



Current Events Quiz August, 2013

1. The Rim Fire threatened 250 square miles in and surrounding what California national park?
ANSWER: YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK
2. The USPS released a stamp commemorating the 50th anniversary of the "March on" what city?
ANSWER: WASHINGTON, DC OR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OR DC
3. After the defection of the "Catholic 7," the former Big East Conference adopted what new patriotic name?
ANSWER: AMERICAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
4. What nationally prominent Black mayor of Newark won the Democratic senatorial primary in New Jersey?
ANSWER: CORY BOOKER
5. What Lee Daniels film telling the story of Cecil Gaines grossed more than \$50 million in its 1st 10 days?
ANSWER: THE BUTLER
6. Senator Ted Cruz of Texas renounced his citizenship of what "C" country where he was born?
ANSWER: CANADA
7. What oil-rich kingdom pledged it would make up cash aid to Egypt if Western nations were to stop giving it?
ANSWER: SAUDI ARABIA
8. What Georgia congressman published the graphic novel, "March: Book One," recounting his fight for racial justice?
ANSWER: JOHN LEWIS
9. A feud with CBS led what cable company to black it out in New York, LA, and Dallas?
ANSWER: TIME WARNER
10. The CIA declassified Area 51 in what state, saying that it was a test facility for spy planes?
ANSWER: NEVADA
11. Along with Van Jones, what Georgia Republican and former House Speaker is joining CNN's revamped "Cross Fire"?
ANSWER: NEWT GINGRICH
12. Amazon founder Jeff Bezos is spending \$250 million to acquire what newspaper?
ANSWER: THE WASHINGTON POST
13. US officials declared: "There is very little doubt" that forces in [____] used a chemical weapon on civilians.
ANSWER: SYRIA
14. Fans mourned the death at age 29 of what "Friday Night Lights," "The Famous Jett Jackson," and "Rizzoli & Isles" actor?
ANSWER: LEE THOMPSON YOUNG
15. Which key gay MLK advisor was posthumously awarded the Medal of Freedom?
ANSWER: BAYARD RUSTIN