

Dear friends,



Last Friday I drove down to Lincoln to visit a high school friend. Because the weather was great, we decided to sit out at a picnic table at Holmes Lake, a hangout place in the days of our youth. Among the things we discussed was our common faith in God and the wonderful comfort it is to have a close relationship with Him. We also talked about the sad state of the culture, dealing with our physical challenges, and, of course, “the old days.”

One of the stories that popped up came from our senior year in high school. You see, both of us came from large families (which was great) but we both had to deal with overachieving big brothers to whom our parents often compared us...and not to our benefit. So one semester my friend and I committed ourselves to make the academic honor roll, something our older brothers had never done. Well, at our college prep high school, that was no small goal. However, with determination, mutual encouragement, long hours of hard work, and quite a few sincere prayers, we finally made it!

Well, back then the names of the students who made the honor roll were printed on posters hung all around the school. And we were so thrilled to see our names there that we went around to all of those posters and circled our names so that they’d stand out to everyone! And then, we made copies to send to our older brothers who, by then, away at college.



Now, we both loved our brothers very much but it sure felt good to finally do something that they hadn’t done. After all these years it was fun to laugh at our youthful egos...as well as everything else that came up in our conversation that day. Old friends are indeed a treasure. Okay, let’s go ahead and get #30 in our activity pages going. Have fun and know we continue to pray we soon get back to presenting “When Swing Was King” for you. Until next time...

Claire (for Denny too)

Multiple Choice Questions

1) What was Abraham Lincoln's middle name?

- A) Augustus
- B) Jonathan
- C) Henry
- D) He had no middle name.

2) This Liz Taylor movie was the highest grossing film of 1963, yet it still lost a ton of money because it was one of the most expensive films ever made.

- A) *Cleopatra*
- B) *How the West Was Won*
- C) *Giant*
- D) *Butterfield 8*

3) One of Doris Day's biggest records was introduced in the 1956 Hitchcock thriller, *The Man Who Knew Too Much*. That song was?

- A) "Sentimental Journey"
- B) "It's Magic"
- C) "Que Sera Sera"
- D) "When I Fall In Love"

4) The cream filling in the original Hostess Twinkies had this flavor...

- A) Strawberry
- B) Banana
- C) Lemon
- D) Cinnamon

5) The Amazon River is primarily located in what country?

- A) Egypt
- B) Brazil
- C) Canada
- D) Venezuela

6) The first male African-American to win Wimbledon's tennis championship was...

- A) Rod Laver
- B) Bob Ryland
- C) Arthur Ashe
- D) Vijay Amritraj

7) From "Get Along Little Doggies," the old cowboy song about a trail drive, where does the cowboy promise will be the cattle's new home?

- A) Wyoming
- B) "Old Virginny"
- C) The plains of Texas
- D) The Montana high country

8) True or False -- Ronald Reagan's summer job when in high school was being a wagon driver. _____

9) In 1940 The Ink Spots recorded a hit song about a particular breed of birds coming "back to Capistrano." What birds were they?

- A) Pigeons
- B) Robins
- C) Wrens
- D) Swallows

10) In America, what is the most popular gift given on Valentine Day?

- A) Music
- B) Candy
- C) Jewelry
- D) Flowers

11) Which U.S. military branch has a rank of lance corporal?

- A) Army
- B) Navy
- C) Marines
- D) Air Force

12) Peter, Paul, and Mary had a big hit in 1963 with a song about a magic dragon named...

- A) Puff
- B) Rupert
- C) Excalibur
- D) Fire Dancer

13) Who is this?

- A) Woodstock
- B) Dirty Danny
- C) Shermey
- D) Pig-Pen



14) Elvis Presley's favorite sandwich was...

- A) Peanut butter and banana
- B) Pastrami on rye
- C) Fried bologna
- D) A hamburger with grape jelly

15) In the introduction to the Superman TV series back in the '50s, we were told that he "fights a never ending battle for truth, justice and...

- A) Industry
- B) The American Way
- C) Moral Courage
- D) Progress

16) True or False -- Porcupines can float. _____

17) "Just an old sweet song keeps" what southern state on Ray Charles' mind?

- A) Virginia
- B) Alabama
- C) Mississippi
- D) Georgia

18) What did Georgie Porgie (of "pudding and pie" fame) do to the girls that made them cry?

- A) He pinched them
- B) He pulled their pigtails
- C) He kissed them
- D) He sold them junk jewelry

19) What product advertised that it "builds strong bodies 12 ways"?

- A) Wonder Bread
- B) Minute Main Orange Juice
- C) One-a-Day Vitamins
- D) California Raisins

20) In what state will you find these towns: Lynchburg, Appomattox, Newport News, and Fredericksburg?

- A) North Carolina
- B) South Carolina
- C) Virginia
- D) Maine

21) Dorothy, the Scarecrow, the Tin Man, and the Cowardly Lion sang about their fear of 3 dangerous predators. What were they?

- A) Hawks, ravens, and buzzards
- B) Lions, tigers, and bears
- C) Dogs, dragons, and ducks
- D) Cougars, crows, and cats

22) True or False -- By 1907 the most dynamic team in college football (the team that had pioneered the forward pass, the overhand spiral, and other trick plays) was Carlisle Indian Industrial School. _____

23) Who did Jackie Kennedy marry in October of 1968?

- A) Senator John Warner
- B) Businessman Harry Karl
- C) Prince Rainier of Monaco
- D) Shipping tycoon Aristotle Onassis

24) Which pop group recorded the hit song "Twilight Time" in 1958?

- A) The Drifters
- B) Ruby & the Romantics
- C) The Platters
- D) Little Anthony & the Imperials

25) Which of these songs is **NOT** from the hit Broadway musical *The Music Man*?

- A) "Maria"
- B) "Seventy-Six Trombones"
- C) "Till There Was You"
- D) "You've Got Trouble in River City"

26) The world knows LaVerne, Maxene, and Patty as...

- A) The McGuire Sisters
- B) The Andrews Sisters
- C) The Lennon Sisters
- D) The Boswell Sisters

27) In the song made popular by Vaughn Monroe and later the Chordettes, who was asked to "Please turn on your magic beam" and then "bring me a dream"?

- A) Cupid
- B) Venus
- C) Earth Angel
- D) Mr. Sandman

28) After a legendary career, the "Yankee Clipper" retired from the New York Yankees in 1952. He was:

- A) Lou Gehrig
- B) Babe Ruth
- C) Joe DiMaggio
- D) Ted Williams

29) In the 1960s TV spy series, "The Man From U.N.C.L.E.," what was name of the lead character played by Robert Vaughn?

- A) Blackford Oakes
- B) Matt Helm
- C) Simon Templar
- D) Napoleon Solo

30) Corona Extra, Heineken, St. Pauli Girl, and Guinness are brands which are imported into the U.S. But brands of what?

- A) Beer
- B) Cigars
- C) Candy Bars
- D) Whiskey

Can you identify these famous Americans?



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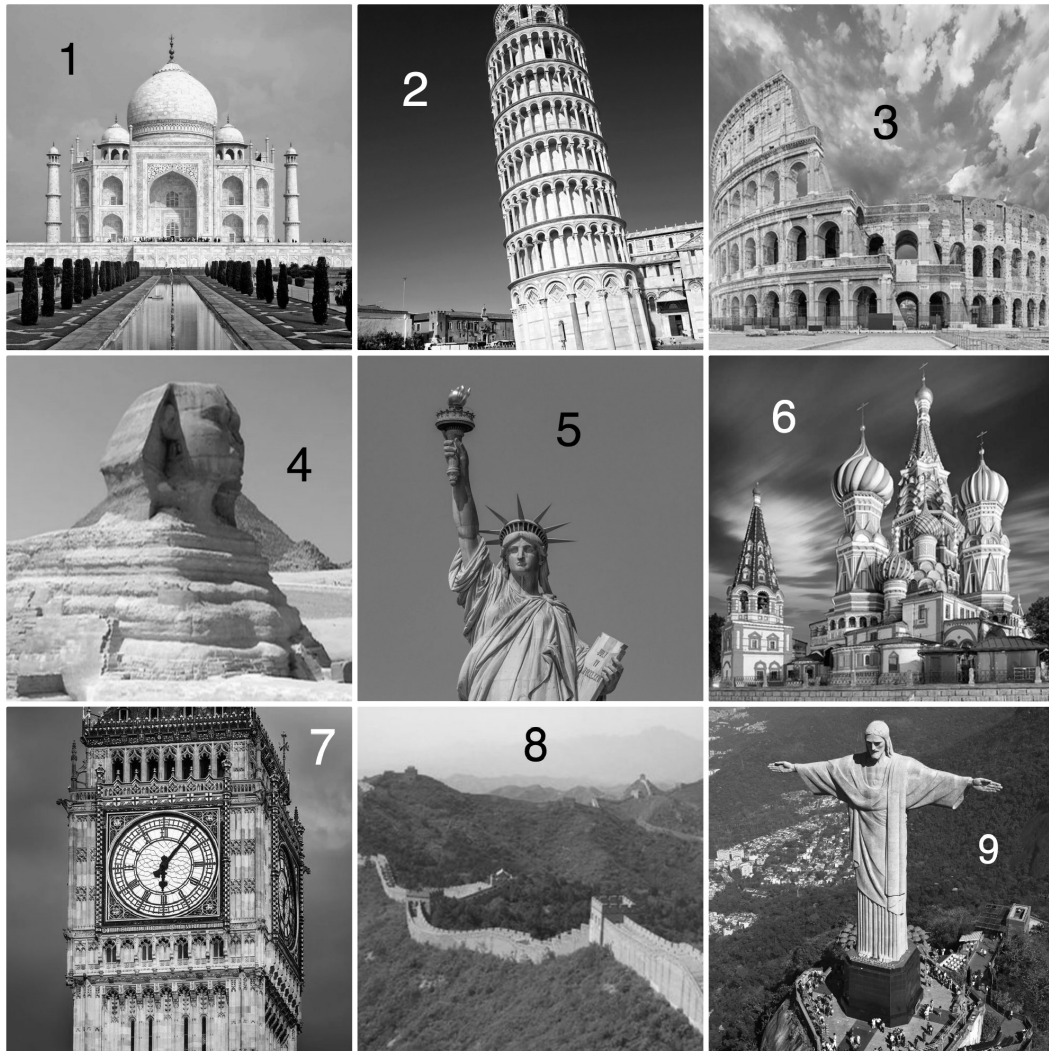
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10) Which of these men was born in Burchard, Nebraska?

Can you identify these world landmarks?



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10) Which of these was designed by French sculptor Frédéric Auguste Bartholdi?

Proverbs to Ponder

“Don’t judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant.”
(Robert Louis Stevenson)

“A lie gets halfway around the world before the truth
has a chance to get its pants on.” (Winston Churchill)

“When one door of happiness closes, another opens. But often we look so long at
the closed door that we do not see the one which has been opened for us.”
(Helen Keller)

“And they were bringing children to Him so that He might touch them; but the
disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw this, He was indignant and said to
them, ‘Permit the children to come to Me; do not hinder them; for the kingdom of
God belongs to such as these. Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the
kingdom of God like a child will not enter it at all.’ And He took them in His arms
and began blessing them, laying His hands on them.” (Mark 10:13-16)

“I’m a success today because I had a friend who believed in me
and I didn’t have the heart to let him down.” (Abraham Lincoln)

“Let us always meet each other with a smile,
for the smile is the beginning of love.” (Mother Teresa)

“It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men.”
(Frederick Douglass)

“For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory
far beyond all comparison.” (2 Corinthians 4:17)

“Always do right. That will gratify some and astonish the rest.” (Mark Twain)

“Social justice cannot be attained by violence.
Violence kills what it intends to create.” (Pope John Paul II)

“In the end there is no desire so deep as the simple desire for companionship.”
(Graham Greene)

“The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting;
it has been found difficult and left untried.” (G.K. Chesterton)

What Comes Next in This Song Lyric?

- 1) “When you walk in a dream but you know, you’re not dreaming, signore. Scusami, but you see, back in old Napoli...
- 2) “The wayward wind is a restless wind; a restless wind that yearns to wander...
- 3) “He’s making a list and checking it twice. He’s gonna’ find out who’s naughty and nice...
- 4) “Once I built a railroad; I made it run, made it race against time...
- 5) “I’ve got the world on a string, sittin’ on a rainbow; got the string around my finger...
- 6) “Have Thine own way, Lord. Have Thine own way. Thou art the Potter; I am the clay...
- 7) “How far would I travel to be where you are? How far is the journey from here to a star?...
- 8) “I want to ride to the ridge where the West commences and gaze at the moon till I lose my senses...
- 9) “There’s a somebody I’m longing to see. I hope that he turns out to be...
- 10) “Oh, I’m packing my grip. And I’m leaving today, ‘cause I’m takin’ a trip California way...

The Answers!

Multiple Choice

- 1) D
- 2) A
- 3) C
- 4) B
- 5) B
- 6) C
- 7) A
- 8) False -- a lifeguard
- 9) D
- 10) B
- 11) C
- 12) A
- 13) D
- 14) A
- 15) B
- 16) True
- 17) D
- 18) C
- 19) A
- 20) C
- 21) B
- 22) True
- 23) D
- 24) C
- 25) A
- 26) B
- 27) D
- 28) C
- 29) D
- 30) A

Can you identify these famous Americans?

- 1) George C. Patton
- 2) Paul Harvey
- 3) Jim Thorpe
- 4) Babe Ruth
- 5) Teddy Roosevelt
- 6) Charles Lindbergh
- 7) Lowell Thomas
- 8) Harold Lloyd
- 9) Joe Louis
- 10) 8 – Harold Lloyd

Can you identify these world landmarks?

- 1) Taj Mahal
- 2) Leaning Tower of Pisa
- 3) Roman Coliseum
- 4) Great Sphinx
- 5) Statue of Liberty
- 6) St. Basil's/ Kremlin
- 7) Big Ben
- 8) Great Wall of China
- 9) Christ the Redeemer (Rio de Janeiro)
- 10) 5 – Statue of Liberty

What Comes Next in This Song Lyric?

- 1) "That's amore."
- 2) "And he was born the next of kin; the next of kin to the wayward wind."

3) "Santa Claus is comin' to town."

4) "Once I built a railroad, now it's done. Brother, can you spare a dime?"

5) "What a world! What a life! I'm in love!"

6) "Mold me and make me after Thy will while I am waiting, yielded and still."

7) "And if I ever lost you, how much would I cry? How deep is the ocean? How high is the sky?"

8) "And I can't look at hobbles and I can't stand fences. Don't fence me in."

9) "Someone who'll watch over me."

10) "I'm gonna' settle down and never more roam and make the San Fernando Valley my home."