Question Sheet



Player copy • Write your answers. The small Q references match the article.

01 Q1
How many starters lined up for the Buffalo Thanksgiving race in 1896?

02 Q4
What kind of vehicle caused the 1899 Buffalo team's disqualification?

03 Q7
Who entered the Buffalo race in 1972 and finished 142nd of 169?

04 Q21
Who wrote The Old Oaken Bucket, printed inside a 1903 Thanksgiving menu?

05 Q26
What is removed when people dance the parched rice in the park's account?

06 Q28
What grain does the personified character John Barleycorn represent?

07 Q29
What is the two-word scientific name of the American cranberry?

08 Q32
Into what vitamin can the body convert carotene from orange winter squash?

Matching Answer Key



Host copy • Match each number to the player sheet before awarding points.

01 Six

Q1 The original field could have fit around a single dining table. The YMCA identifies six participants in that first race.

02 A wagon

Q4 Officials found that a team member had covered part of the race by riding. A result can turn on how the distance was covered.

03 Mary Ann Bolles

Q7 The YMCA identifies Bolles as the first woman to enter its Turkey Trot. Both the event and the scope matter here.

04 Samuel Woodworth

Q21 The poem complemented the well and bucket on the cover. A printed menu could be a literary keepsake as well as a bill of fare.

05 The hulls

Q26 Loosening the coverings prepares the material for winnowing. The sequence separates the edible grain from lighter matter.

06 Barley

Q28 Some harvest songs dramatize growing and processing grain by treating it as the life story of a character.

07 Vaccinium macrocarpon

Q29 The Latin name distinguishes this plant from other plants called cranberry. For spoken play, accept a recognizable pronunciation.

08 Vitamin A

Q32 The orange pigment offers a clue to this nutritional question. Several types of winter squash can provide it.

Quick Questions and Answers



Read a question aloud, pause for guesses, then share the printed answer.

01 Q9 **On which space station did three American astronauts spend Thanksgiving in 1973?**

Answer: Skylab

02 Q10 **Which two Skylab astronauts took a Thanksgiving Day spacewalk in 1973?**

Answer: Edward Gibson and William Pogue

03 Q11 **How did the Skylab crew make up for missing lunch on Thanksgiving 1973?**

Answer: They ate two meals at dinner

04 Q34 **Which U.S. Navy ship hosted Roosevelt's Thanksgiving meal on his 1936 trip?**

Answer: USS Indianapolis

05 Q35 **Which nuts flavored the stuffing in the White House's 1942 Thanksgiving turkey?**

Answer: Chestnuts

06 Q36 **Which Georgia city hosted the Eisenhowers' Thanksgiving golf visit in 1953?**

Answer: Augusta

Cut-Out Trivia Cards



Cut on dashed borders. Fold each answer strip back before passing the cards.

CARD 01 / ARTICLE Q3

What was the original race distance in miles?

FOLD BACK / ANSWER

Five miles

CARD 02 / ARTICLE Q27

What was Johnny Appleseed's actual name?

FOLD BACK / ANSWER

John Chapman

CARD 03 / ARTICLE Q31

Which genus contains true yams, as distinct from sweet potatoes?

FOLD BACK / ANSWER

Dioscorea

CARD 04 / ARTICLE Q40

What was the name of the turkey Barack Obama spared in 2009?

FOLD BACK / ANSWER

Courage