

California State Quiz

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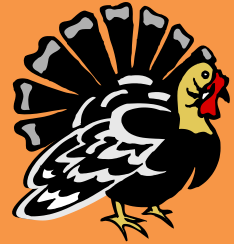
1. California is bordered by which state to the east?

- A) Oregon
- B) Arizona
- C) Utah
- D) Nevada



2. What animal is depicted on California's state flag?

- A) Otter
- B) Bear
- C) Panther
- D) Aardvark



3. The capital of California is which city?

- A) Hollywood
- B) San Francisco
- C) Sacramento
- D) Los Angeles



4. In 2013, both senators from California were women. Name one?

- A) Kay Hagan
- B) Elizabeth Warren
- C) Susan Collins
- D) Barbara Boxer



5. Which is California's highest peak in the contiguous forty-eight states?

- A) Mount Whitney
- B) North Palisade
- C) Mount McKinley
- D) Mount Wilson



6. Death Valley is located in which desert?

- A) Mojave
- B) Sonoran
- C) San Rafael
- D) Lechuguilla



7. Who has not been governor of California?

- A) George Deukmejian
- B) Pete Wilson
- C) Joe Montana
- D) Earl Warren



8. The Spanish missions in California comprise a series of religious and military outposts established by Spanish Catholics of what Order between 1769-1823?

- A) Cistercian
- B) Dominican
- C) Franciscan
- D) Jesuit



9. This Oakland Raider Pro Football Hall of Famer played college football at Villanova.

- A) George Blanda
- B) Howie Long
- C) Fred Biletnikoff
- D) Marcus Allen



10. The Golden Gate Bridge is what kind of bridge?

- A) Cantilever
- B) Girder
- C) Trestle
- D) Suspension



11. Which is not a California University?

- A) Stanford
- B) San Diego State
- C) Gonzaga
- D) San Jose State



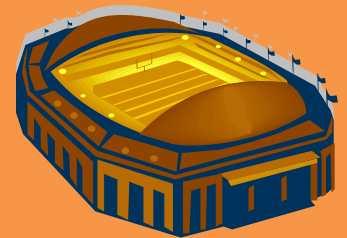
12. In 1977, who was elected city-county supervisor in San Francisco, becoming the third openly gay American elected to public office and the first in California?

- A) Marvin Gay
- B) Harvey Milk
- C) Dan White
- D) Willie Brown



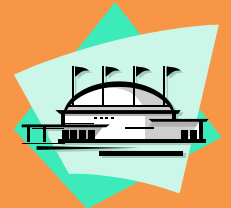
13. Pasadena is home to what annual Bowl game?

- A) Rose
- B) Orange
- C) Sugar
- D) Tidy



14. Qualcomm Stadium is located where?

- A) Los Angeles
- B) San Diego
- C) San Francisco
- D) San Jose



15. Anaheim's NHL team is referred to as the?

- A) Ducks
- B) Kings
- C) Clippers
- D) Lakers



16. After Los Angeles, which city boasts the highest population?

- A) San Jose
- B) Fresno
- C) San Francisco
- D) San Diego



17. Which of the following L.A. Dodgers was not a pitcher?

- A) Sandy Koufax
- B) Kirk Gibson
- C) Fernando Valenzuela
- D) Orel Hershiser



18. Which of the following was not a Lakers coach?

- A) Pat Riley
- B) Kurt Rambis
- C) Phil Jackson
- D) Red Auerbach



19. Which firm is not associated with Silicon Valley?

- A) Western Digital
- B) Nvidia
- C) Adobe
- D) RIM



20. Haight-Ashbury drew the attention of hippie youth from all over America. Who labeled the district "Hashbury" in *The New York Times Magazine*?

- A) Hunter S. Thompson
- B) Jimi Hendrix
- C) Cher
- D) Eric Clapton



Answers

1. D, 2.B, 3.C, 4.D, 5.A, 6.A, 7.C, 8.C, 9.B, 10.D, 11.C, 12.B, 13.A, 14.B, 15.A, 16.D, 17.B, 18.D, 19.D, 20.A

Ratings

20/20: Congratulations; Arnold Schwarzenegger is proud of you.
15-19: Not too shabby; you could reside in California and seem cool.
10-14: Probably the sports questions, right?
>10: Best read some history and purchase a map.



Suggested Reading

All of our California articles at: <http://www.whattravelwriterssay.com/destinationUS.html>

California: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/California>

Suggested Viewing

The Mamas & The Papas: California Dreamin': <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dN3GbF9Bx6E>

California Tourism commercial: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Iey7_N_mEx4

Tony Bennett - I left my heart in San Francisco: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ryF9p-nqsWw>