

Texas State Quiz

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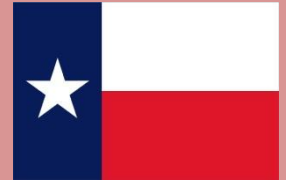
1. Texas shares an international border with the Mexico to the south, and it borders which U.S. state to the north?

- A) Oklahoma
- B) New Mexico
- C) Arkansas
- D) Louisiana



2. The largest city in Texas is which of the following?

- A) Houston
- B) San Antonio
- C) Dallas–Fort Worth
- D) Austin



3. Texas' motto is what?

- A) Don't mess with Texas
- B) Too big to fail
- C) Friendliness
- D) We aim to please



4. George W. Bush, former governor of Texas invaded Iraq as U.S. President on what supposition?

- A) Saddam Hussein was a dictator
- B) Testimony from the United Kingdom
- C) A report about African uranium
- D) Weapons of mass destruction



5. A slave state, Texas declared its secession from the United States in what year?

- A) 1861
- B) 1862
- C) 1863
- D) 1864



6. Texas has 3,700 named streams and 15 major rivers. The largest rivers is which?

- A) Red River
- B) Colorado
- C) Mississippi
- D) Rio Grande



7. Glenn Campbell sang a song about which Texas city?

- A) Houston
- B) Galveston
- C) San Antonio
- D) El Paso



8. The first historical document related to Texas was a map of the Gulf Coast created in 1519 by which Spanish explorer?

- A) Alonso Álvarez de Pineda
- B) Jerónimo de Alderete
- C) Pedro de Mendoza
- D) Francisco Vázquez de Coronado



9. The Alamo co-commanders were James Bowie and which of the following?

- A) Davy Crockett
- B) William Hickok
- C) Sam Houston
- D) William B. Travis



10. On January 10, 1901, the first major oil well in Texas, Spindletop, was found south of which city?

- A) Big Spring
- B) McLean
- C) Beaumont
- D) Abilene



11. Which theatre is not located in Texas?

- A) The Hummingbird Center
- B) Kimbell Art Museum
- C) Bill Winspear Opera House
- D) Bass Performance Hall



12. Red Adair (1915–2004) from Texas was famous for what?

- A) Boston Celtic coach
- B) Inventor of sticky notes
- C) Oil well firefighting
- D) U.S. astronaut



13. Who was first person to coach the Dallas Cowboys?

- A) Wade Phillips
- B) Chan Gailey
- C) Tom Landry
- D) Jimmy Johnson



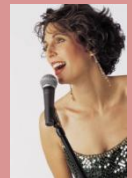
14. Which baseball player is not from Texas?

- A) Frank Robinson
- B) Nolan Ryan
- C) Andy Pettitte
- D) J.D. Drew



15. Beyoncé Giselle Knowles-Carter known as Beyoncé is an American singer-songwriter, dancer, and actress who was born and raised where?

- A) Houston
- B) Dallas
- C) Austin
- D) El Paso



16. Which movie or TV star is not from Texas?

- A) Dan Blocker
- B) Joan Blondell
- C) Joan Crawford
- D) Virginia Mayo



17. Which President of the United States was born in Denison, but raised in Kansas?

- A) Harry S. Truman
- B) Ulysses S. Grant
- C) James Monroe
- D) Dwight D. Eisenhower



18. The largest organized religion in Texas is which of the following denominations?

- A) Roman Catholic
- B) Baptist
- C) Methodist
- D) Lutheran



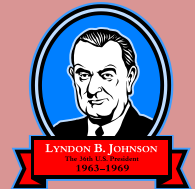
19. John Fitzgerald Kennedy, the 35th President of the United States, was assassinated on Friday, November 22, 1963 in Dealey Plaza, Dallas while traveling with which governor?

- A) Bill Clements
- B) Ann Richards
- C) Rick Perry
- D) John Connally



20. Who was not Attorney General under President Lyndon B. Johnson from 1963-9?

- A) Clark M. Clifford
- B) Robert F. Kennedy
- C) Nicholas Katzenbach
- D) Ramsey Clark



Answers

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

Ratings

20/20: Congratulations; Davy Crockett is proud of you.

15-19: Not too shabby; you could reside in Texas and seem like a native.

10-14: Probably the political questions, right?

>10: Best read some history and purchase a map.



Suggested Reading

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

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

Suggested Viewing

Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders dancing to "Shakin' That Tailgate" by Trailer Choir:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GKg8G9sMWUY>

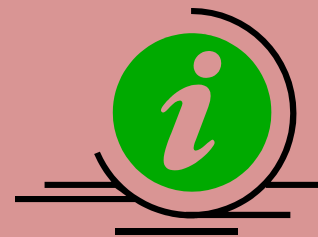
The Alamo - Final Battle (2004):

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rw_fdgaCWpo

My heroes have always been Cowboys: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OMko5LelBdA>

There Will be Blood Movie Trailer <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f3THVbr4hlY>

Hi quality footage of JFK Assassination: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lq91RZko5Gw>



President George W. Bush & Iraq

The Iraq War: Tony Blair's Speech 10 Years Later: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pg9aEV9bcxs>

The Iraq War: George W. Bush's Speech 10 Years Later: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WejYdT3Lof8>

Michael Moore on The 10th Bloody Anniversary Of The Iraq War: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IQK0mkDCiDI>

Iraq: 10 Years Later with Darrin McBreen & Aaron Dykes: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P9V30JiXrJ8>

Noam Chomsky on Iraq War (BBC) (Part 1/2) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j_DPDY4PKqs

Noam Chomsky on Iraq (BBC) (Part 2/2): <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aZU6oPnd8OM>