

The Guns of August
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Round 7

1. Just before this battle started, the Russell, Bellona, and Agamemnon all ran aground. Other ships on the attacking side included the Glatton, which was commanded by William Bligh. Apart from the Nyborg and the Aggershuus, both of which sank, the defenders had the advantage of batteries on the island of Amager, and the 66-gun Tre Kroner fortress, as well as the personal presence of Crown Prince Frederick. The decisive moment came when the attacking commander ignored the orders of Admiral Hyde Parker to retreat, resulting in the end of the League of Armed Neutrality through the smashing of the Danish fleet. For ten points, name this 1801 victory for Horatio Nelson, named for the capital in which it was fought.

Answer: Battle of **Copenhagen**

2. It was preceded by the Big Bottom Massacre, as well as the unsuccessful intervention of Arthur St. Clair at the Battle of Wabash. The attacking force had earlier built Fort Recovery, from which they repulsed a siege by Wyandot forces, while the defenders under leaders such as Buckongahelas were seeking to return to the borders of the Fort Stanwix Treaty with the help of British forces stationed at Fort Miami. Instead, they were forced to sign the Treaty of Greenville after the Shawnee under Blue Jacket were soundly defeated by a former Congressman from Georgia. For ten points, name this 1794 victory for “Mad Anthony” Wayne.

Answer: Battle of the **Fallen Timbers**

3. Strategic maneuvers prior to this engagement resulted in the taking of Aornos and an alliance between the attackers and King Taxiles. Important moments in it included a circular cavalry charge by a force under the command of Coenus – and including a young Seleucus Nicator – that led to the encirclement and annihilation of the defending cavalry. Earlier, a diversion by Craterus had allowed the aggressors to make a surprise fording, but the deciding question was whether a phalanx could defeat war elephants – which they could, much to the chagrin of King Porus. For ten points, name this battle of Alexander the Great fought in India on the namesake body of water.

Answer: Battle of the **Hydaspes** River

4. Its first post-independence governor was John Rutledge, more famous for being the first Supreme Court nominee rejected by the Senate. The scene of the Blufton Movement after the passage of the Black Tariff, one famous resident of this state who also served as Governor negotiated the Treaty of San Lorenzo, a 1795 agreement with Spain that is sometimes named for him. Its former Senator Robert Rhett was instrumental in drafting the Confederate Constitution, while its future governor George McDuffie popularized the Forty Bale theory during Governor Robert Hayne’s opposition to the Tariff of Abominations. For ten points, name this southern state, home to nullification.

Answer: **South Carolina**

5. Philip Kearny became the first American to receive the Legion of Honor due to his participation in this battle, where he served with the Imperial Guards. On one side, an army corps under Lajos Benedek became separated from the main body, but successfully held their ground at Pozzolengo. That main body, which suffered the opposite fate, had previously been under the command of Count Gyulai, but he had been replaced by his empire’s head of state, much as the French forces were led by Napoleon III. Resulting in the Peace of Villafranca and the transfer of Lombardy to Sardinia, this is, for ten points, what battle between Austria and a nascent Italy, where the carnage was so great it inspired the foundation of the Red Cross.

Answer: **Solferino**

6. Credit for this term is usually given to the intelligence officer Arthur Conolly. Events during it include the massacre of an army led by William Elphinstone, which had earlier failed to keep Shuja Shah in power. Tensions rose when the oasis of Merv was captured during the Panjdeh Incident, when Sher Ali accepted a diplomatic mission from one of the nations involved, and when General Mikhail Chernyayev acted against his orders and successfully captured Tashkent, sparking fears that the Bear may be able to threaten Afghanistan and thus India. For ten points, name this term given to the rivalry between Great Britain and Russia for control of Central Asia.

Answer: The **Great Game**

7. Water was supplied to this city in part by an aqueduct at the nearby town of Jerwan. It is believed to be the source of a statue of Ishtar sent to Ahmenhetep III by the King of the Mitanni Empire. Its city walls were interrupted by the Khosr River, as well as by gates named for the gods Nergal, Adad, and Shamash. The eighty-room "Palace Without Rival" was built here after it replaced Nimrud as the Imperial capital, and Nabopolassar was one of the commanders who destroyed it, as predicted by Nahum, Zephaniah, and Jonah. For ten points, name this final capital of the Assyrian Empire.

Answer: **Nineveh**

8. Forces under his command executed a British citizen in the Benton Affair, and his general staff included such foreigners as the Swedish Ivor Thord-Gray and the Ukrainian-American Sam Dreben. While fighting for the *constitucionalista* cause, he won victories at the Battles of Tierra Blanca, Gomez Palacio, and Torreon, but his greatest victory came at Zacatecas, where he destroyed the money supply of President Huerta. However, after he broke with President Carranza, he was soundly defeated by Alvaro Obregon at the Battle of Celaya, forcing him on to desperate measures such as raiding Columbus, New Mexico. For ten points, name this figure of the Mexican Revolution, whose last name sounds like a type of residence.

Answer: Pancho **Villa**

9. After it, the goals of Operation Mo were attempted through the Kokoda Track campaign and the Battle of Milne Bay. Just prior to it, one side, eyeing potential bases on Gavutu and Tanambogo, invaded and occupied Tulagi, which would be the first target attacked. Early victims among Admiral Fletcher's forces included the oil tanker USS Neosho and its destroyer escort, the USS Sims, while Admiral Takagi lost the mini carrier Shoho. Severe damage was done to the larger carrier Shokaku, and the USS Lexington exploded. Still, Port Moorsby was saved from invasion, even though neither naval force saw the other. For ten points, name this first aircraft carrier battle of World War Two, named for the body of water in which it was fought.

Answer: Battle of the **Coral Sea**

10. It sparked a sermon entitled "On the Beauties of Liberty" by John Allen, a pastor at the Second Baptist Church, which was widely disseminated. The tragically named Governor Wanton issued a reward of one hundred pounds for the capture of the perpetrators, who were led by Abraham Whipple, while Captain John Linzee offered the survivors shelter on board the Beaver. He's not to be confused with Benjamin Lindsay, the captain of the sloop Hannah, whose attempts to evade paying customs indirectly led to it. The resulting Royal Commission of Inquiry, outside of local jurisdiction, was attacked as a British kangaroo court by Whigs who demanded a trial in Rhode Island. For ten points, name this 1772 incident in which a British warship was burned by angry patriots.

Answer: **Gaspee** Incident

11. The 1568 Edict of Turda guaranteed freedom of worship to five branches of Christianity in this territory. One of its Calvinist rulers signed the Peace of Nikolsburg and was the brother-in-law of Gustavus Adolphus. Apart from Gabriel Bethlen, another one of its rulers became King of Poland in 1575. The battles of Piski and Orsova were victories by the Polish general Jozef Bem, who led a rebellion here in 1848. Ethnic minorities in this region include the Szeklers, who believe themselves to be descended from the Huns, as well as Saxon Germans, who traditionally lived in seven fortified cities. Incorporated into Austria in 1711, after World War One it passed to Romania, though Hungary occupied it during World War Two. For ten points, name this historical region, which was not actually home to Count Dracula.

Answer: **Transylvania**

12. Knowing that his horsemen were inferior, the defending commander is rumored to have instructed his cavalry to flee at the beginning of this battle, with the hope that the enemy cavalry would pursue and thus not participate in the main battle. At the onset of the battle, the attacking infantry broke out of, and then back into, the manipular formation in order to avoid a mounted charge, then defeated the first two defending lines of Gauls, Ligurians, and Lybians, and engaged in a melee with the final line of veterans, which ended in the defenders annihilation when the attacking cavalry returned under the command of Masinissa, King of the Numidians. Demonstrating that loud noises and intentional gaps could neutralize war elephants, this is, FTP, what final battle of the Second Punic War?

Answer: Battle of **Zama**

13. This polity sent the general Mu Ying to conquer the the land of Bai Yi, and using the murder of its vassal Chen Tian-ping as a pretext it annexed the Annam province and held it until a successful rebellion was launched by Le Loi. In order to enforce the *hai jin*, it waged the Wokou Wars against coastal populations that were illegally trading with Japan. The general Yuan Chonghuan won two battles of Ningyuan to repel its invasion by Nurhaci, though these descendents of the Hongwu Emperor had less luck against his descendants. They may be best remembered the expeditions of Zheng He. For ten points, name this Chinese dynasty that followed the Yuan and preceded the Qing.

Answer: **Ming** Dynasty

14. Ninety percent of this man's army was wiped out at the Battle of Montgisard, one of his rare defeats, but he rebounded to a victory in the subsequent Battle of Jacob's Ford, after which he besieged Kerak. Earlier, he had seized the territory of as-Salih Ismail after coming to power upon the death of his former superior Nur ad-Din. He signed the Treaty of Ramla, which concluded his conflict with an invading army. The siege of Tiberias preceded a victory at which he set fire to underbrush, captured Guy of Lusignan, defeated Raymond of Tripoli, and annihilated the Crusaders massed at Hattin. For ten points, name this first ruler of the Ayyubid Dynasty, the rival of Richard the Lionheart in the Third Crusade.

Answer: **Saladin** [accept: **Yusuf Ayyubi**, **Salahuddin** Al-Ayyubi]

15. The majority opinion overrode parts of the Akron and Thornburgh cases dealing with the requirement to disclose certain truthful information and cited the Danforth case in striking down one of the provisions in question, while the dissenting opinion rejected a body of precedent including Meyer v. Nebraska and Perice v. Society of Sisters. The respondent had reached his position by defeating Bob Scranton but for his views was blocked from speaking at the Democratic Convention that nominated Bill Clinton. Featuring the emergence of a centrist bloc led by Robert Souter and upholding mandatory waiting periods and informed consent but striking down spousal consent, this is, for ten points, what 1992 Supreme Court Case that restricted, but did not overturn, Roe v. Wade?

Answer: **Planned Parenthood** of Southeastern Pennsylvania v. **Casey**