

Nichols Middle School General Information Test

Thursday, April 28, 2005

1. If you look across Amherst Street to Delaware Park you should soon be able to see the daffodils that the Middle School planted last October. Roughly how many bulbs did we plant? (200, 2,000, 20,000, 200,000)
2. A herbivore will not have a certain type of teeth that all canines have. What type of tooth is this?
3. An animal with binocular vision is more likely to be a predator or prey?
4. Where was the ancient general Hannibal from? (Rome, Greece, Carthage, Egypt)
5. In what country was recently deceased Pope John Paul II born and raised?
6. What is the area called on the 2nd floor of Regan Hall where the couches are?
7. What MS faculty member has worked at Nichols for the longest period of time?
8. Three states do not change their clocks for day lights savings. Name one.
9. What was Ms. Best's classroom used for in the original building?
10. How long was The Hundred Years War?
11. In what state would you find the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge?
12. What shipping canal connects Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, circumventing Niagara Falls?
13. Who is the lead singer of U2?
14. Nelson Mandela is the former president of which African nation?
15. Where will the 2006 Winter Olympics be held?
16. What do the letters in the cable channel HBO stand for?
17. Which of the following is found in both plant and animal cells? (chlorophyll, mitochondria, or cilia.)
18. Who came up with the theory of natural selection, in his book On the Origin of the Species, in 1859?
19. Which Nichols Varsity team was New York State Independent School Champions this winter?
20. Who wrote the Sixties anthem *Like a Rolling Stone*?
21. What is the anatomical name for the knee?
22. How much does a gallon of water weigh?
23. There are three trees planted near Reagan Hall in honor of three Nichols people. Name one.
24. True or False: "The Princess Who Became King" was performed on a proscenium stage at our school.
25. What is the full title of the J.K. Rowling novel that will be released on July 16?

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26. The harp has how many strings?
27. River Ruffe is what kind of animal? (bird, dog, fish, or insect)
28. What mountain range is known as the Great Divide?
29. What is the metamorphic form of limestone?
30. What park in New York State is considered the Grand Canyon of the East?
31. How many calories are in 1 gram of fat?
32. If you have 1½ pounds of candy and need to divide it equally among 5 people, how much candy does each person get?
33. Name two French speaking areas in North America?
34. The poetic device most evident in the line "held tight to my helium-hopes" is? (personification, rhyme, simile, or alliteration)
35. The word "Francophone" means: (lover of French fries and cell phones, speaker of Frankish, speaker of French, lover of crepes and fondue)
36. The 5th and 6th grade classrooms are in _____ Hall.
37. Name the country in the world with the greatest number of Muslims.
38. What is the secret meeting of cardinals who are choosing the next pope called?
39. Before Europeans were introduced to Arabic numerals, what number system did they use?
40. Name three fifth grade dogs.
41. What day of the year is the "Ides of March"?
42. What did Socrates drink to kill himself?
43. Name two members of the famous rock and roll band the Rolling Stones?
44. Who won the Academy Award for Best Actor in a movie this year?
45. Who won the Academy Award for Best Actress in a movie this year?
46. Was Russia our ally or enemy in WWII?
47. How many Harry Potter books have been published to date?
48. What is the most common operating system on personal computers?
49. The principle, "one should not increase, beyond what is necessary, the number of entities required to explain anything" is known as: (Pavlov's Rule, Occam's razor, Chomsky's Tip, or Camus' Correlation)
50. Everyone's computer has RAM. What does the acronym RAM stand for?