

Lewiston History Mysteries

Lewiston Brain Teasers How well do you do?

1. How many feet above sea level is Center Street in Lewiston? (Hint: the brink of Niagara Falls is 508 ft. above sea level.)

- a. 2,912
b. 762
c. 360
d. 35



2. For the volume of water carried per mile, what is the largest river in the world?
a. Amazon c. Mississippi
b. Nile d. Niagara

4. What was the name of the Native American nation that came to the rescue of Lewiston citizens in 1813 when the British invaded and burned Lewiston to the ground?

- a. Cayuga c. Oneida
b. Mohawk d. Tuscarora



3. The first major battle of the War of 1812 was fought here and the Americans suffered a humiliating defeat against the British-Canadians. What was the name of the battle?
a. Brock's Battle
b. The Battle of Queenston Heights
c. The Battle of Lewiston Heights
d. The Battle of the Lower Niagara

5. What was the name of Lewiston's first supermarket? (Hint: It was located where Dollar General is today.)

- a. Tops c. Loblaws
b. A&P d. Bells



6. In 1825, Lewiston had the finest hotel in the United States west of the Hudson. What was it called?

- a. The Western Hotel
b. Borderland Inn
c. Frontier Hotel
d. Frontier House

7. Legend says the "cocktail" was invented in Lewiston. What was the name of the tavern (no longer standing) where it was invented that stood at 8th & Center Streets?

- a. Betty Flanagan's c. Martini's
b. Hustler's d. Tryon's Folly



8. What language did Lewiston's first European settlers speak in the early 1700s?

- a. French c. Dutch
b. English d. Danish

9. What is the name of the tall sailing ship in Lewiston that takes passengers on historic river cruises on summer weekends?

- a. Empire Sandy
b. Mayflower II
c. Black Pearl
d. Niagara Breeze



10. What is the name of the new bronze monument on the river that honors the Underground Railroad?

- a. Tubman's Tunnel c. Freedom Crossing
b. Lockport & Hamilton d. Bridge Across the Water

11. In 1842, John Fleming came from Ireland and settled in Lewiston. He built a tannery on Seneca Street, and then later built what building on Center Street that was used as a general store? He called it his "retirement" business.

- a. Orange Cat Cafe c. DiCamillo's Bakery
b. Apple Granny d. First Niagara Bank

12. The newly renovated Lewiston Museum was built in 1835 and used to be a church. Where is it located?

- a. 469 Onondaga St.
b. 469 Plain St.
c. 469 Niagara St.
d. 469 Ridge St.

(Give yourself a bonus point if you've visited the Museum.)



Answers: 1.c, 2.d, 3.b, 4.d, 5.c, 6.d, 7.b, 8.a, 9.c, 10.c, 11.d, 12.b

How did you do?

1-4 right: You're a visitor. Welcome to Lewiston. We love having you!
5-9 right: Pretty good, neighbor! You must have worked up an appetite!
10-12 right: Time to quit your day job and become a tour guide!

Bonus Question!

What's the best age to get your eyes checked?

- a. 0-24 c. 25-59
b. 60-100 d. all of the above



Getting your eyes checked is always the right answer! Call for an appointment today.

Dr. Kevin D. Komm, O.D.

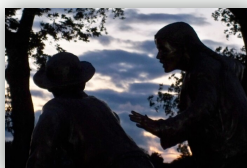
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Home of Freedom Crossing