

National Military History Examination IAC Nationals 2022 Middle School Division

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Instructions – Mark your answers on the scantron provided. Correct answers are worth 2 points. Incorrect answers are worth -1 point. Questions left blank are worth 0 points.

1. Theodore Roosevelt led which of the following groups into the Battle of San Juan Hill during the Spanish-American War?

- A. Yellow Jackets
- B. Rough Riders
- C. Diamondbacks
- D. Bounty Hunters

2. What former Union general ran against Abraham Lincoln for the presidency in 1864?

- A. Winfield Scott
- B. Andrew Johnson
- C. George McClellan
- D. James Garfield

3. Which of these was the largest military campaign of the Vietnam War?

- A. the Tet Offensive
- B. the Gulf of Tonkin incident
- C. Operation Linebacker
- D. the Strategic Hamlet Program

- 4. The Mexican-American War was ended by what 1848 treaty?
 - A. the Treaty of Paris
 - B. the Treaty of Ghent
 - C. the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo
 - D. the Adams-Onis Treaty

5. What Mexican revolutionary was the target of America's unsuccessful Punitive Expedition?

- A. Emiliano Zapata
- B. Alvaro Obregon
- C. Francisco Carranza
- D. Pancho Villa

6. The Treaty of Greenville in 1795 ended a conflict between the US and Native American groups in what area of the country?

- A. the Louisiana Purchase
- B. Florida
- C. Oregon
- D. the Northwest Territory

7. The amphibious invasion at Normandy Beach aimed to liberate which of the following from Nazi occupation?

- A. France
- B. Italy
- C. Germany
- D. Great Britain

8. The Tuscarora War was the bloodiest colonial conflict in which southern colony?

- A. New York
- B. Maryland
- C. Delaware
- D. North Carolina

9. Jet-powered fighters fought in air-to-air combat for the first time in what war?

- A. World War I
- B. World War II
- C. the Korean War
- D. the Vietnam War

10. In 1680, a leader named Popé organized a rebellion of what Native American group against the Spanish?

- A. Pueblo
- B. Navajo
- C. Anasazi
- D. Iroquois
- 11. The Korean War started in June of what year?
 - A. 1950
 - B. 1960
 - C. 1970
 - D. 1980

12. Which of the following Civil War battles marked the single bloodiest day in American military history?

- A. First Battle of Bull Run
- B. Siege of Vicksburg
- C. the Battle of Antietam
- D. the Battle of Shiloh

13. The Buffalo Soldiers were units made entirely of which of the following groups?

- A. Mexican immigrants
- B. Native Americans
- C. Black Americans
- D. Chinese immigrants

14. What young Illinois congressman raised the 'Spot Resolutions' in 1847 to challenge President Polk's reasons for declaring war on Mexico?

- A. Abraham Lincoln
- B. Ulysses Grant
- C. Robert E. Lee
- D. William Sherman

15. The US government secretly sold arms to Iran in the 1980s and used profits to fund the Contras' effort in what nation?

- A. Honduras
- B. Costa Rica
- C. Nicaragua
- D. Panama

16. In September 1813, Oliver Hazard Perry commanded the US Navy to a major victory over the British on what Great Lake?

- A. Superior
- B. Champlain
- C. Huron
- D. Erie

17. Operation Desert Storm was launched during the Persian Gulf War to free which of the following from Iraq?

- A. Kuwait
- B. Bahrain
- C. United Arab Emirates
- D. Iran

18. The War of Jenkins' Ear was a colonial conflict, mostly in the Caribbean and in the colonies of South Carolina and Georgia, between the British and what other colonial power?

- A. France
- B. Spain
- C. the Netherlands
- D. Sweden

19. What country suffered the largest number of both military and total deaths during World War II?

- A. Great Britain
- B. Poland
- C. the Soviet Union
- D. Germany

20. The Great Swamp Fight was part of what 1670s conflict between the indigenous peoples of New England and the English colonists?

- A. Queen Anne's War
- B. King Philip's War
- C. the French and Indian War
- D. the Mayflower revolt

21. The American women called 'Hello Girls' served in which of the following capacities during World War I?

- A. telephone operators
- B. field nurses
- C. ambulance drivers
- D. undercover spies

22. Taking advantage of America's involvement in the Civil War, France invaded what country in 1861 and held it for nearly six years?

- A. Canada
- B. Mexico
- C. Guatemala
- D. Cuba

23. Roughly how many military deaths were there on all sides in World War I?

- A. 500,000
- B. 1 million
- C. 3 million
- D. 10 million

24. In April 1862, Admiral David Farragut ran past the Chalmette batteries to take what major Confederate city on the Mississippi River?

- A. Vicksburg
- B. St. Louis
- C. Memphis
- D. New Orleans

25. In August of 1945, the Soviet Union invaded which of these areas, which was at the time controlled by Japan?

- A. Manchuria
- B. Mongolia
- C. Formosa
- D. Hong Kong

26. During the administration of John Adams, the US fought the 'Quasi-War' with what European country?

- A. Great Britain
- B. Spain
- C. Italy
- D. France

27. The 'Jewel Voice Broadcast' was a surrender message given in August 1945 by which of the following leaders?

- A. Harry S. Truman
- B. Emperor Hirohito
- C. Clement Atlee
- D. Charles de Gaulle

28. During the French and Indian War, the British deported what group of French-speaking people, many of whom settled in Spanish Louisiana?

- A. the Separatists
- B. the Puritans
- C. the Huguenots
- D. the Acadians

29. Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Juniper Shield are part of what continuing conflict launched by the US in late 2001?

- A. the Iraq War
- B. the Afghanistan War
- C. the invasion of Grenada
- D. the 'War on Terror'

30. Bacon's Rebellion was a 1676 uprising in what English colony?

- A. Massachusetts
- B. Georgia
- C. Virginia
- D. Maine

31. Which of the following commanded the American Expeditionary Forces during World War I?

- A. Mason Patrick
- B. John J. Pershing
- C. William Sims
- D. Robert Lee Bullard

32. Which of these men was the highest-ranking officer killed in battle in the Civil War?

- A. Ulysses Grant
- B. Jefferson Davis
- C. Albert Sidney Johnston
- D. Robert E. Lee

33. Which of the following was formed by the United States and its allies after World War II to secure mutual military defense?

- A. Warsaw Pact
- B. League of Nations
- C. United Nations
- D. North Atlantic Treaty Organization

34. General Winfield Scott's 'Anaconda Plan' called for which of these?

- A. destroying the only cannon factory in the South
- B. capturing Richmond in the first week of the war
- C. a complete naval blockade of the South
- D. building new walls around every major Union city

35. Which of the following was signed to end US involvement in the Vietnam War?

- A. the Treaty of Versailles
- B. the Paris Peace Accords
- C. the Armistice Agreement
- D. the Geneva Agreement

36. After defeating the Americans at the Battle of Bladensburg in August 1814, the British captured and burned what American city?

- A. New York City
- B. Philadelphia
- C. Washington, DC
- D. Charleston

37. The Hedgehog mortar, the FIDO mine, and aircraft like the Liberator were instrumental in the Allies gaining an advantage over German U-boats in what lengthy phase of World War II?

- A. the Battle of the Atlantic
- B. the North Africa campaign
- C. the Battle of Britain
- D. the Dunkirk evacuation

38. Which of these was issued in part to keep peace with the Ottawa Chief Pontiac by preventing British settlers from colonizing west of the Appalachians?

- A. the Quartering Act
- B. the Currency Act
- C. the Proclamation of 1763
- D. the Stamp Act

39. Which of the following national leaders was deposed by US forces in the Iraq War?

- A. Tariq Aziz
- B. Saddam Hussein
- C. Hafez al-Assad
- D. Ali Hassan al-Majid

40. In 1786, Revolutionary War veteran Daniel Shays led a rebellion in Massachusetts over what state government policy?

- A. allowing slaves into Massachusetts
- B. the state government ending trade with Great Britain
- C. high taxes and tax collection
- D. drafting men to fight in a war with Maine

41. All of these disease epidemics killed at least 500,000 people during and immediately after World War I EXCEPT which of the following?

- A. the bubonic plague
- B. the Spanish flu
- C. encephalitis lethargica or 'sleeping sickness'
- D. epidemic typhus
- 42. Which of these was invaded by Italy in 1935?
 - A. Ethiopia
 - B. South Africa
 - C. Chad
 - D. Senegal

43. Which of the following CIA-backed programs was launched to suppress South American leftist governments during the Cold War?

- A. Operation Overlord
- B. Operation Rubicon
- C. Operation 40
- D. Operation Condor

44. The shelling of Fort Sumter in what US state was the first engagement of the Civil War?

- A. North Carolina
- B. South Carolina
- C. Georgia
- D. Florida

45. Which of these nations was not in the group called the 'Four Policemen' proposed by Franklin Roosevelt to keep peace after World War II?

- A. Vietnam
- B. China
- C. the United States
- D. the Soviet Union

46. The 'border ruffians' and the Jayhawkers took part in a conflict in what territory in the 1850s?

- A. Louisiana
- B. Arkansas
- C. Texas
- D. Kansas

47. The Red Ball Express was an effort by the Allies to transport supplies to the frontlines following the D-Day invasion using what vehicles?

- A. trucks
- B. tanks
- C. bombers
- D. landing craft

48. Which of these did NOT intervene on behalf of the United States during the American Revolution?

- A. the Netherlands
- B. Germany
- C. France
- D. Spain

49. Which of these is currently part of the Department of Homeland Security and NOT the Department of Defense?

- A. the Marines
- B. the Navy
- C. the Coast Guard
- D. the Air Force

50. The 'shot heard round the world' occurred at what opening battle of the American Revolution?

- A. Bunker Hill
- B. Dorchester Heights
- C. Fort Ticonderoga
- D. Lexington and Concord

51. The 369th Infantry Regiment was made entirely of black soldiers from what New York City neighborhood?

- A. Greenwich Village
- B. Tribeca
- C. SoHo
- D. Harlem

52. Which of the following leaders sparked the Korean War with his invasion of South Korea?

- A. Kim Gu
- B. Syngman Rhee
- C. Kim Il-sung
- D. Kim Jong-un

53. By 1969, roughly how many American troops were stationed in Vietnam?

- A. 10,000
- B. 25,000
- C. 100,000
- D. 500,000

54. In 1857, the United States government began a military conflict with which of these groups in the West?

- A. the Exodusters
- B. the Oneida Community
- C. the Mormons
- D. British settlers

55. A 13-day standoff occurred in October 1962 when American spy planes reported that Soviet forces had positioned which of the following in Cuba?

- A. nuclear missiles
- B. naval warships
- C. infantry regiments
- D. anti-tank arsenals

56. William Travis, James Bowie and Davy Crockett were killed at what March 1836 battle during the Texas Revolution?

- A. San Jacinto
- B. the Alamo
- C. Goliad
- D. Rio Grande

57. Which of the following is known as a major turning point naval battle in the Pacific Theater during World War II?

- A. Battle of Iwo Jima
- B. Battle of Midway
- C. Battle of Attu
- D. Battle of Tawara

58. The US fought the Barbary Wars against what type of people in North Africa the late 18th and early 19th century?

- A. tribal leaders
- B. pirates
- C. Egyptian soldiers
- D. the Libyan army and navy

59. Which of the following was replaced by Matthew Ridgeway after he was fired by President Truman during the Korean War?

- A. Douglas MacArthur
- B. George Marshall
- C. Henry Arnold
- D. Dwight Eisenhower

60. What future US president defended the British soldiers charged with murder in the Boston Massacre?

- A. George Washington
- B. John Adams
- C. Thomas Jefferson
- D. James Madison

61. Which of these was an immediate cause of the United States joining World War I?

- A. the sinking of the Lusitania
- B. the attack on Pearl Harbor
- C. the Zimmerman telegram
- D. the sinking of the USS Maine

62. Admiral George Dewey's victory at which of the following Spanish-American battles helped establish the US as a major naval power?

- A. Battle of Santiago de Cuba
- B. Battle of Manila Bay
- C. Battle of Guantanamo Bay
- D. Battle of Cienfuegos

63. Brigade 2506 was the invading force in what failed 1960s US military intervention?

- A. the Cuban Missile Crisis
- B. the invasion of Panama
- C. the invasion of Grenada
- D. the Bay of Pigs invasion

64. In 1854, Commodore Matthew Perry opened trade between the United States and what other nation?

- A. China
- B. Japan
- C. Russia
- D. Germany

65. Which of these was NOT a country on the Ho Chi Minh Trail during the Vietnam War?

- A. Laos
- B. Cambodia
- C. South Vietnam
- D. the USSR

66. In early 1815, General Andrew Jackson commanded American forces to victory in what battle, fought roughly two weeks after the signing of the treaty to end the war?

- A. Quebec
- B. New Orleans
- C. Biloxi
- D. Mobile Bay

67. Which of these was NOT attacked by Japan on December 7, 1941?

- A. Pearl Harbor
- B. Guam
- C. Singapore
- D. Sydney

68. The Newburgh Conspiracy was a plan by some military officers to overthrow the US government at the end of what war?

- A. the American Revolution
- B. the Mexican-American War
- C. the Civil War
- D. the Spanish-American War

69. Which of these was the largest naval battle of World War I?

- A. Heligoland Bight
- B. Dogger Bank
- C. Jutland
- D. Yarmouth

70. Which of these was NOT a part of the Treaty of Paris of 1763 that ended the Seven Years' War?

- A. France gives Canada to Great Britain
- B. France gives the Louisiana Territory to Spain
- C. Spain gives Cuba to France
- D. Spain gives Florida to Great Britain

71. Operation Downfall was the codename for a planned

invasion of which of these in the closing stages of World War II?

- A. France
- B. Italy
- C. Great Britain
- D. Japan

72. Thomas J. Jackson earned what nickname after his resolve inspired Confederate soldiers at the First Battle of Manassas?

- A. 'Chaos'
- B. 'Black Jack'
- C. 'Stonewall'
- D. 'Old Fuss and Feathers'

73. 'Little Willie' was a 1915 British prototype of what important new type of weapon used extensively in World War I?

- A. a zeppelin
- B. a biplane
- C. a tank
- D. a machine gun

74. In June 1846, a small group of Americans led a revolt in Mexican California often named for what animal on their flag?

- A. rooster
- B. seal
- C. bear
- D. pelican

75. Which of these was NOT part of the Tripartite Pact, a military alliance signed in September 1940?

- A. Japan
- B. the United States
- C. Italy
- D. Germany

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Write your answer on the BACK of your scantron. Please label your responses 1-5.

Place these Revolutionary War battles in chronological order.

Eutaw Springs Guilford Court House Trenton Yorktown Bemis Heights