



Challenge Yourself

Round 3

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During this down time occasioned by the fight against the spread of the Coronavirus, we want to keep our members in touch with the Civil War with a bi-weekly round of questions and ponderables. Some will be easy, some will not. This is not a formal quiz, but a way to keep your ACW expertise sharp. No response is needed; however, if you do want to comment, send them via email to Emil at emilposey@ardmore.net, and he will post with the next "Staying in Touch," which will also contain the "school solution" to this set of questions.

1. Which was the most famous artillery outfit of the war?
 - a. 1st Connecticut Heavy Artillery
 - b. The Washington Artillery
 - c. Wise Artillery, which became Co. B/1st Virginia Light Artillery
 - d. 1st Regiment, Louisiana Heavy Artillery (Regulars)

2. How many campaign rides around the Union *Army of the Potomac* did Confederate Brig. (later Maj.) General J.E.B. Stuart's cavalry make?
 - a. 2
 - b. 3
 - c. 4
 - d. 5

For extra points: Name the campaigns.

3. Which town was the most contested town in the Confederacy?
 - a. Winchester, Virginia
 - b. Fredericksburg, Virginia
 - c. Nashville, Tennessee
 - d. Corinth, Mississippi

4. Which of these was known as the "Orphan Brigade?"
 - a. 1st Kentucky Brigade

- b. The Tennessee Heavy Artillery (African Descent)
- c. The Potomac Home Brigade
- d. The Missouri Iron Brigade (aka Shelby's Iron Brigade)

For extra points: Name the first commander of its cavalry troop.

- 5. Streight's Raid in northern Alabama, April 19 – May 3, 1863, was a complete failure.
 - a. True
 - b. False
- 6. What was the most popular song written during the secession crisis and the Civil War? ("Dixie" originated in the 1850s and was published in 1859 and, thus, does not qualify for this question.)
 - a. The Battle Cry of Freedom
 - b. Tenting on the Old Campground
 - c. The Bonnie Blue Flag
 - d. John Brown's Body
- 7. Which Federal forts remained in Union hands throughout the Civil War? Select all that apply.
 - a. Fort Pickens, Pensacola, Florida
 - b. Fort Pulaski, Savannah, Georgia
 - c. Fort Taylor, Key West, Florida
 - d. Fort Monroe, Virginia

This week's ponderable: What is *battle tempo* and what is its significance?

Answers to Week #2 Questions:

- 1. c
- 2. a
- 3. d
- 4. b
- 5. c

Bonus #1: Lt Bennet H Young

Bonus #2: \$201,522 (I have seen other values, but all are between 200-208K.) The party was captured in Canada 3 days later, and some \$88,000 was recovered. Where the rest went is a mystery.

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