

## Pub Quiz for July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010

1. **Mottos and Slogans.** What brand of body wash is your man using if he smells like “The Man Your Man Could Smell Like”?
2. **Internet Culture.** In July of 2010, the largest percentage of world wide web users use what web browser?
3. **Newspaper Headlines.** According to today’s *USA Today*, about how much does the Queen and her staff cost each of her British subjects every year? One penny, One dollar, or Ten dollars?
4. **Four for Four.** Which of the following musicians, if any, were blind at the time of their greatest success? Andrea Bocelli, Stephen Foster, Ronnie Milsap, Art Tatum.
5. **Tire Manufacturers.** What privately held company based in Billund, Denmark manufactures more tires than any other company in the world? Hint: I myself have purchased dozens of tires from this company, and probably you have, too.
6. **Film – Star Trek.** According to popular opinion, which of the *Star Trek* films are any good, the odd-numbered ones, or the even-numbered ones?

7. **Pop Culture – Music (Karaoke Question).** The June, 2010 release *Recovery* is the seventh studio album and sixth consecutive number one album by what American rapper?

**Now for the Karaoke Bonus Round, I would like you to perform a rap song, or a song with frequent and intricate rhyming. I invite you not to share with us the theme song from any Will Smith TV shows.**

8. **Sports – Tennis.** What is the nationality of the man who won the Gentlemen's Singles at Wimbledon yesterday?
9. **Science – Anatomy.** What hormone causes cells in the liver, muscle, and fat tissue to take up glucose from the blood, storing it as glycogen in the liver and muscle?
10. **Books and Authors.** The American who has more Academy and Tony nominations than any other writer is also the only playwright to have four Broadway productions running simultaneously. Born in the Bronx on July 4th, 1927, what is his name?
11. **Unusual Words.** What two-syllable word beginning with the letter "Q" means "an object of pursuit"?
12. **Another Music Question.** What German-English Baroque composer wrote *Water Music* and *Music for the Royal Fireworks*?

13. **Pop Culture – Television: Name the TV Show.**

Name the 1990s TV show from this description: “Jack Gallo owned "Blush Magazine" and his daughter Maya Gallo worked for him. They would often argue about the subject matter that the magazine would contain as much of it was too "sexist" for Maya's taste.”

14. **International Economics.** Andrew Batson at the *Wall Street Journal* wrote this last week that "[the country with the third largest economy in the world] is still likely to have to wait until the end of 2010 to pass this symbolic milestone," that is, the size of the GDP of the country that is currently number 2 behind the United States. In any order, name the countries with the second and third largest economies in the world.

15. **Anagram.** Allegedly the most expensive divorce in history was an acrimonious one. In 1999 the 117th richest man in the world paid his wife \$1.2 billion in assets. All because of an alleged “uncharted romp run,” if you know what I mean. What are the two first names and shared last name of the members of this divorced couple? Hint: The letters in their names are an anagram for the common phrase “A UNCHARTED ROMP RUN.” Second hint: you have heard of ex-husband in this case, but not his wife.

And now five questions on the same topic. This week's topic, in celebration of our country's 234<sup>th</sup> birthday, is **Great Moments in American History**.

16. The first president to have served in the United States Congress is sometimes called "The Father of the Constitution." What is his name?
17. With a two year margin of error, in what year was the Star Spangled Banner written?
18. According to an announcement made by the Library of Congress last week, in a rough draft of the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson accidentally wrote and then rubbed out with his thumb what word when he meant to write the word "citizens"?
19. Who in 1776 said the following: "There, I guess King George will be able to read that"?
20. Of the US Presidents found on Mount Rushmore, which was youngest when he became President?

And thus end our round of questions on **Great Moments in American History**

21. **Books and Authors.** What was the title of the 1953 National Book Award-winning novel published by Ralph Ellison, a book considered one of the greatest ever works of African American literature?

22. **Film.** In 1999 and 2000 Mena Suvari appeared in three consecutive films with the word “American” in the title, and together the films had won five Oscars and grossed over \$230 million domestically. Name two of the films.
23. **Temperatures of the World.** During what month of the year is the average high temperature in Iraq the highest at 111 degrees Fahrenheit?
24. **Countries of the World.** What country is home to six of the world’s ten busiest ports?
25. **Recent Films.** In what Oscar-nominated film does a character named Les Grossman say “Speedman is a dying star. A white dwarf headed for a black hole. That's physics. It's inevitable”?
26. **Science.** What wetland ecosystem is highly acidic and has an accumulation of decomposed plants known as peat?
27. **Books and Authors.** What author appeared in all of the most recent *Spider-Man* and *X-Men* movies?

28. **Current Events – Names in the News.** Last week at a fund-raising event, the Chairman of the Republic Party said that the military conflict in Afghanistan was not winnable and was “a war of Obama’s choosing.” Many politicians of both major political parties disagree. What is the name of the chair of the GOP?
29. **Sports – Cycling.** Rounded off to the nearest thousand miles, what is the length of the Tour de France?
30. **Shakespeare.** In what Shakespeare play does the title character state the following in Act III?

Blow, winds, and crack your cheeks! rage! blow!  
You cataracts and hurricanoes, spout  
Till you have drench’d our steeples, drown’d the  
cocks!  
You sulphurous and thought-executing fires,  
Vaunt-couriers to oak-cleaving thunderbolts,  
Singe my white head! And thou, all-shaking thunder,  
Strike flat the thick rotundity o’ the world!  
Crack nature’s moulds, all germens spill at once  
That make ingrateful man!

**Tie-breaker.** According to Greenpeace, what percentage of the earth's original forest coverage remains?