



Challenge Yourself

Round 7

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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 theater was strategically the most important to the Union for winning the war?
 - a. Eastern
 - b. Western
 - c. Trans-Mississippi
 - d. Coastal Blockade

Bonus question: Which was most important to the Confederacy?

2. Which of these Ohio Copperheads were exiled to the Confederacy? (Check all that apply.)
 - a. Representative George Hunt Pendleton (OH-1)
 - b. Representative Alexander Long (OH-2)
 - c. Representative Clement Laird Vallandigham (OH-3)
 - d. Representative John Franklin McKinney (OH-4)

Bonus question: What law did he/they violate that led to his/their arrest, conviction, and exile?

3. Which of the following were nicknamed "Gibraltar's"? (Check all that apply.)
 - a. Vicksburg, Mississippi
 - b. Ft Monroe, Virginia
 - c. Ft. Fisher, North Carolina
 - d. Columbus, Missouri

Bonus question: Give the full nickname(s).

4. What was the formal unit designation of the Polish Legion?
 - a. USA 58th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment
 - b. CSA 15th Louisiana Infantry Regiment
 - c. USA 1st New Jersey Cavalry Regiment

d. CSA 10th Louisiana Infantry Regiment

Bonus question: Who was its first commander?

5. Union Brigadier General Ormsby Mitchel, sometime occupier of Huntsville, AL, was part of humanity's first step on the Moon.
- True
 - False
6. Why did the Union occupy New Orleans? (Check all that apply.)
- It was the largest city in the Confederacy.
 - It was the gateway to the Mississippi River.
 - It strengthened the Federal coastal blockade of the South.
 - Union Maj. General Benjamin Butler needed pocket money.
 - It prevented Confederate goods from being shipped down the Mississippi.
7. What forts did Grant capture in February 1862? (Check all that apply.)
- Fort Henry on the Tennessee River
 - Fort DeRussy on the Mississippi River
 - Fort Donelson on the Cumberland River
 - Fort Defiance at the confluence of the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers

Ponderable: Should the Mississippi basin south of Cairo, Illinois have been considered a separate theater in its own right?

Answers to Round 6 Questions:

- c. Stonewall Jackson
- b. Ulysses Grant
- b. Robert E Lee
- c. Benjamin Butler
- d. N B Forrest
- c. George Thomas
- b. Phillip Kearny
- b. James Longstreet
- b. Edwin Sumner
- b. Albert Sidney Johnston

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