



## **ANA Quiz Contest-2012**

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*ANA Convention-2012 brings this most popular educational program in association with the Nepalese Society, Texas (NST). NST's quiz coordinating team-2012 will be conducting the contest and it will try its best to make it as fair as possible; making it an interesting and competitive educational event.*

*We, the ANA team and the NST Team, believe that our children will benefit from the contest especially in the field of time management, leadership role, analytical thinking, public speaking and general knowledge they need to prosper.*

*Questions with answers in the format (mm/dd/yy) will not be asked where as specific date, month and year may be asked separately depending upon their importance.*

### **Contest structure:**

*Each team will have only 5 members. There will be only 2 sessions (Pre-Final and Final). We will hold the pre-final the first day and the final will be held on another day. The final session will have 5 teams only.*

*In each session (Pre-final and Final), we will have the following rounds of questions:*

- 1. General-** Time allowed 50 Sec, carries 5 points, it can be passed to all remaining teams.
- 2. Multiple-** Time allowed 45 Sec, carries 3 points, can be passed to only one team.
- 3. Audio-visual-** Time allowed 45 sec, carries 3 points, can be passed to two teams.
- 4. Rapid-Fire:** 5 questions (two points each) to be answered in 50 sec. You may get partial points.

**\* All passed question will have only 25 sec to answer.**

*The computer will select the team randomly for both, new questions and passing turn. There will not be any manual intervention while selecting teams and/or questions. By the end each team will get equal number of questions from each round.*



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Our best effort will be to prepare the question bank from the following syllabus as far as practicable however questions may appear from other areas as well. With being said that, we would like reiterate that we cannot set a closed boundary for a Quiz contest.

## Quiz Syllabus

### A. World Geography, History & Politics:

- **The world geography:** *Be familiar with the location of countries. We may ask like if Iraq is east to Iran or West to it and so on. You will be required to identify the missing country in the displayed atlas. Please be familiar with the top 3 mountains, lakes, river, forests (jungle) & oceans in the world. You are required to know basic facts about these world famous natural items. The question may be like "If Brazil is a part of Amazon Basin or not". Please be familiar with top 3 cities & countries (by area & by population) in the world.*
- **World famous architectures:** *Be familiar with the world famous bridges, buildings, towers, Palaces, castles, and other historic architectures. Some examples under this topic may be London's Tower Bridge, Akashi Kaikyō Bridge (Japan), Leaning Tower of Pisa, Buckingham Palace, Taj Mahal, Angkor Wat Temple, Ka'bah, Mount Rushmore, and etc.*
- **World History & Politics:** *Be familiar with the major historic & political events. Basic info in reference to the following is expected to be acquired:*
  - WWI: Also learn about the major players (politicians, army, country)
  - Nepalese Gurkha: Major wars they fought and their bravery
  - WWII: Also learn about the major players (politicians, army, country)
  - Pearl Harbor attack on US land
  - Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombing
  - Korean War: Also learn about the major players (politicians, army, country)
  - Vietnam War: Also learn about the major players (politicians, army, country)
  - Cold War (USA and USSR) and fall of Berlin Wall
  - United Nations
  - First Moon Landing
  - Civil Rights movement in USA



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- Biggest natural disasters like Thai Tsunami

Be familiar with some basics biography of the following people from the history.

- Napoleon
  - Hitler and his Nazi party
  - Pol Pot and his Khmer Rouge Regime
  - Joseph Stalin
  - Mao Zedong
  - Carl Marx
  - Vladimir Lenin
  - Abraham Lincoln
  - Mahatma Gandhi
  - Nelson Mandela
  - Mother Teresa
- **USA Specific:** Be familiar with the major historic & political events of the USA. Some examples are Civil War Movement, Water Gate scandal, Assassination of JFK, MLK, First Landing on Moon, 9/11 attack, European settlement (including Mayflower), Mexican war and Alamo battle.

*You may be asked to identify the images displayed and where they are located at. Examples for audio-visual may be major man-made structures and natural landscapes and/or major structures like Grand Canyon, Golden Gate Bridge, Gateway Arch, Mt. Rushmore, etc.*

*There may be few audio-visual rounds based on which you will need to know who they are and what they are/were famous for. The range of personalities will include celebrities, popular political icons and social workers. Some famous personalities may include JFK, Lyndon B Johnson, MLK, Abraham Lincoln, Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan, George Bush, and Barak Obama. You may see some questions based on unique record of past US presidents like the oldest, youngest, etc.*

## **B. Nepal: Geography, History, Politics & Culture/Religion**

The goal to include specific Nepal section is to educate our participants about our root and at the same time we want to test their knowledge about our origin.



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- **Geography:** *Be familiar with the general geography of Nepal. Basic facts about major cities like Kathmandu, Pokhara, Nepalgunj, Narayan Gadh (including Chitwan as a whole), Birgunj, Janakpur, Biratnagar. You may be asked their location in Nepal's map. Be familiar with Nepal's location in Asian map. Be familiar with some level of details on record making geographically important locations and structures like: Mt Everest & Rara Lake.*
  
- **Famous buildings and other architectures:** *You may be asked why they are famous and which city they are located in. You may be required to identify the objects in the audio-visual clips.*
  - Hanuman Dhoka
  - Singha Durbar
  - Narayan Hiti Museum
  - Manakamana Temple and the cable car
  - Soyambhu nath
  - Pashupati
  - Barah Chhetra
  - Mukti Nath
  - Swarga Dwari
  - Ram Janaki Temple
  
- **Major historic events/milestones:** *You are expected to learn basics about the following events:*
  - SAARC & UN: Formation and members with respect to Nepal
  - Last Royal massacre and last king of Nepal: Basic info required
  - Past Peace treaty with Maoist Insurgents
  - New National anthem (some level of details like composer, musician, singer)
  
- **Political figures:** *You are expected to learn basics about the following events and political figures:*
  - King Prithvi Narayan Shah: His basic biography and invasion of Kathmandu valley
  - Jung Bahadur Rana: His basic biography
  - Rana dynasty: First, last and major players during the time
  - Last king of Nepal: Basic info required



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- BP Koirala: His basic biography
  - GP Koirala: His basic biography
  - First President: His basic biography
  - Prachanda (Pushpa Kamal Dahal): His basic biography
  - Baburam Bhattarai: His basic biography
  - Jhala Nath Khanal: His basic biography
- **Culture/Religion:** *Some basic translation of English words into Nepali and vice-versa, major festivals of popular ethnic groups (Tharu, Rai, Gurung, Newar). You may be asked to recognize the ethnic group with their typical costumes. National Flag, national bird*

*Info about major festivals like Dashain, Tihar, Shiva Ratri, Holi is expected to have. Why we celebrate it and what the story behind it is. Basic questions will be asked from Mahabharat and Ramayana. This may include questions like relationship between Krishna and Arjuna, etc.*

## C. Science and Technology:

### ●Basic Physical Science:

*This section will cover some questions on science which you have studied in your middle/high school grades. Example may be the chemical formula of water, meaning of  $M$  in famous equation of relativity,  $E=MC^2$ . This section also includes basic plant and animal science. Also be familiar with the following:*

- *Basics of Human body*
- *Atomic number and symbols of elements in Periodic table (Metals, halogen, inert gas)*
- *Also learn symbols and atomic numbers of some elements up to 50 atomic numbers. This may/may not include above topics (Metals, halogen, inert gas)*

### ●Solar System & Galaxy

- *Facts about all planets of our solar system, do not try to memorize the measures coz no measures will be asked. But try to know their atmosphere like if they are filled with hydrogen or lithium, etc.*
- *Learn basic facts of our galaxy*
- *Learn about Hubble telescope and other telescopes that NASA uses currently.*



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## •Some greatest scientists of the world

*This topic may cover Newton, Einstein, Galileo, Volta, Marconi, Michael Faraday, Archimedes, Louis Pasteur & Stephen Hawking. Please be familiar with their renowned books as well.*

## •NASA

- *Achievements so far, you should remember their years as well.*
- *Try to know about their current projects like, Mars mission, Saturn mission, Jupiter.*
- *Try to go thru their all space shuttles like Challenger, Discovery.*
- *Name of the scientists that landed on Moon or mars. What year they are going to mars, etc.*
- *Info about the International Space Station*

## •Major Tech Discoveries

*Learn some basic facts about these discoveries and some terminology (words) used in this technology like what HTTP stands for, etc.*

*Info on discovery of the following:*

- *Internet*
- *GPS*
- *CT Scan*
- *X-Ray*
- *Television*
- *Phone*
- *Electricity and electric bulb*
- *Atom bomb (nuclear fission and fusion reactions)*
- *Refrigerator and air conditioning: also how it works*
- *Hexa decimal and binary system of computer (basic info, including the discovery)*

## •Info on major diseases: Reason, symptoms, cure

- *Cancer*
- *Brain Tumor*
- *Diabetes*
- *Heart Attack*
- *What is bone marrow and how it is done*
- *Stroke*



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- *HIV/Aids*
- *Viral and bacterial deceases: Major differences*

### **D. Sports and Entertainment: Please be familiar with the following**

- *Olympics (summer): History; focus on immediate past and future (where and when)*
- *FIFA World Cup: Immediate past and future, including famous players*
- *NFL and NBA: Immediate past and future, including famous players*
- *Cricket: Famous past and present players and last world cup*
- *Legendary players: some level of detail about Pele, Maradona, Tiger Woods, Sachin Tendulkar*
- *Hollywood, Nepal and Bollywood: All time famous stars, movies, singers & directors*
- *Oscar, Golden globe, Grammy: Details on most recent ones only*

### **E. Language, Literature & Art:**

- **Nepal**

- *All time famous books in Nepali language like Muna Madan, Siris Ko Phool, Gouri, Pagal Basti, etc will be covered.*
- *Similarly all-time famous and recent popular writers of the Neplaese language will also be covered.*

- **World**

- *All time famous books in English language will be covered.*
- *Similarly basics biography of old era writers like Shakespeare, Leo Tolstoy, Tulasi Das to modern writers Hellen Keller, Rabindra Nath Taigore will also be covered.*
- *Word famous arts like Mona Lisa and their creators will be included in the question bank.*

**F. Current Affairs:** *Latest happenings & news from around the world, recent major uprising in past two years that changed the government, one example is Egypt.*

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## Further Info on Quiz Contest:

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