

Arts and Humanities Answers

(Name of the database from where the answer(s) came is listed in bold)

1. Using the Gale databases, find a literary criticism of a Langston Hughes poem and list the author of the criticism.

Answer: *Langston Hughes's Queer Blues*. Martin Joseph Ponce. *Modern Language Quarterly*. 66.4 (Dec. 2005) p505. Word Count: 12246. **Literature Resource Center**.

2. NoveList Plus is a great database for compiling books on a particular subject, as well as suggesting reading material based on student's interest. In addition, it will suggest other books the reader may like. Search for *Catching Fire* and list another book they recommend.

Example: *Pretties* by Scott Westerfeld, **NoveList Plus**

3. In fiction, invented worlds which are perfect are called utopias; invented worlds which are particularly bad or oppressive are called dystopias. Can you list three (3) dystopic novels?

Answer: *Hunger Games Trilogy*, **Novelist**

4. What Maine author(s) have won a National Book Foundation Award?

Answer: Stephen King, **Maine Newsstand**

5. Laurie Halse Anderson wrote the award winning novel *Speak*. She also authored a piece of historical fiction set in Philadelphia. What is that book's title and subject matter?

Answer: *Fever, 1793*, **Novelist**

6. The TWAYNE authors series database has good overviews of hundreds of writers. Please cite an entry which summarizes the varied literary style of Edgar Allan Poe.

Answer: *The Problem of Poe*. Edgar Allan Poe. Vincent Buranelli. *Twayne's United States Authors Series 4*. Boston: **Twayne**, 1977. P.19-21. Word Count: 952.

7. List the novels in the *Discworld* series in order.

Answer: Pratchett, Terry. "*Discworld*." (2009): **Novelist Plus**. EBSCO.Web. 8 June 2011.

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8. The Literary Reference Center is the place to go for reviews, criticism and plot summaries of thousands of novels, short stories, plays and poems. Can you cite a review of *Of Mice and Men*?

Answer: Owens, Louis, and Harold Bloom. "*Of Mice and Men: The Dream of Commitment.*" *Bloom's Modern Critical Views: John Steinbeck* (1987): 145-149. **Literary Reference Center.** EBSCO. Web. 8 June 2011.

9. April break is always around the 18th of April. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow explains why it is an important date in one of his poems. Which poem?

Answer: *Midnight Ride of Paul Revere*, **OneSearch**

10. What was Mark Twain's bestselling book in his lifetime?

Answer: *Huckleberry Finn*, **Twaynes**

11. MARVEL has sub categories listed on the left hand column. Using the databases listed under "History" find the complete text of the Emancipation Proclamation.

Answer: Abraham Lincoln "*Emancipation Proclamation.*" *Annals of American History.*
<<http://www.america.eb.com.prxy1.ursus.maine.edu/america/article?articleId=386136&query=Emancipation+Proclamation>>

[Accessed June 8, 2011].

12. The United States has had trouble with Libya in the past, find an overview of the Barbary Wars.

Answer: "*Barbary Wars.*" *Encyclopædia Britannica. Encyclopædia Britannica Online*, 2011. Web. 08 Jun. 2011.

<<http://www.britannica.com.prxy1.ursus.maine.edu/EBchecked/topic/890842/Barbary-Wars>>.

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13. Some databases contain audio files of important speeches. Can you find President John F. Kennedy's inaugural address and cite it?

Answer: John F. Kennedy "*Inaugural Address.*" *Annals of American History.*

<http://www.america.eb.com.prxy1.ursus.maine.edu/america/article?articleId=387340&query=ohn+kennedy+innaugral>

[Accessed June 8, 2011].

14. Cuneiform was an early writing system in the ancient Middle East. Can you find an image of what this actually looked like?

Answer: Mesopotamia. Photograph. *Encyclopedia Britannica.* Web. 8 June 2011.

<http://school.eb.com.prxy1.ursus.maine.edu/eb/art-97513>.

15. Jose Canseco and Curt Schilling testified before congress on steroid use in Major League Baseball. Where can you find the text of their testimony?

Answer: José Canseco and Curt Schilling "*Steroid Use in Major League Baseball,*" *Annals of American History.*

<http://www.america.eb.com.prxy1.ursus.maine.edu/america/article?articleId=438285&query=schilling+canseco>

[Accessed June 8, 2011].

16. "Stand firm ye boys from Maine" is both a quote and the title of a book about what Civil War battle?

Answer: *Gettysburg*, **OneSearch**

17. Where can you watch a clip of the first televised presidential debate?

Answer: Kennedy Nixon Debate, **Britannica**

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18. The Declaration of Independence is often quoted. Using the “**Annals of American History**” database, find the complete text and answer this question with the first seven words of the document. (*teacher tip: to more easily navigate this site and the thousands of original source documents, consult 2 page guide:*

Answer:

http://corporate.britannica.com.prxy2.ursus.maine.edu/annals_guided_tour.pdf) When, in the course of human events

19. Zeus is the ruler of the Greek gods. Who is his Roman counterpart?

Answer: Jupiter, **Student Research Center**

20. A play by a Maine actor/author didn't do so well on Broadway, but according to the *Bangor Daily News*, is among the most often produced plays in high schools. What is it?

Answer: Almost Maine, **Maine Newsstand**

21. Drawing on walls is a long standing artistic expression. Can you find photos of early man's cave paintings?

Answer: Cave Painting article in **Britannica High School Edition**

22. One of the most famous 20th century paintings by a Maine artist is *Christina's World*. Who painted it?

Answer: Andrew Wyeth, **Maine Newsstand**

23. A Maine born director won four (4) Oscars beginning in 1932. Surprisingly none of them were for westerns. Who was he?

Answer: John Ford, **Almanac**

24. Fauvism was a distinct style of painting. Find an encyclopedia overview of this style.

Answer: **Britannica**

25. R.B. Hall was a Mainer who made music. What kind?

Answer: Band music, **Maine Newsstand**

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26. People say a picture is worth a thousand words. You can do image searches in most databases. Find and cite a photograph of Andy Warhol?

Answer: **Student Research Center**

27. *Nosferatu* was the precursor to countless vampire flicks. Who directed it, and in what year?

Answer: 1922, directed by F. W. Murnau, Article, **Student Research Center**