

SMART STUFF

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Directions: Have fun honing multiple-choice test-taking skills. Divide the class into two teams to play Smart Stuff. Score 5 points for each correct answer. Or, use Smart Stuff as a research activity. Students may research categories in groups or individually.

WORLD AND GEOGRAPHY

- What is the capital of India?
 - Patna
 - New Delhi
 - Mumbai
 - The East River connects which two bodies of water?
 - Long Island Sound and the Hudson River
 - the Hudson River and New York Bay
 - Long Island Sound and New York Bay
 - Which Australian city is the farthest north?
 - Brisbane
 - Melbourne
 - Sydney
 - Which African nation is closest to Europe?
 - Gabon
 - Morocco
 - Niger
 - Where are the Canary Islands?
 - Atlantic Ocean
 - Pacific Ocean
 - Indian Ocean
- Who was Andrew Carnegie?
 - a U.S. senator
 - a real estate developer
 - a steel manufacturer
 - Which law did Congress pass in response to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks?
 - Patriot Act
 - Homestead Act
 - Toleration Act
 - Who advocated for less government intervention in business in *The Wealth of Nations*?
 - Karl Marx
 - John Maynard Keynes
 - Adam Smith

CULTURE AND SPORTS

- Which author wrote *The Outsiders* and *Rumble Fish*?
 - S. E. Hinton
 - Lois Lowry
 - Katherine Paterson
- In baseball, which position is referred to as number six?
 - center field
 - shortstop
 - third base
- The TV show *Glee* is about students at which fictional high school?
 - William McKinley High School
 - Bayside High School
 - Rydell High School

HISTORY

- Benedict Arnold commanded which military base during the American Revolution?
 - Camden
 - West Point
 - Norfolk
- When did Israel become a country?
 - 1948
 - 1945
 - 1939

- Who won the Tour de France in 2011?
 - Lance Armstrong
 - Cadel Evans
 - Alberto Contador
- Joseph Pulitzer, the founder of the Pulitzer Prizes, was a
 - musician.
 - painter.
 - journalist.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- Who built the first telescope, in 1608?
 - Nicolaus Copernicus
 - Galileo Galilei
 - Hans Lippershey
- Which does not contain carotene?
 - carrots
 - broccoli
 - eggs
- Which animal is a crustacean?
 - jellyfish
 - lobster
 - starfish
- How many pints are in a gallon?
 - four
 - eight
 - 12
- Which scientist discovered that planets revolve around the sun in an elliptical orbit?
 - Isaac Newton
 - Johannes Kepler
 - Carl Friedrich Gauss