

QUIZ! QUIZ! QUIZ!

How much do you know about the history of the AMS? Not that much? Well, it doesn't matter--you're bound to do well on this quiz anyway.

1. The SRA was: (a) the Symbionese Revolutionary Army; (b) the Shotgun and Rifle Association; (c) the Scottish Republican Army; (d) the Student Representative Assembly, the name of the AMS Student Council between 1976 and 1980.
2. Sherwood Lett was: (a) the first AMS President at UBC; (b) a chancellor of UBC; (c) Chief Justice of British Columbia; (d) the husband of Evelyn Lett; (e) all of the above.
3. Leonard S. Klinck was: (a) a character on *Hogan's Heroes*; (b) the first head of UBC Parking and Security; (c) the inventor of the jail; (d) the second president of UBC.
4. The Great Trek was: (a) a 1937 Maoist military maneuver; (b) a 1923 Rudolph Valentino movie; (c) the 1922 march of UBC students demanding the construction of the current campus; (d) an early science fiction show by Gene Roddenberry.
5. Before moving onto the current campus, UBC operated (a) in Victoria College; (b) on the ferries between Victoria and Vancouver; (c) in buildings at 10th and Oak, near the current site of the Vancouver General Hospital; (d) in the hearts and minds of right-thinking students everywhere.
6. Mamooks was: (a) the sequel to *Nanook of the North*; (b) a club for actors who had performed in *Mame*; (c) a rare tropical disease eradicated by UBC scientists; (d) a poster and sign-painting club active at UBC in the 1940s and later and responsible for announcing student activities.
7. In 1968, at the urging of U.S. radical leader Jerry Rubin, thousands of UBC students occupied (a) the North Parkade; (b) the clock tower; (c) the outdoor swimming pool; (d) the old Faculty Club (now Sage Bistro).
8. Human Government was (a) a 1980's disco band; (b) Alexander Dubcek's slogan in Czechoslovakia in 1968; (c) a novel jointly written by Balzac and Dante; (d) a left-wing AMS slate that swept the Executive elections in 1971 but then resigned en masse after losing a non-confidence referendum.
9. The first female president of the AMS was: (a) Evelyn Lett; (b) Janice Boyle; (c) Norah Coy; (d) Kim Campbell. [This is a toughie.]

10. The *AMS Insider*, the guide for new students, has previously been known as:
(a) *Inside UBC*; (b) *Insight*; (c) *Tuum Est*; (d) *Tillicum*; (e) *Student Handbook*; (f) all of the above.
11. *Bird Calls* was: (a) the old UBC Nature Club; (b) the sponsor of the Lady Godiva Ride; (c) a 1933 Bing Crosby recording; (d) the old Student Telephone Directory.
12. UBC first opened its doors in (a) 1915; (b) 1925; (c) 1950; (d) 1867.
13. In its first academic session, the number of students attending UBC was approximately (a) 40,000; (b) 4,000; (c) 400; (d) 40.
14. Before UBC opened, students could take university-transfer courses at a Vancouver college affiliated with (a) Harvard; (b) Oxford; (c) University of Toronto; (d) McGill.
15. Attempts have been made to get quorum at general meetings by (a) holding a free rock concert as part of the meeting; (b) making the meeting part of the Welcome Back BBQ; (c) holding the meeting in the SUB cafeteria at lunchtime; (d) all of the above.
16. Brock Hall, the former Student Union Building, was named after (a) CFL football player Dieter Brock; (b) Isaac Brock, the hero of the Battle of Queenston Heights in 1812; (c) baseball star Lou Brock; (d) Engineering Dean Reginald Brock and his wife, who died in a plane crash in 1935.
17. The Literary and Scientific Department was: (a) a code name for an illegal drug; (b) a column in the *Ubysey*; (c) a predecessor of SAC; (d) the old name for the UBC Senate.
18. The "Back Mac" campaign was: (a) a promotion for McDonald's; (b) an attempt to unionize truck drivers; (c) a computer virus attacking only PC's; (d) a 1963 student campaign asking the government to provide the funding requested by UBC President John Macdonald.
19. Before the name "Thunderbirds" was finally chosen in 1934, what name almost became the one given to UBC sports teams, because it won the first student-wide vote on the issue? (a) Grizzlies; (b) Prowlers; (c) Sea-Gulls; (d) Musqueams.
20. The Yell King was: (a) an early TV series set in Australia; (b) a 1950's rock and roll star; (c) a Swiss chalet; (d) an AMS official in the 1920's responsible for promoting school spirit and organizing demonstrations.

21. David Suzuki is: (a) a well-known environmentalist; (b) a former UBC professor; (c) the host of CBC's "The Nature of Things"; (d) the person who named the Pit Pub; (e) all of the above.
22. The current (and soon to be replaced) Student Union Building opened on September 26 in: (a) 1978; (b) 1968; (c) 1958; (d) 1948.
23. In 1924, Student Council passed motions forbidding students to: (a) talk in the library; (b) loiter in the halls; (c) gamble at cards; (d) write on the walls; (e) all of the above.
24. The Feldhaus Case was: (a) a White House scandal; (b) a type of backpack; (c) John Grisham's first novel; (d) a legal action challenging the right of student societies to collect fees from students.
25. "Alma Mater Society" is: (a) the name of only one other student society in the country; (b) a term that makes most people think of the alumni; (c) the former name of the Students' Society of McGill University; (d) a term that dates back to before UBC opened; (e) all of the above.
26. In 1975, the election for one member of the AMS executive ended in a tie. The winner was then decided on by: (a) rerunning the election; (b) letting Student Council choose between the two tied candidates; (c) letting the AMS President choose; (d) having the Elections Officer cast a deciding vote; (e) tossing a coin.
27. In March 1999, the only surviving member of the first AMS Student Council at UBC died at the age of 102. This person, who helped draft the first AMS constitution, in 1915, was: (a) Frank Wesbrook; (b) Freddy Wood; (c) Walter Gage; (d) Walter Koerner; (e) Irving K. Barber; (f) Evelyn Lett.
28. Before the recent U-Pass referendums, the AMS referendum in which the Yes side won the most votes was (a) in 1982, when students were asked to vote in favour of increasing the AMS fee by \$20; (b) in 1984, when students were asked to vote to join the Canadian Federation of Students; (c) in 1987, when students were asked to vote to ban the sale of products from South Africa because of apartheid; (d) in 1996, when students were asked to vote to establish the Evelyn Lett childcare bursary fund; (e) in 1970, when students were asked to make the AMS fee voluntary.
29. The Great Trekker Award (a) is given by the AMS to a worthy UBC graduate; (b) once had the name James T. Kirk engraved on it thanks to the Engineers; (c) has been won by Pierre Berton, John Turner, and Evelyn Lett; (d) was first awarded in 1950; (e) was not awarded for many years in the 1970's; (f) all of the above.

30. Which member of AMS Council later had a bridge named after him? (a) Sydney Brooklyn; (b) Lion Gates; (c) Second Narrows; (d) Arthur Laing.
31. James Sinclair, an AMS Council member in 1927-28, later became the grandfather of (a) Bob Rae; (b) Stephen Harper; (c) Justin Trudeau; (d) Thomas Mulcair; (e) all of the above.
32. On December 7, 2004, (a) the AMS celebrated the 63rd anniversary of the sneak attack on Pearl Harbor; (b) Council voted to leave CASA; (c) the Executive fired the General Manager; (d) Council reinstated the General Manager.
33. CUS, NUS, NFCUS, and AOSC are: (a) rare strains of flu; (b) past Canadian student federations; (c) former Canadian political parties; (d) former degree programs at UBC.
34. Two AMS politicians have gone on to become Prime Minister of Canada: (a) John A. Macdonald and Wilfrid Laurier; (b) Paul Martin and Stephen Harper; (c) Lester B. Pearson and John Diefenbaker; (d) Pierre Trudeau and Brian Mulroney; (e) John Turner and Kim Campbell.

ANSWERS

1. (d)
2. (e)
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4. (c) Klinck went the longest time without having a building named after him, unlike all other past presidents.
5. (c)
6. (d)
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9. (c) Norah Coy way back in 1917-18 (wartime, with a lot of the men away); not another until 1951 (and only after the sitting president resigned). Evelyn Lett lost the presidential election the year before Norah Coy won it; by one vote, she told me. Janice Boyle was president much later, in the 90's.
10. (f)
11. (d)
12. (a) 1915; 1925 the current campus opened; UBC somehow celebrated its centenary in 2008 (because in 1908 the legislature passed a law stating there should be a provincial university).
13. (c)
14. (d) McGill University College of British Columbia or McGill BC.
15. (d) Welcome Back BBQ worked once; when it was tried a second time, Student Court ruled the meeting invalid.
16. (d)
17. (c)
18. (d) It also led to the college system in BC and the opening of SFU.
19. (c) The *Ubysey*, which conducted the first vote, didn't like the result (Sea-Gulls), so in the finest tradition of democracy refused to accept it and held another one. This was back when the AMS ran the *Ubysey* and also ran athletics, even Varsity athletics, not just intramurals.
20. (d)
21. (e) While a UBC prof, Suzuki wrote an article calling for a pub on campus, and he ended up as a faculty rep on an AMS committee looking into this; the minutes record him as suggesting that the proposed pub be called the Pit.
22. (b)
23. (e)
24. (d) An attack on mandatory student fees, dismissed in court but only jurisdictional grounds, not on its merits; the BC courts have never ruled on the merits of mandatory membership in student societies.
25. (e) The only other AMS is at Queen's, and we indirectly get our name from them. McGill copied them, we copied McGill, McGill changed its name, we kept ours.
26. (e) Before Condorcet, a coin toss was even specified as the way to break ties in AMS Code.

27. (f) Wesbrook: First UBC president; Freddy Wood, early UBC English prof specializing in theatre and founder of the Players Club; Gage: a UBC president in the 70's; Koerner and Barber: UBC benefactors.
28. (a) **6,625 students voted yes (2175 said no)**; (b) only 851 voted yes to CFS; 4,177 said no; (c) only 1356 said yes to banning South African stuff; 1951 said no; (d) only 5173 said yes to child care; (e) only 2859 said yes to voluntary fee; 5489 said no.
29. (f)
30. (d) Art Laing, on Council 1924-25, representing Agriculture.
31. (c) James Sinclair's daughter, Margaret (Maggie) Sinclair, married Pierre Trudeau on March 4, 1971; Justin was born on Christmas Day, 1971. James Sinclair was an MP in the 1940's and a federal cabinet minister in the 1950's.
32. (c) Bernie Peets was fired by the Executive on Pearl Harbor Day (Dec. 7, 2004) and reinstated by Council at an emergency meeting 10 days later.
33. (b)
34. (e) Turner was on Student Council in the 1940's and became prime minister for a few months in 1984 after Pierre Trudeau; Campbell was on Council in the 1960's, winning election with the slogan "Kim is cuddlier," and was prime minister for a few months in 1993 after Brian Mulroney.