

2009 AAJA-Chicago Trivia Bowl questions

(Answers below each category.)

CATEGORY: **Chicago and Illinois**

1. What year was Chicago incorporated as a city?
2. According to U.S. Census figures from 2000 to 2007, what was the fastest growing county in Illinois based on population?
3. How many IOC votes did Chicago get in the first round of voting in Copenhagen for the 2016 Olympic games?
4. What is the official state bird of Illinois?
5. How tall was Abraham Lincoln?
6. In 1903, a fire claimed over 600 lives during a theater performance by vaudeville performer Eddie Foy. Name that theater.
7. The average depth of Lake Michigan is 279 feet. How deep is the maximum depth? a) 1,280 feet b) 616 feet c) 420 feet d) 925 feet
8. Name the real estate developer who came up with the "Magnificent Mile" nickname to describe the stretch of Michigan Avenue from the Chicago River to Oak Street.
9. In which state was Al Capone born and in which state did he die?
10. Name the artist who designed the Cloud Gate sculpture which is better known as The Bean.

Answers:

1. 1837
2. KENDALL COUNTY
3. 18
4. CARDINAL
5. 6'4"
6. IROQUOIS THEATER.
7. 925 feet
8. ARTHUR RUBLOFF
9. NEW YORK AND FLORIDA
10. ANISH KAPOOR

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CATEGORY: SPORTS

1. Where did Bears quarterback Jay Cutler attend college and set a number of school football records? Bonus: Did he graduate?
2. Name the 4 players who've started as Bears quarterbacks since 2005.
3. With what team did Harry Caray begin his career as a Major League Baseball broadcaster?
4. What year did the Tribune Co. buy the Cubs and who sold it to them?
5. What is Harry Caray's birth name? a) Carabina b) Costello c) Caravelli d) Budweiser
6. Who is the current team captain of the Chicago Blackhawks?
7. How many points did Michael Jordan score in his highest scoring game as a Chicago Bull and which team was it against?
8. Who are the current team captains of the Chicago Bulls?
9. Who was the manager of the Chicago White Sox during the 1919 Black Sox scandal?
10. In division 8A (the largest), which Illinois high school won the state football championship last season?

Answers:

1. VANDERBILT. YES
2. JAY CUTLER, KYLE ORTON, REX GROSSMAN, BRIAN GRIESE
3. ST. LOUIS CARDINALS
4. WRIGLEY COMPANY
5. CARABINA
6. JONATHAN TOEWS
7. 69 points. Cleveland Cavaliers
8. LUOL DENG, KIRK KINRICH, LINDSAY HUNTER
9. WILLIAM "KID" GLEASON
10. MAINE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL IN PARK RIDGE

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CATEGORY: IN THE NEWS

1. Based on toxins released into the air, water and land, Chicago was recently named by Forbes magazine as one of the nation's most toxic cities. Name the other cities in the top 5.
2. Name all of the Republicans currently in the race for Illinois governor.
3. The Sears Tower officially became the Willis Tower 4 months ago. What line of business is Willis in?
4. According to the new book, "Chicago: A Biography", which shopping strip is the second busiest after North Michigan Avenue?
5. Name the actor who now works in the Obama administration as a liaison, coordinating outreach to Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders?
6. Who is the fashion designer recently hired by United Airlines to create new uniforms for its pilots and flight attendants?
7. Name the two American journalists released by North Korea in August after over 3 months in captivity.
8. Which car company recently introduced the world's first inflatable seatbelts for cars?
9. How many Walmart stores are within the city limits of Chicago?
10. Who is the current president of China?

Answers:

1. ATLANTA, DETROIT, HOUSTON, PHILADELPHIA
2. ADAM ADREZEJEWSKI, BILL BRADY, KIRK DILLARD, ANDY MCKENNA, BOB SCHILLERSTROM, DAN PROFT, JIM RYAN
3. INSURANCE BROKERAGE
4. 26TH STREET IN LITTLE VILLAGE
5. KAL PENN
6. CYNTHIA ROWLEY
7. LAURA LING AND EUNA LEE
8. FORD
9. ONE
10. HU JIN TAO

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CATEGORY: ENTERTAINMENT & POP CULTURE

1. What term did President Obama call Kanye West in an off-camera comment regarding Kanye's interruption of Taylor Swift's speech at the Video Music Awards?
2. How old is Taylor Swift?
3. Who is Whitney Houston's famous godmother?
4. Name the 3 main actors in the Harry Potter movies.
5. Name the doctor who is now under investigation in the death of Michael Jackson.
- 6) Multiple choice! Including the spire, how tall is Chicago's Trump Tower? a) 1,606 feet
b) 1,361 feet c) 1,490 feet d) Blago's hair height x 40,221
7. Who is the popular singer who refuses to answer to her real name Stefani Joanne Angelina Germanotta?
8. Who is the lead singer for Fall Out Boy?
9. Actor Jeremy Piven calls Chicago home but what's his true hometown in this area?
10. Name the actor who played Batman in "The Dark Knight" which was filmed here in Chicago.

Answers:

1. "JACKASS"

2. 19 (20 on December 13, 2009)

3. ARETHA FRANKLIN

4. DANIEL RADCLIFFE, RUBERT GRINT, EMMA WATSON

5. CONRAD MURRAY

6. B. 1,361 feet

7. LADY GAGA

8. PATRICK STUMP

9. EVANSTON

10. CHRISTIAN BALE