

Williams Trivia Contest Winter 2010
"We Have Your Contest"

Evidence Tag: Preliminary Bonus Hour 0
Due Before Field Operations Begin

Sample for internal use only

From the Land of Sky Blue Waters...

- 1.** What "beer refreshing" Minnesota beer was from the land of sky blue waters?
- 2.** In the movie, Juno, what Minnesota city does Bren refer to as "East Jesus Nowhere?"
- 3.** What Minnesota movie opens with courtroom scenes shot at the Stearns County Courthouse?
- 4.** What breaking news event was first reported by Duluth, Minnesota TV anchor and mortician Dennis Anderson on 10 November 1975?
- 5.** A Minnesota museum holds what artifact that some scholars believe shows the Knights Templar were in the New World before Columbus and the Vikings?
- 6.** Rose Nyland tells the other golden girls all about lutefisk, lefse and Lutheranism back in her hometown. Name that mythical Minnesota town.
- 7.** Senator Al Franken might have looked into a mirror before being sworn in and told himself "I'm good enough, I'm smart enough, and doggone it, people like me." What Franken character would he have been channeling?
- 8.** Which Minnesota business claims to be the largest professional dinner theater in America?
- 9.** What environmental legend is immortalized by a 26-foot tall statue in "The Icebox of the Nation"?
- 10.** Born in Grand Rapids, Minnesota, what Hollywood legend was born Frances Gumm?
- 11.** Hayden Fox coached the football team at Minnesota State University. What is the team's nickname?
- 12.** What fictional character is immortalized in bronze outside Macy's department store on 7th and Nicollet in downtown Minneapolis?
- 13.** Born Herbert B. Khaury, what Minnesota-born ukulele musician died after suffering a heart attack on stage?
- 14.** What artist got his big break, playing a Moorhead, Minnesota gig as the replacement for Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and The Big Bopper after their plane went down?
- 15.** What was tattooed on Minnesotan Seann William Scott's back in "Dude Where's My Car?"
- 16.** Born a Horowitz, what actress was named after a Minnesota city near her family's home?

- 17.** Known as the longest freshwater sandbar, 6-mile long "Park Point" is connected to the city of Duluth, Minnesota by what historic structure?
- 18.** Bullwinkle and Rocky live in what fictional Minnesota town?
- 19.** What former wrestler/actor delivered the line "I ain't got time to bleed" before he was elected Minnesota Governor?
- 20.** What Minnesota actor was famously unseen as Rhoda Morgenstern's doorman and as the voice of Garfield the Cat?
- 21.** What Minnesota city's high school teams are known as "the Flyers" after hometown hero Charles Lindbergh?
- 22.** What televangelist -- famously known for her love of mascara -- recounted her days growing up in International Falls, Minnesota in her book "I Gotta Be Me"?
- 23.** Public radio star and humorist Garrison Keillor gained fame by recounting life in what fictional Central Minnesota town?
- 24.** Norm Gunderson tells his wife -- the Brainerd police chief -- that his mallard painting will be displayed on what denomination of duck stamp?
- 25.** What Minnesota actor played the character Matt Dillon in five separate decades?
- 26.** What's the last name of the Minnesota identical twins who model together in Abercrombie and Fitch and other fashion forward catalogs?
- 27.** Who is the 2009 American League most valuable player?
- 28.** Comic strip legend Charles Schulz started his famous Peanuts comic strip in the St. Paul Pioneer Press in 1947 under what title?
- 29.** What's the name of the Saturday Night Live homage to Minnesota actor Richard Dean Anderson's famous secret agent Angus MacGyver?
- 30.** Dig if you will a picture, of Prince "The Kid" engaged in a gig. What famous Minneapolis bar is prominently featured in "Purple Rain"?
- 31.** More people visit what shopping mall each year than any other in the world?
- 32.** One of the Monty Pythoners wasn't English. In fact, he was born Minnesotan. Name him.
- 33.** What Broadway musical was workshopped and debuted in Minneapolis' Orpheum Theatre before moving to Broadway in the fall of 1997?

- 34.** What company sponsors the National Teen Princess Pageant in "Drop Dead Gorgeous"?
- 35.** It was in a University of Minnesota neighborhood that Robert Zimmerman vanished. Instead, the folk singer started calling himself what name?
- 36.** What Central Minnesota-native director is known to return home, sneak into movie theaters and watch his own movies like "The Mummy," "Van Helsing" and "G.I. Joe" with unsuspecting audiences?
- 37.** Ronald Reagan won every state in the 1984 presidential election except for which state?
- 38.** This International Falls, Minnesota hockey star made good -- becoming an NHL coach for the Sharks, Penguins, Devils and now Aeros. Name him.
- 39.** Who did the "miracle" US Olympic hockey team -- led by Minnesotan Herb Brooks -- beat to win the gold medal in 1980?
- 40.** What Minneapolis duo is responsible for much of Janet Jackson's success and were a driving force in the "Minneapolis sound"?
- 41.** What company has been cranking out "Nut Goodies," "Salted Nut Rolls," "Mint Patties," and "Bun Bars" for 100 years?
- 42.** What is the last of the lower 48 states to get a Target Store?
- 43.** Bemidji and Brainerd -- both in Minnesota -- have huge statues honoring Paul Bunyan. But the city of Hackensack honors Paul's girlfriend with a big statue. What's her name?
- 44.** Who caught Brett Favre's first pass as a Green Bay Packer?
- 45.** Some German Catholics show their reverence for the Blessed Virgin Mary by creating homemade grottoes in their front yards. They surround their BVMs by sinking what in the ground, creating a shrine?
- 46.** What Austin, Minnesota product was first known as "spiced ham"?
- 47.** The mighty Mississippi River begins as an outlet for what Minnesota lake?
- 48.** According to Minnesota license plates, how many lakes are there in the state?
- 49.** Outside of Alaska, what is the name of the only part of America to be located north of the 49th parallel?
- 50.** What term is used to characterize the non-confrontational, polite friendliness of America's 32nd state?

- 51.** In what year did Minnesotans celebrate their statehood centennial?
- 52.** What great fort was built in Minnesota at the junction of the Minnesota and Mississippi Rivers?
- 53.** What high political office was Hubert Humphrey elected to before becoming a Senator from Minnesota?
- 54.** What three national flags flew over the land that is now Minnesota before the flag of the United States?
- 55.** What unit incurred the highest casualty rate of any in the Civil War?
- 56.** Who was the first Territorial Governor of Minnesota (HINT: the county in which the state capitol stands today was named for him)?
- 57.** Longfellow's poem, "The Song of Hiawatha" begins with:
By the shores of Gitche Gumee,
By the shining Big-Sea-Water
Stood the wigwam of Nokomis"

What do we call Gitche Gumee today?

- 58.** Again, from Longfellow's poem, Minnehaha belonged to what tribe?
- 59.** In 1861, Henry David Thoreau spent the summer traveling through Minnesota. As he described it he was "away in the far North-West in search of" what?
- 60.** In 1914, two enterprising Hibbing-area residents offered roundtrip rides in their Hupmobile from Hibbing to Alice, MN. What is the name of this business as we know it today?
- 61.** The theft of what item started the Great Sioux Uprising of 1862 in Minnesota?
- 62.** What was the name of the Dakota Chief who led the Great Sioux Uprising of 1862?
- 63.** What disease is treated by the Minnesota Model?
- 64 to 75: Please give us the name of the Minnesota city or town where each of these Minnesota marvels is located.**







We'd love you to visit Minnesota sometime. For more information, contact our state's events and attractions website, ExploreMinnesota.com.