

Market House Museum's 'A Bit of This and That' History Quiz

(Answers are found on the bottom of page two.)



1. The last Tsar of Russia , who was an Autocrat (meaning his will was absolute law) became Tsar when his father, Alexander, died at age 49 of a disease that today, might have been treated with dialysis and a lifestyle change. What did he die of? A) Heart problems B) Kidney failure C) A blood clot.



2. George Washington was able to do many things; he was a General and could lead armies; he was a surveyor and could plat properties. One thing he loved to do more than anything was to enjoy his home, designing and managing its upkeep. What color was the dining room trim in Mount Vernon? A) Light blue B) Pale tan C) Light magenta.



3. Paducah's name was suggested by the town's founder, William Clark, of the famous Lewis and Clark expedition. What was the inspiration for the naming of the town, found in a letter at the Museum? A) a tribe of native American Indians named the Padoucas that they met on the journey B) Chief Paduke C) An Indian maiden.



4. England's Queen Elizabeth II was undeniably her grandparent's favorite grandchild, and went to visit George V and Queen Mary while the King was recovering from septicemia at a small coastal town in the early 1930s. While there, the King made a statement in reply to the town wanting to rename it in his honor. What was his reply? A) Bugger Bognor! B) I'll think about it C) Do whatever you see fit to do.



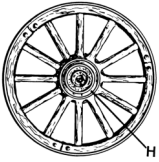
5. If it wasn't for Kentucky, one could argue there would be no birthday parties as folks know them today. Why is that? A) We invented the birthday celebration B) We are the home of Duncan Hines and the 'Happy Birthday Song' was written by a Kentucky lady C) Kentucky made the candles on a birthday cake popular.



6. What is the sandwich that the Bluegrass state is known for? A) Double Cheeseburger B) Rueben and Rye C) Kentucky Hot Brown.



7. There was a famous highway that began in Chicago and went west, and was known as one of the most scenic highways in America. It certainly became iconic! There were a series of red, hand made wooden signs that could be found along its length. What company made and erected the humorous signs? A) Colgate Toothpaste B) Crisco Shortening C) Burma Shave Products.



8. The man who founded the area of Paducah called Littleville was named John Little. He made wooden spoke wheels for wagons. John once turned down a business proposition that might have made him millions. What was that proposition? A) Making spoke wheels for Mr. Ford's Model T's B) Making landing wheels for airplanes C) Making bicycle wheels for the Wright brother's bicycle shop.



9. Thomas Jefferson built and remodeled his famous and innovative home for years. It was located in Virginia and was quite difficult to get to in wintry weather as the roads were not very good in those days. The name of the home was 'Monticello.' What does the name mean? A) Little mountain B) Hard journey C) Home of my dreams.



10. General Lloyd Tilghman was killed during the siege of Vicksburg in the Civil War. He was occupied in trying to help a cannoneer adjust the trajectory of their aim when he was hit with an enemy's cannonball, which almost cut him in two. He died soon after. When did this occur? A) June 1862 B) May 1863 C) May 1864.



11. General Stonewall Jackson lost his life, after losing an arm in a Civil War battle. He soon developed pneumonia and sank quickly, dying a week later. What were his famous last words? A) It is well that I should perish, for I am only mortal B) Let us cross the river and rest under the shade of the trees C) Tell my wife and little baby that I love them so.



12. During WWI, when Russia, England, United States and France fought Germany, and its supporters, Russia decided to rename St Petersburg to a less German sounding name and one that sounded more Russian. What did they rename it? A) Moscow B) Petrograd C) Slavograd.



13. What US president's son was once assigned as territorial governor of Puerto Rico? A) William Howard Taft's B) Abraham Lincoln's C) Theodore Roosevelt's

Answers: 1-B, 2-A, 3-A, 4-A, 5-B, 6-C, 7-C, 8-A, 9-A, 10-B, 11-B, 12-B, 13-C