



## Kansas Trivia

### Moderate Difficulty

Please circle the correct answer.

- Which city is the oldest in Kansas?  
a. Lawrence                      b. Leavenworth  
c. Lecompton                    d. Kansas City
- Where is the Kansas State Fair held each year?  
a. Wichita                        b. Hutchinson  
c. Topeka                         d. Salina
- Which city is known as the "Oasis on the Plains?"  
a. Colby                          b. Lakin  
c. Waterville                    d. Valley Falls
- Which Kansan was named the National Football League's Rookie of the Year in 1965?  
a. John Riggins                b. Gale Sayers  
c. Lynn Dickey                 d. Barry Sanders
- Which cartoonist, born in Kansas, is the creator of the famous comic strip "Beetle Bailey?"  
a. Charles Schulz              b. Bill Amend  
c. Bill Watterson               d. Mort Walker
- Which famous Dodge City sheriff was a buffalo hunter, gambler, deputy U.S. marshal, and later a newspaper journalist?  
a. William "Bat" Masterson   b. Wyatt Earp  
c. Henry Newton                d. Doc Holliday
- Which Kansas-born clown known as Weary Willie, toured with the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus and is considered one of the greatest of all time?  
a. Red Skelton                 b. Emmett Kelly  
c. Mark Anthony               d. Bobby Kaye
- Which Kansan, born in Wichita, is known for her role in the NBC television series Cheers?  
a. Shelly Long                 b. Rhea Perlman  
c. Kirstie Alley                 d. Bebe Neuwirth
- Which famous and influential African American poet and author spent much of his boyhood growing up in Lawrence and Topeka?  
a. Langston Hughes           b. Countee Cullen  
b. Jupiter Harmon             d. Paul Laurence Dunbar
- Which county is home to the Tallgrass National Prairie Preserve?  
a. Barton County               b. Chase County  
c. Ford County                 d. Stafford County



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11. Where did the Wichita and other Plains Indians store their food to preserve and protect it?
  - a. underground
  - b. on platforms
  - c. in caves
  - d. in the trees
12. What major trade route through Kansas stretched a thousand miles from Missouri to New Mexico?
  - a. Chisholm Trail
  - b. Santa Fe Trail
  - c. Oregon Trail
  - d. California Trail
13. Which overland trails to the west were primarily used by pioneers seeking gold and inexpensive farmland?
  - a. California and Oregon Trails
  - b. California and Santa Fe Trails
  - c. Santa Fe and Oregon Trails
  - d. Chisolm and Santa Fe Trails
14. What were the nicknames given to those that were freight wagon teamsters?
  - a. bushwhacker and highwaymen
  - b. bullwhackers and muleskinners
  - c. vaqueros and cowboys
  - d. drover and wrangler
15. What town was the territorial capitol of Kansas in 1856?
  - a. Wyandotte
  - b. Lecompton
  - c. Topeka
  - d. Lawrence
16. What is a nickname for African American soldiers of the 10th U.S. Calvary?
  - a. Buffalo Soldiers
  - b. Buffalo Warriors
  - c. Dog Soldiers
  - d. Buffalo Calvary
17. What is the state amphibian of Kansas?
  - a. barred tiger salamander
  - b. bullfrog
  - c. tree frog
  - d. mudpuppy
18. What is the state march of Kansas?
  - a. I'm a Jayhawk
  - b. Wildcat Victory
  - c. Kansas March
  - d. Free State March
19. When was the state seal of Kansas adopted?
  - a. 1861
  - b. 1862
  - c. 1859
  - d. 1860
20. Where could travelers crossing the plains find security, obtain supplies, mail letters, make repairs, and get medical attention?
  - a. general store
  - b. post office
  - c. military post
  - d. hospital
21. What was the date Kansas was admitted into the Union?
  - a. July 4, 1861
  - b. January 28, 1861
  - c. June 28, 1861
  - d. January 29, 1861
22. After Kansas was admitted into the Union, how many stars were on the United States flag?
  - a. 32
  - b. 33
  - c. 34
  - d. 35



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