Q. Which west Tennessee county is the largest agricultural production county in the state?
A. Gibson County

Q. Who was the governor of the State of Franklin?
A. John Sevier

Q. Who was the architect of the Tennessee state capitol building?
A. William Strickland

Q. Who was Tennessee’s territorial governor?
A. William Blount

Q. Who is the past 4-H member that coached the Lady Vols basketball team and had the most wins of any NCAA coach in history?
A. Pat Head Summitt

Q. Which West Tennessee county is known as the “Tomato Capitol of the South?”
A. Lauderdale County

Q. Which West Tennessee county includes Mud Island?
A. Shelby County

Q. Which West Tennessee county has one of the largest tea pot collections in the world?
A. Gibson
Q. Which West Tennessee county boasts a large meteorite crater?
A. Carroll County

Q. Which town hosts the National Walking Horse Celebration each year?
A. Shelbyville

Q. Which Tennessee state bird is featured on the “Tennessee State Parkways” signs?
A. Mockingbird

Q. Which state-wide 4-H activity features members wearing 4-H sweaters?
A. State 4-H Congress

Q. Which state symbol lights up on a summer night?
A. Firefly

Q. Which state symbol is known as a beneficial insect?
A. Ladybug

Q. Which state symbol is a way to commemorate Scottish descendants?
A. Tartan

Q. Which state symbol is a breed that was developed in Tennessee and performs the running walk?
A. Tennessee Walking Horse
Q. Which of the Tennessee state symbols can be found living in a covey?
A. Bobwhite quail

Q. Which Middle Tennessee town is home to Mule Days?
A. Columbia

Q. Which historic road connected Middle Tennessee with the lower Mississippi River?
A. Natchez Trace

Q. Which county is home to the World’s Biggest Fish Fry?
A. Henry County

Q. Which county is home to the “Miss Tennessee Pageant?”
A. Madison County

Q. Which county is home to Reelfoot Lake?
A. Lake County

Q. Which building is a Greek reproduction originally built for Nashville’s Centennial Exposition?
A. The Parthenon
Q. What is the state gem?
A. TN River pearl

Q. When was Tennessee’s Constitution last amended?
A. 2014

Q. What year was Tennessee admitted into the Union as a state?
A. 1796

Q. What year did Tennessee’s first 4-H clubs, then called Boys’ Corn Clubs, begin?
A. 1910

Q. What was the top secret project that Tennessee was involved in during World War II to develop the first atomic bomb?
A. The Manhattan Project

Q. What was the period after the Civil War called?
A. Reconstruction

Q. What was the original use of the Clyde M. York 4-H Center?
A. WWII Prisoner of War camp

Q. What two cities have been home to our state’s capital?
A. Nashville and Knoxville
Q. What two 4-H symbols were adopted in 1927?
A. The 4-H Pledge and Emblem

Q. What three offices are elected at State 4-H Congress?
A. Governor, Speaker of the House and Speaker of the Senate

Q. What Tennessee Civil War battle became the first major victory for General U.S. Grant?
A. Fort Donelson

Q. What Tennessee author wrote the book entitled Roots?
A. Alex Haley

Q. What nickname was given the gubernatorial campaign in which brothers Alfred and Robert Taylor ran against each other?
A. The War of the Roses

Q. What Native American tribe was forcibly removed from Tennessee on the “Trail of Tears?”
A. Cherokee

Q. What is the title of someone who is in charge of one of the departments of state government?
A. Commissioner

Q. What is the Tennessee state tree?
A. Tulip poplar
Q. What is the Tennessee state poem?
A. Oh Tennessee, My Tennessee

Q. What is the Tennessee state motto?
A. Agriculture and Commerce

Q. What is the state reptile?
A. Eastern box turtle

Q. What is the state flower that is also called the maypop?
A. Passionflower

Q. What is the state bird?
A. Mockingbird

Q. What is the state agricultural insect?
A. Honeybee

Q. What is the purpose of the blue bar on the state flag?
A. It relieves the sameness of the crimson field and prevents too much crimson from showing when hanging limp.

Q. What is the primary function of Tennessee’s General Assembly?
A. Lawmaking
Q. What is the name of this Memphis street, which had become the center of blues music by the 1920’s?
A. Beale Street

Q. What is the name of the war in which Tennessee earned its nickname “The Volunteer State?”
A. The Mexican War

Q. What is the name of the oldest registered distillery in the nation?
A. Jack Daniels

Q. What is the name of the medallion presented to state project winners at State Roundup?
A. The Ieula Lee Medallion

Q. What is the name of the first published history of Tennessee 4-H?
A. 4-H: A Tennessee Tradition

Q. What is the name of the earthquakes that created Reelfoot Lake?
A. New Madrid earthquakes

Q. What is the name of the 4-H camp in Columbia?
A. William P. Ridley 4-H Center

Q. What is Tennessee’s state game fish?
A. Largemouth bass
Q. What is Tennessee’s state folk dance?
A. Square dance

Q. What is Tennessee’s state commercial fish?
A. Channel catfish

Q. What early Tennessee industry utilized large stone furnaces, forges and huge amounts of manpower?
A. Iron

Q. What do the three stars in the Tennessee flag represent?
A. The grand divisions of the state.

Q. What do the Roman numerals “XVI” stand for on Tennessee’s seal?
A. The number of the state in chronological order that it entered the Union.

Q. What are Tennessee’s two land-grant universities?
A. The University of Tennessee and Tennessee State University

Q. What 4-H project studies insects?
A. Entomology

Q. Which United States President is buried on the grounds of the state capital building.
A. James K. Polk
Q. Which Tennessee state game bird whistles its own name?
A. The Bobwhite Quail

Q. Which Tennessee dairy farm had their ice cream ranked by Time magazine “one of the best in the world?”
A. Mayfield Dairy Farms

Q. Which Tennessee city became the first major city in the South to begin desegregating its public facilities?
A. Nashville

Q. This state 4-H event rotates between UT Martin and UT Knoxville each year.
A. State 4-H Roundup

Q. This school was the first African American medical school in the nation.
A. Meharry Medical College

Q. This phrase was not part of the original 4-H Pledge.
A. “and my world”

Q. This organization was established in 1975 for past 4-H members with the motto, “Continuing Service.”
A. Tennessee 4-H Alumni, Inc.

Q. This nocturnal masked bandit was named the state wild animal in 1971.
A. Raccoon
Q. This lady was the first American woman to win three gold medals in track at a single Olympics.
A. Wilma Rudolph

Q. This is the highest point in West Tennessee.
A. Pilot Knob

Q. This first-ever state-wide 4-H event was billed as “a nice vacation for rural boys and girls.”
A. State 4-H Roundup

Q. This federal corporation is the nation’s largest public power provider.
A. Tennessee Valley Authority

Q. This entity’s mission is to raise funds for Tennessee 4-H since 1953.
A. The Tennessee 4-H Foundation

Q. This East Tennessee valley is known as “the Grand Canyon of the South.”
A. Sequatchie Valley

Q. This county’s fair hosts the only harness racing in Tennessee.
A. Lincoln County

Q. This county was not only the birthplace of David Crockett, but also the home of Andrew Johnson.
A. Greene County
Q. This county is the resting place of famous explorer Meriwether Lewis.
A. Lewis County

Q. This county is home to the Natural Bridge and Rock Courthouse.
A. Wayne County

Q. This city was the site for the top secret military project to develop the first atomic weapon.
A. Oak Ridge

Q. This citizen of Fentress County was the most celebrated American soldier in World War I.
A. Alvin C. York

Q. This building, known as the “Mother Church of Country Music,” was the home of the Grand Ole Opry.
A. Ryman Auditorium

Q. This Benton county native is believed by some to be Tennessee’s first 4-H member.
A. Mertie Hardin

Q. This award is the highest level of recognition for a 4-H member in Tennessee.
A. The Vol State Award

Q. This area was the gateway to the land west of the Appalachians for the likes of Thomas Walker and Daniel Boone.
A. Cumberland Gap
Q. This “very large farm” is home to a UT demonstration farm and the National Field Trial Championship.  
A. Ames Plantation

Q. There is an obelisk located just outside of Murfreesboro. What does it mark?  
A. The exact location of the geographic center of Tennessee.

Q. The Tennessee delegate set a record in 1979 at National Congress. What was it for?  
A. Most national winners from one state.

Q. The state legislature caused an uproar when they passed a bill naming this flower as the state flower. 
A. The Iris

Q. The Shiloh National Military Park is located in this county.  
A. Hardin

Q. The highest waterfall east of the Rockies is located in this state park.  
A. Fall Creek Falls State Park

Q. The first 4-H clubs for girls were known by this name.  
A. Girls’ Tomato Clubs

Q. The Cherokee called the passionflower by this name.  
A. Ocoee
Q. The buzz about this Tennessee state symbol is that it is not native to the U.S. It was brought here by European settlers.
A. The honeybee

Q. Tatertown is the nickname of this small town, located in Weakley County.
A. Gleason

Q. Sun Records and Stax Records studios are located in which Tennessee city?
A. Memphis

Q. Slaves were least likely to be found in which grand division of Tennessee?
A. East

Q. Rock and roll legend Tina Turner was born in which West Tennessee town?
A. Nutbush

Q. Out of the 11 states that joined the Confederacy, where did Tennessee rank in order of entry?
A. 11th or last

Q. Other than “The Volunteer State,” what is another of Tennessee’s nicknames?
A. “Big Bend State,” “The River with the Big Bend,” “Hog and Hominy State,” and “The Mother of Southwest Statesmen”

Q. Ophelia Colley Cannon was better known by her stage name. What was it?
A. Minnie Pearl
Q. Name two official Tennessee state songs.

Q. Name two of Tennessee’s current U.S. Congressman.
A. Steve Cohen, Stephen Fincher, Marsha Blackburn, Diane Black, Jim Cooper, Scott DesJarlais, Charles (Chuck) Fleischman, John (Jimmy) Duncan, Jr., David (Phil) Roe

Q. Name two of four figures featured on the Tennessee seal?
A. Plough, sheaf of wheat, cotton plant, and boat

Q. Name this Tennessean that served as our nations’ Vice President from 1992 to 2000.
A. Al Gore, Jr.

Q. Name this Clarksvillian that served three terms as governor.
A. Austin Peay

Q. Name the two state rocks?
A. Agate and limestone

Q. Name the three U.S. Presidents from Tennessee.
A. Andrew Jackson, James K. Polk, Andrew Johnson

Q. Name the state butterfly.
A. Zebra Swallowtail
Q. Name the battle during the Civil War in which more men lost their lives than in any previous American war.
A. The Battle of Shiloh

Q. Name the "King of Rock 'n Roll's" home that is the most visited celebrity museum in the country.
A. Graceland

Q. Name Tennessee’s state gem.
A. Freshwater Pearl

Q. Most state capitol buildings have a dome. What tops the Tennessee State Capitol Building?
A. Tower

Q. Marble is a form of this state rock.
A. Limestone

Q. Ladyfinger Bluff and Mousetail Landing are located in this TN River county.
A. Perry County

Q. In which city is TVA based?
A. Knoxville

Q. In which 4-H event would members act as senators and representatives?
A. State 4-H Congress
Q. In reference to 4-H, what do William Ridley, Clyde Austin and Clyde York have in common?
A. They are all 4-H Centers.

Q. If you exhibit a heifer at the State Expo, you are a member of which 4-H project?
A. Beef

Q. If you are showing your Brown Swiss heifer, what is your 4-H project?
A. Dairy

Q. If you are performing moves like shooting the star, bird in the cage, rock the cradle or four leaf clover, what are you doing?
A. Square dancing

Q. How many members are in the Tennessee Senate?
A. Thirty-three

Q. How many members are in the Tennessee House of Representatives?
A. Ninety-nine

Q. How many counties are in Tennessee?
A. 95

Q. How long is a term for a Tennessee Representative?
A. Two years
Q. How long do Tennessee Senators’ terms last?
A. Four years

Q. Half of State Street in Bristol is located in Tennessee, and the other half is located in which state?
A. Virginia

Q. Gatlinburg is located at the entrance to which park?
A. Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Q. Founded as East Tennessee College, we now know it by this name.
A. The University of Tennessee

Q. Fort Donelson is located in which county?
A. Stewart County

Q. Dyer County 4-H member Peggy Davis was one of two 4-H members to bring this program to Tennessee.
A. The All Star program.

Q. During which year was Knoxville host to the World’s Fair?
A, 1982

Q. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated in this city in 1968.
A. Memphis
Q. Confederate hero Sam Davis was from this county in Middle Tennessee.
A. Giles County

Q. Buford Pusser “walked tall” as the Sheriff of which county?
A. McNairy County

Q. Before serving as Tennessee’s governor, Bill Haslam served as mayor of this city.
A. Knoxville

Q. Which Tennessee politician served as the U.S. Secretary of State longer than any other man in American history?
A. Cordell Hull

Q. Which rare amphibian was first discovered in 1954 by Dr. Edward McCrady?
A. Tennessee cave salamander

Q. In 1925, WSM, a Nashville radio station, began broadcasting a weekly program of live music. What was the name of this show?
A. The Grand Ole Opry

Q. Which county in Middle Tennessee is the birthplace of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church?
A. Dickson County

Q. William Lawrence penned this noted Tennessee poem.
A. Oh Tennessee, My Tennessee
Q. Who was appointed military governor of Tennessee during the Civil War?
A. Andrew Johnson

Q. Which former governor has a state park named for him?
A. Henry Horton

Q. Which Middle Tennessee county is home to one of two national monuments to the Mexican War?
A. Lawrence County

Q. Which county is known as the “nursery capitol of the South?”
A. Warren County

Q. Which county is home to Tennessee Technological University?
A. Putnam County

Q. Which county courthouse was the site of the “Monkey Trial?”
A. Rhea County

Q. Which county contains the Savage Gulf State Natural Area?
A. Grundy County

Q. What was the name of the world renowned singing group from Fisk University?
A. The Fisk Jubilee Singers
Q. What was the name of the first U.S. newspaper devoted entirely to freeing slaves?
A. Manumission Intelligencer or Emancipator

Q. What town hosts Tennessee’s official jamboree and crafts festival?
A. Smithville

Q. What is the name of the world’s largest underground lake?
A. The Lost Sea

Q. What is the name of the 4-H Center located in Greenville?
A. Clyde Austin 4-H Center

Q. Who is Tennessee’s Speaker of the House of Representatives?
A. Beth Harwell

Q. Who is Tennessee’s poet laureate?
A. Margaret Britton Vaughn

Q. Who is Tennessee Lieutenant Governor?
A. Ron Ramsey

Q. Who is the head coach for the University of Tennessee Knoxville’s football team?
A. Butch Jones

Q. Who is Tennessee’s First Lady?
A. Crissy Haslam

Q. Who is the current head coach of the University of Tennessee’s men’s basketball team?
A. Rick Barnes
Name the four counties that border McNairy County.
Chester, Hardin, Hardeman, Alcorn (Mississippi)

Who was the first African American to serve on the Bethel Springs Board of Aldermen?
Ms. T. C. Williams

List five of the towns in McNairy County
Finger, Selmer, Bethel Springs, Milledgeville, Adamsville, Ramer, Michie, Guys, Eastview, Stantonville

Who was the first African American mayor in McNairy County, serving the town of Guys from 2004-2008?
Paul Durr

Name the State Park in McNairy County.
Big Hill Pond State Park

Who has a museum about his life located in Adamsville, TN?
Sherriff Buford Pusser

List three of the five major highways in McNairy County.
45, 64, 142, 22, and 57

Who was the first high school principal of African American descent from McNairy County?
Elmer Ledbetter

What cities in McNairy County contain Industrial Parks?
Adamsville, Selmer

When was the first black high school established in McNairy County (McNairy County High School)?
1939
What are the two railroads in McNairy County?
Illinois Central, Southern

How many students were in the first graduating class from the first black high school in McNairy County (McNairy County High School), around 1941?
7

What kind of work do most people do in McNairy County?
Manufacturing

Who was the first African American McNairy County Commissioner?
Garlon Johnson

Are most people in McNairy County married or unmarried?
Married (54% - will accept answer without the percentage)

Who was the Bethel Springs native who served as the first African American Chancellor of the Board of Regents for Tennessee?
Dr. Otis Floyd, Jr.

What is the average age of people in McNairy County?
39

Who was the only Tennessee Governor from McNairy County?
Ray Blanton

Are there more males or females in McNairy County?
Females (52% - will accept answer without the percentage)

Who was the subject of a movie entitled “Walking Tall”, first released in 1973?
Sherriff Buford Pusser
ALL GRADES, MCNAIRY COUNTY SECTION

How many homes are there in McNairy County?
11,700

What three symbols can be found inside the circle on the official McNairy County flag?
1. Cotton leaf
2. Gavel
3. Factory

What is the average annual salary in McNairy County?
$31,000

Who is the outlaw who supposedly stayed in McNairy County before robbing the bank at Corinth, MS?
Jesse James

In what year was the McNairy County seat established?
1823

Where was the first McNairy County seat?
Purdy

Who was the first speaker at the first McNairy County courthouse?
Davy Crockett

Who was McNairy County named after?
Judge John McNairy

What does the cotton leaf on the McNairy County flag stand for?
Agriculture

What two things destroyed the first McNairy County Seat?
1. The courthouse was burned in 1881
2. The town of Purdy voted against allowing the M&O Railroad to come through.
What does the gavel on the McNairy County flag stand for?
Judge John McNairy, for whom the county is named

What former Tennessee Governor is now buried at Shiloh National Military Park?
Ray Blanton

What does the factory on the McNairy County flag stand for?
Industry

For what is McNairy County Sheriff Buford Pusser known?
Inspired the movie, “Walking Tall”, first released in 1973

What McNairy County community did the outlaw Jesse James supposedly camp near before robbing the bank at Corinth, MS?
Chewalla
Who is believed to be the inspiration for “The Lone Ranger”? 
Bass Reeves

Who was murdered at the Lorraine Motel in 1968 while in Memphis as part of the Civil Rights Movement? 
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Who is often called the “Black Edison” for making many important discoveries, like Thomas Edison did? 
Granville T. Woods

What former slave was nicknamed “spokesman for his race”? 
Frederic Douglass

Who created “The Walker System” of hair care products and became a millionaire, even though she was born poor? 
Madame C. J. Walker

What black woman was the most famous conductor on the Underground Railroad? 
Harriet Tubman

Who became the first black female bank president in America after starting a bank for African Americans in 1903? 
Maggie Lena Walker

What former slave woman became a famous speaker after receiving her freedom in 1827, even though she could not read or write? 
Sojourner Truth

Who was the first black female federal judge? 
Constance Baker Motley
ALL GRADES, BLACK HISTORY SECTION

Who was the first African American opera singer to sing with the New York Metropolitan Opera Company?
Marian Anderson

Who won the Brown versus the Board of Education case that desegregated schools, and became the first African American Supreme Court Justice?
Thurgood Marshall

What former slave convinced Abraham Lincoln to allow black men to fight during the Civil War, leading to the formation of black fighting units in the Union Army?
Frederic Douglass

Who was the first black female member of Congress?
Shirley Chisholm

What choice did Underground Railroad conductor Harriet Tubman give runaway slaves when the slave hunters were closing in?
Continue with her to the North, or be shot on the spot!

Who was the first black chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff?
Colin Powell

What former slave was famous for saying “Ain’t I a woman?” in a speech about the differences between the way white women and black women were treated in the 1800’s?
Sojourner Truth

What black professor, born a slave, but freed after the Civil War, was most famous for bringing the all-black Tuskegee Institute to worldwide fame in the late 1800’s and early 1900’s?
Booker T. Washington

Who was the first black female U.S. Senator?
Carol Moseley-Braun
All Grades, Black History Section

What famous black jazz musician was nicknamed “Satchmo” and named the American Ambassador of Jazz?
Louis Armstrong

What black professional boxer became World Heavyweight Champion in 1964 and 1974?
Muhammad Ali

What black blues singer was known as the “Empress of the Blues”? 
Bessie Smith

What black botanist, born a slave, worked at Tuskeegee Institute, and is credited with finding many uses for peanuts, sweet potatoes, and soybeans?
George Washington Carver

Who was the first black man to play major league baseball?
Jackie Robinson

What female teacher at all-black Fisk University became famous, and lost her job, for writing about injustices to black people in the late 1800’s-early 1900’s, then went on to co-found the NAACP?
Ida Wells Barnett

Which black runner won 3 gold medals at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin, Germany, prompting Adolf Hitler to leave the stands rather admit he was wrong in saying that blacks could not win against “Aryans”?
Jesse Owens

What African-American explorer was in the first group of men to stand at the North Pole?
Matthew Henson

What African-American woman became a famous stunt pilot after travelling to France to learn to fly airplanes because nobody in the U.S. would teach her?
Bessie Coleman
What African American businessman rose from humble beginnings to become one of the wealthiest men in American after founding Ebony and Jet magazines?
John H. Johnson

What African American writer, born in 1928, wrote her autobiography in 1970, called “I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings”?
Maya Angelou

What blind musician was credited with inventing “Soul Music”, a combination of gospel and blues?
Ray Charles

Who was the first African American to play tennis for the U.S. Davis Cup team?
Arthur Ashe

What African American surgeon was the first to successfully separate twins who were conjoined at the head?
Dr. Ben Carson

Who is the first African-American U.S. President?
Barak Obama