [[STY-vuh-sunt]] during the Second Northern War. Fort Christina was settled by, for the point, what European country which settled the Delaware Valley under Gustavus Adolphus?

ANSWER: Kingdom of **Sweden** (accept **Sverige**)

(12) Artist Frederic Remington depicted members of this group in a conflict with American cowboys in his work, *A Dash for the Timber*. A subset of this group which was led by Cochise [[KOH-cheess]], agreed to relocate to a reservation in the Chiricahua [[chee-ree-KAH-wah]] Mountains after two decades of guerilla warfare. Another chief of these people agreed to surrender to Nelson Miles if he was allowed to return to Arizona. For the point, name this group of tribes from the American Southwest, once led by Geronimo.

ANSWER: **Apache** (accept Bedonkohe **Apache**; accept Chiricahua **Apache**)

(13) After Brent Scowcroft's [[SKOH-krofts]] second stint in this position, Tony Lake succeeded him in the Clinton administration. The author of *The Grand Chessboard*, Zbigniew Brzezinski [[ZBIG-nyef bruh-ZIN-skee]], held this position under Jimmy Carter. At the same time that he held the role of Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger also held this role, while Condoleezza Rice held this role before becoming Secretary of State. For the point, name this principal advisor to the president on certain aspects of foreign affairs.

ANSWER: **National Security** Advisor (accept Assistant to the President for **National Security** Affairs; prompt on "NSA")

(14) These people can be divided into two groups: "Leading-Edge" and "Trailing-Edge." Ken Dychtwald [[DAIKT-wahld]] has studied the economic slowdown caused by the retirement of these people called the Age Wave. Psychometric data from this group led to the Lynn-Flynn effect, which suggests that younger cohorts score higher on IQ tests than older ones. This cohort, whose younger members sometimes identify as Generation Jones, followed the Silent Generation. For the point, name this Western generation born after World War Two, preceding Generation X and the Millennials.

ANSWER: Baby **Boomers**

(15) Initial meetings during this event were hosted by Englishman Nicholas Hubbard, who worked for a Dutch bank. During this event, Pierre Bellamy stated "you must pay a great deal of money" after being introduced to a commission by Jean-Conrad Hottinguer [[hoh-TAHN-geh]]. An American diplomat shouted "No, no, not a sixpence!" during this event. This scandal, orchestrated by Charles Talleyrand, led to the undeclared Quasi-War. For the point, name this event during the John Adams administration in which French envoys requested bribes from American diplomats.

ANSWER: **XYZ** Affair

(16) Albert Weinert sculpted a monument dedicated to this event which includes a plaque with words from John Peter Altgeld. The editor of the *Arbeiter-Zeitung* [[AHR-bye-ter ZAI-tung]] was arrested in connection with this event. In the aftermath of this event, Louis Lingg committed suicide before he could be executed. This event was sparked after a bomb killed Mathias Degan and seven other police officers. The Knights of Labor lost popularity due to, for the point, what event in which a bomb exploded in a Chicago square?

ANSWER: **Haymarket** massacre (accept **Haymarket** affair; accept **Haymarket** riot[/a]; accept ; accept **Haymarket** Square riot)

(17) This company issued documents titled "The FUD Begins" and "The Fatal Anniversary" in its Halloween Documents which discussed strategies to counter Linux [[LIN-ux]]. This company was called "an abusive monopoly" in a case heard by Thomas Penfield Jackson. This company tried to eliminate Netscape as a competitor, and the government almost divided this company into two, one to sell software and the other for its OS. Formerly led by Steve Ballmer, for the point, what is this company which created Xbox and Windows?

ANSWER: **Microsoft** Corporation

(18) This treaty's Article III outlined legal protections for the emigration of Canadian-born Native Americans into the United States. The First Party system was partially ushered in by this treaty, which was heavily opposed by Democratic-Republicans. This treaty was meant to be supplanted by the Monroe-Pinkney Treaty, which was swiftly vetoed by Thomas Jefferson. British soldiers were forced to vacate forts in the Northwest Territory as part of, for the point, what treaty, negotiated by the first Chief Justice of the United States?

ANSWER: **Jay's Treaty** (accept The Treaty of **Amity, Commerce, and Navigation**, Between His Britannic Majesty and the United States of America)

(19) An offer made in this document was partially rejected due to one nation's fear of alienating the ABC Nations, which had organized the earlier Niagara Falls Peace Conference. This document offered "generous financial support" and promised that two countries would "make war together, make peace together." The use of unrestricted submarine warfare prompted this document, which promised one country's return of land in Texas and Arizona. For the point, identify this message, named for a German official, which attempted to get Mexico to join World War One.

ANSWER: **Zimmerman** Telegram (accept **Zimmerman** Note)

(20) During the Peachtree War, over 100 citizens from this city were captured and taken to Paulus Hook. Jacques Cortelyou created a late map of this city called the Castello [[kah-STEH-loh]] Plan. Despite the majority of it being owned by the Weckquaesgeeks [[weck-KEES-geeks]], the land for this city was sold by Canarsee chief Seyseys [[SAY-sase]] to Peter Minuit. This city was renamed for James II after being ceded to English forces by the Dutch. For the point, name this capital of New Netherland.

ANSWER: **New Amsterdam** (prompt on "New York" or "New York City")

(21) This vessel was lost at sea during a storm while sailing sixteen miles off the coast of Cape Hatteras in preparation for a blockade of Charleston. This vessel supported George McClellan's landing during the Peninsula Campaign in the Battle of Drewry's Bluff. The sinking of the wooden frigates USS *Cumberland* and USS *Congress* by a Confederate ship drew in this Union vessel in an attempt to save a third ship in Chesapeake Bay. For the point, name this ironclad, which fought the *Merrimack* to a standstill at the Battle of Hampton Roads.

ANSWER: USS **Monitor**

(22) In 1993, Coleman Young stepped down as this city's mayor, allowing for the rejuvenation of Campus Martius [[MAR-shuss]] and the election of Dennis Archer as mayor. Kwame [[KWAH-may]] Kilpatrick resigned as mayor of this city in 2008 after being found guilty of perjury and obstruction of justice. In 2013, this city declared bankruptcy on 18 billion dollars of debt. For the point, name this city which has entered difficult straits due in part to the financial struggles of companies such as GM and Chrysler.

ANSWER: **Detroit**

(23) Joseph Galloway was inspired by this event to propose a plan which was ignored in the aftermath of the Suffolk Resolves. The leader of this meeting lamented the "mutually jealous" nature of colonial assemblies after they rejected one of its documents. A plan presented during this event called for the appointment of a "President-General" who was to be supported by the British monarchy. The "Join, or Die" cartoon was an illustration of the plan created at, for the point, what 1754 meeting?

ANSWER: **Albany Congress** (accept **Albany Convention** of 1754)

(24) A World War One propaganda poster promoting these items, depicted a U.S. soldier being crucified by a German soldier. Along with "Thrift Stamps," volunteers known as the "Four Minute Men" facilitated the purchase of these items across the U.S. through patriotic speeches. The "Series E" type of these items were marketed by the U.S. Department of Treasury during the Second World War. For the point, name these securities used by the U.S. government to help pay for 20th century conflicts.

ANSWER: War **Bonds** (accept Liberty **Bonds**; accept Series E **Bonds** before mentioned)

(25) An American of Swiss origin named Albert Gallatin [[GAL-ah-tin]] negotiated a ten-year joint occupation of this territory with Great Britain. Visitors to this territory often traveled on a path constructed by settlers Philip Foster and Sam Barlow. This territory's namesake treaty established the American line of control at the 49th parallel, excepting the southern portion of Vancouver Island. The slogan "54-40 or Fight" was used during boundary disputes over, for the point, what region and later U.S. territory which names a trail connecting the Missouri River to the West?

ANSWER: **Oregon** Country (accept **Oregon** Territory)

(26) In 2016, this institution's parent company was bought by Vistria and Najafi, with Vistria COO, Former Department of Education Deputy Secretary Anthony Miller, becoming chairman of that parent company. John Murphy and John Sperling founded this institution in 1976 under the Apollo Group. This institution's first class had only eight students, but expanded rapidly after the 1989 launch of its online program. The largest receiver of Post-9/11 GI Bill tuition benefits, for the point, what is this for-profit university named for a western U.S. city?

ANSWER: University of **Phoenix** (prompt on "UOPX" or "UOP")

(27) Edits from William Seward led to one of these speeches omitting oblique references to the seizure of Fort Sumter by the Confederacy. One of these speeches ends with the line, "With malice toward none, with charity for all," in reference to the Union's outlook in the final days of the Civil War. William Henry Harrison's rejection of a coat during one of these speeches led to his death from pneumonia a month later. For the point, name these speeches given during the commencement ceremony for a presidential four-year term.

ANSWER: Presidential **Inaugural** Addresses (accept **Inauguration**; accept **inaugural** address(es) of Abraham Lincoln; prompt on answers like "speeches by Abraham Lincoln")

(28) In this state, the alleged rape of Mabel Hallam and the murder of Clergy Ballard raised tensions during a Fourth of July celebration. In this state, a Black neighborhood known as the Badlands was razed as part of a 1908 race riot. Ragen's Colts, an Irish gang in this state, attempted to incite a riot by wearing blackface and burning down Polish homes in the Back of the Yards. A young Richard J. Daley likely participated in a race riot in this state which swept across the South Side of its largest city. For the point, name this state where race riots rocked cities like Springfield and Chicago.

ANSWER: **Illinois**

(29) During this battle, soldiers under Samuel Smith retreated from a defensive line centered on Hampstead Hill. Arthur Brooke delayed his advance during this battle due to the death of Robert Ross in the Battle of North Point. Dozens of merchant ships were sunk on the orders of George Armistead during this battle to prevent British ships from entering the harbor. As part of this larger battle, Francis Scott Key formed the basis of the "Star-Spangled Banner" after witnessing the defense of Fort McHenry. For the point, name this 1814 battle for control of the largest city in Maryland.

ANSWER: Battle of **Baltimore** (anti-prompt on "Defense of Fort McHenry" and similar answers before "Fort McHenry")

(30) In this city, a plan created by Virgil Blossom was replaced in favor of one outlined by Richard McCulloch. Daisy Bates was arrested in this city for failing to provide information about members of the NAACP. Woodrow Wilson Mann was forced to request the intervention of the 101st Airborne during an event in this city. Elizabeth Eckford was threatened by a white mob in this city while attempting to meet with eight of her fellow students. Dwight Eisenhower sent federal troops to, for the point, what city in which nine black students were prevented from attending Central High School?

ANSWER: **Little Rock**, Arkansas

**Extra Question**

(1) Future governor of this colony Edward Winslow wrote the treatise *Mourt's Relation*, describing the initial exploration of the nearby Provincetown harbor. Once an English mercenary in the Eighty Years' War, Myles Standish was initially hired to serve as a military advisor to this colony. This colony managed to form peaceful relations with neighboring natives such as the Wampanoag [[wahm-pah-NOH-ag]] due, in part, to the help of the Patuxet [[pah-TUK-set]] tribesman, Squanto. For the point, name this English colony in New England settled by the Pilgrims.

ANSWER: **Plymouth** Colony