



# QUIZBOWL FACT OF THE DAY 2009

**Since June 2009, ACE Quizbowl Camp has been posting a daily Quizbowl Fact of the Day (QB FOD) on Twitter. Below, you'll find all of the QB FODs from 2009.**

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QB FOD-The Paiute chief Wovoka (AKA Jack Wilson) was the founder of the Ghost Dance Movement

QB FOD-This site does a good job explaining the Stern-Gerlach Experiment.  
<http://is.gd/5ERlt>

QB FOD- Max Wertheimer, Kurt Koffka, & Wolfgang Kohler were leading exponents of the Gestalt school of psychology

QB FOD-Herbert Hoover defeated former NY Governor Al Smith (1st Catholic to run on major party ticket) in 1928 pres. election

QB FOD-C.C. Moore wrote "A Visit From St. Nicolas"; 1st published in the Troy (NY) Sentinel; some scholars credit it to Henry Livingston

QB FOD-Thomas Eagleton was VP cand. w/Dem. George McGovern in '72 until he was removed from ticket for a history of mental illness

QB FOD- Ionesco's "Rhinoceros" features the characters Jean the grocer, Berenger, Daisy Dutard, and Boeuf

QB FOD-Freedom Rides; response to Supreme Court's ruling in Boynton v. Virginia; sponsored by CORE (led by James Farmer)

QB FOD- Duarte Peak is the highest point on Hispaniola.



QB FOD-Henry II, 1st Plantagenet, son of Empress Matilda, married Eleanor of Aquitaine, called for the assassination of Thomas a Becket

QB FOD-Charles DeGaulle wrote "The Army of the Future"

QB FOD-Graph Theory: "The Traveling Salesman Problem", most efficient way to visit X cities (solved by WR Hamilton)

QB FOD-Jules Verne's "Around the World in 80 Days": Phileas Fogg travels w/ valet Passepartout to win wager made at the Reform Club

QB FOD-The Galilean Moons of Jupiter (Io, Europa, & Ganymede) orbit in a Laplace Resonance <http://bit.ly/6WYWCo>

QB FOD-Read Jorge Luis Borges' "The Library of Babel" (published in "Garden of the Forking Paths") here: <http://bit.ly/KTa6J>

QB FOD-Renaissance artist Giorgio Vasari wrote "The Lives of the Artists" <http://bit.ly/78A3E9>

QB FOD-"Surrealism"; term coined by poet Appolonaire, movement's manifesto written by Andre Breton.

QB FOD-Happy Hanukkah! The Talmud is made up of the Mishnah (oral law) & the Gemara (rabbinical commentary on Mishnah)

QB FOD-Mexican author Octavio Paz wrote an adaptation of Hawthorne's short story "Rappaccini's Daughter"

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QB FOD-IN 1848, Whig Zachary Taylor defeated Free Soil Martin Van Buren & Dem Lewis Cass

QB FOD-Katherine Anne Porter's "Pale Horse, Pale Rider" is based on her childhood experiences with The Spanish Flu of 1918

QB FOD-The Appalachian trail stretches from Springer Mountain (GA) to Mt. Katahdin (ME)

QB FOD-The Exner System is used to score the Rorschach Test

QB FOD-Kula Ring: Gift-giving ceremony in the Trobriand Islands studied by Bronislaw Malinowski. <http://bit.ly/8RxdbW>

QB FOD-St. Bartholomew's Day Massacre (1572) instigated by Catharine d'Medici; response to assassination attempt against Gaspard de Coligny



QB FOD- The Torres Strait separates Australia from Papua New Guinea

QB FOD-Euler solved the Seven Bridges of Konigsberg problem in 1735;  
<http://bit.ly/hPTz1>

QB FOD-Wilson's Disease is a genetic disorder that manifests in excessive copper accumulation in the liver.

QB FOD-Bab el Mandeb is a strait that connects the Red Sea to the Gulf of Aden & the Arabian Sea; means "Gate of Tears"

QB FOD-Pedro de Aviles founded St. Augustine (1st Perm. Spanish colony in N.America)&conquered Ft. Caroline (present day Jacksonville)

QB FOD-Amino Acids: formed by Strecker Synthesis, examples include aspartic acid, glycine, alanine, contain a carboxylic acid & amine group

QB FOD-Donald Johanson discovered "Lucy" (Australopithicus afarensis) in the Afar Depression in Ethiopia; Lucy originally called "Dinkenesh"

QB FOD-Machu Picchu = Quechua (Language of Inca) for "Old Mountain"; discovered in 1911 by Hiram Bingham (professor & later Sen/Gov from CT)

QB FOD- The Han Dynasty (206BC-220AD) was founded by Liu Bang and was briefly interrupted by the rule of Wang Mang; Replaced by Wei Dynasty

QB FOD - Psychologist Albert Bandura studied social learning of aggressive behavior with the Bobo Doll Experiment

QB FOD-The Copperheads were a group of Northern Democrats who opposed the US Civil War; leading figure was Clement Valladigham

QB FOD- Ozone (triatomic oxygen) was first discovered by CF Schonbein. Its levels are measured in Dobson units.

QB FOD-Michael Harrington's "The Other America" inspired LBJ's "War on Poverty"/"Great Society"

QB FOD-Bekker Numbers are used to catalog the works of Aristotle. Stephanus Pagination is the system used for the works of Plato

QB FOD- Mauryan emperor Ashoka converted to Buddhism after fighting the bloody Kalinga War

QB FOD-Steinbeck's "Cannery Row"; Ch: Doc(marine biologist), Mack, Hazel& Eddie;set in sardine cannery in Monterey, CA & Bear Flag Restaurant



QB FOD-Goldbach's Conjecture: Every even number greater than 2 can be expressed as the sum of 2 prime numbers

QB FOD-Cnidaria, the phylum that contains jellyfish and corals, is characterized by nematocytes or "nettle cells" that sting prey

QB FOD-Mrs. Danvers is the housekeeper at Manderly for Maxim DeWinter in Daphne DuMaurier's "Rebecca"

QB FOD-John Humphrey Noyes founded the Oneida Community (1848) based on the ideas of "Perfectionism" & "free love"

QB FOD-Nernst Equation calculates reduction potential of a half-cell  
<http://bit.ly/1NGYPN>

QB FOD-Virginia Woolf's "To the Lighthouse": Ramsay family visits summer home on the Isle of Skye in Scotland's Hebrides archipelago

QB FOD-Claude Levi Strauss died this week; wrote" Structural Anthropology", "Savage Mind", "Mythologiques", "The Raw & the Cooked"(about Brazil)

QB FOD-Babington & Ridolfi = plots to kill Elizabeth I. Both uncovered by Francis Walsingham.

QB FOD-Churchill wrote "The White Paper" clarifying Britain's view of Palestine as expressed in the "Balfour Declaration"

QB FOD-Palk Strait separates Sri Lanka from India

QB FOD-Mpemba Effect: Warm water freezes faster than cold water

QB FOD-National Epics: Martin Fiero-Argentina,Lusiads-Portugal, Kalevala-Finland, Mabinogion-Wales, Song of Roland-France, Ramakien-Thailand

QB FOD-A. Phillip Randolph led the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters. He convinced FDR to issue Exec Order 8802(deseg of war contractors)

QB FOD-Tollens Reagent is used to determine the difference between a ketone and an aldehyde; it is usually ammoniacal silver nitrate

QB FOD-Gilgamesh; King of Uruk, son of Lugalbanda, meets up with Enkidu, Siduri, Utnapishtim (flood survivor),& Scorpion Man; fought Humbaba

QB FOD-Ibsen's "Hedda Gabler" steals manuscript from husband Tesman's rival Lovborg & gets him to commit suicide. Judge Brack finds out.



QB FOD - Akimisi and Charlton are two islands in James Bay (southern arm of Hudson Bay).

QB FOD-Short Stories in Joyce's "Dubliners": "Ivy Day in the Committee Room", "A Painful Case", "Araby", "The Dead", "After the Race", "Eveline"

Thanks to Matt on Facebook for reminding me that Schumann also wrote a Papillon (though his was a piano suite not a ballet). Be careful!

QB FOD-Offenbach' "Orpheus in the Underworld" contains the "Can-Can"; Also composed "Tales of Hoffmann", "Papillon"

QB FOD-Sydney Opera House; designed by Jorn Utzon; sits on Bennelong Point which juts into the Farm Cove section of Sydney Harbour

QB FOD-Shays' Rebellion (1786, Massachusetts) started with a meeting at Conkey's Tavern; Rebellion put down by Benjamin Lincoln

QB FOD-Gibbs Free Energy=(Enthalpy - (Temperature\*Entropy)); Gibbs also=(-Ideal Gas Constant\* ln (Equilibrium Constant))

QB FOD-Yellow Turban; 184AD rebellion of farmers against Han Emperor Lingdi; led by Zhang Jiao; opening scene of "Romance of 3 Kingdoms"

QB FOD-Nickel; discovered by Cronstedt; ores garnierite & pentlandite; isolated by Mond Process

QB FOD-Webster Ashburton Treaty(1841) ended US-Brit tensions brought about by Caroline Affair(1837) & Aroostook War (Maine-New Bruns border)

QB FOD- Theodore Seuss Geisel was editorial cartoonist for socialist magazine "PM" during WWII & won an Oscar for doc "Design for Death"

QB FOD-"Remains of the Day" Ishiguro novel. Brit butler Stevens reflects on failed relationship w/Ms. Kenton; Darlington & Faraday also ch.

QB FOD-"The Open Society & Its Enemies" by Karl Popper is divided into 2 volumes: vol 1 attacks Plato, vol 2 Hegel & Marx

QB FOD-Here are some websites about Berlioz's "Symphonie Fantastique"  
<http://bit.ly/4aual6> / <http://bit.ly/SeK6V> / <http://bit.ly/Zh5oZ> 4:14 PM Oct 10th from web

QB FOD-Phobos, largest moon of Mars, disc. by Asaph Hall. Contains Stickney Crater (named after Hall's wife); hypothesized to be hollow

QB FOD-Romanian Herta Muller wins 09 Nobel Prize in Literature. Critical of Ceausescu "Land of the Green Plums" "Nadirs" "The Appointment"



QB FOD-Carl Jung coined "introvert" & "extrovert"; discussed "archetypes" & "Collective Unconscious", wrote "Red Book" & "Man & His Symbols"

QB FOD-"As You Like It"; Characters: Touchstone, Rosalind, Jacques, Orlando, Oliver, Setting: Forest of Arden, Synopsis:  
<http://bit.ly/13bZEB>

QB FOD-Sardinia, Tirso River, Baratz Lake, Gennargento Mountains, separated from Corsica by the Strait of Bonifacio

QB FOD- REVOLUTION!! Rose Revolution-Georgia, Orange Revolution-Ukraine, White Revolution-Iran

QB FOD-Malabbo Pool=on the Congo River

QB FOD-Jane Austen's "Persuasion"; characters - Cpt. Wentworth, Anne Elliot, Mary & Charles Musgrove, Sophia Croft

QB FOD-"Bridge of San Luis Rey"; Peruvian bridge collapses killing 5 (Marquesa, Pepita, Esteban, Uncle Pio, Jaime) Brother Juniper investigates

QB FOD-Why is the sky dark? Olber's Paradox <http://bit.ly/14iHIk>

QB FOD- Wagner opera featuring a knight, Venus, a sexually explicit song and the Pope? Tannhauser!

QB FOD-Frederick Douglass was first US ambassador to Haiti

QB FOD-"The Imaginary Invalid": Argan is hypochondriac, doctors cheat him, he plays dead to see which Drs are truthful; ch. Angelique & Cleante

QB FOD-Tuscon is the largest present day city in the Gadsden Purchase (1853)

QB FOD-The Hall Effect <http://bit.ly/Gu8oC>

QB FOD-Operation Sea Lion=Battle of Britain; Operation Castor=Dien Bien Phu; Operation Bluehearts=Inchon Landing

QB FOD- Fermat's Last Theorem: scribbled in the margins of Diophantus' "Arithmetica" More info here <http://bit.ly/A2d1T>

QB FOD-2 novels set in New Orleans: Percy's "The Moviegoer" (ch. Binx Bolling) & JK Toole's "Confederacy of Dunces" (ch. Ignatius J. Riley)

QB FOD-Poetic Meter: Anapest(UUS), Dactyl(SUU), Trochee(SU), Spondee(SS), Iamb(US); U=Unstressed Syllable, S=Stressed  
<http://bit.ly/174Qvf>



QB FOD-Battle of Adowa: 1896 Ethiopia (Menelik II) defeats Italy (Baratieri); resulted in Treaty of Addis Ababa

QB FOD-Erskine Caldwell-wrote You Have Seen Their Faces with photographer/wife Margaret Bourke-White; Tobacco Road, Kneel to the Rising Sun

QB FOD-Turing Machine...VIDEO!! It's a bit amateurish, but you won't miss the Turing Machine tossup again <http://bit.ly/J8KWw>

QB FOD-Suleiman: wife=Roxelana; captured Belgrade (1521)& won the Battle of Mohacs (1526,defeated Louis II of Hungary), lost Siege of Vienna

QB FOD-"Fear&Trembling" Kierkegaard (as J Silencio) work discussing Abraham's sacrifice of Isaac. Sections: Knight of Faith & 3 "Problemata"

QB FOD-The Flynn Effect is the average rise of IQ scores over time

QB FOD-Photographers: Jacob Riis, How the Other Half lives/tenement life; Dorothea Lange-Migrant Mother/depression&dust bowl

QB FOD-Before Samuel Tilden lost the controversial Election of 1876 to Rutherford B. Hayes, he broke up the "Canal Ring"

QB FOD- Galen was the personal physician of Marcus Aurelius (Stoic & author of "Meditations")

QB FOD - Henry is the SI unit of inductance; Farad is the SI unit of capacitance

QB FOD-Andrew Wyeth ("Helga" paintings & "Christina's World") lived both in Cushing, ME & Chads Ford, PA

QB FOD-New Britain, New Ireland, & Admiralty Islands are all part of Bismark Islands off coast of New Guinea

QB FOD-Edward Thorndike (Law of Effect) & BF Skinner were practitioners of operant conditioning (use of consequences to modify behavior)

QB FOD- Gericault's "Raft of the Medusa" (<http://bit.ly/17JtSK>) is based on a real story. This website (<http://bit.ly/ZO1iC>) explains it all

QB FOD-Menes (aka Narmer): united upper & lower Egypt, founded Memphis, killed by a hippo (at least according to Egyptian historian Manetho)

QB FOD-"Autocrat of the Breakfast Table" by OW Holmes, Sr.; collection of essays 1st published in Atlantic Monthly; set in NE Boarding House



QB FOD- Vega & Thuban both used to be the pole star; Polaris (current pole star) is a cepheid variable.

QB FOD-Mildred Montag, Mrs. Bowles, Cpt. Beatty, Guy Montag, Mechanical Hound = characters in Fahrenheit 451

QB FOD-I was going to explain Titius-Bode Law but realized it wasn't going to happen in 140 characters; <http://bit.ly/BwexD> = good website

QB FOD- Ouachita Mts (OK), St. Francois Mts (MO) & Boston Mts (AR) are subranges of the Ozark Mts; Ozark means "toward the arches"

QB FOD - "The Persistence of Memory": Background cliffs=Cape Creus in the Pyrenees; Dali inspired by Camembert cheese; <http://bit.ly/16VYfx>

QB FOD-Battle of Red Cliffs (AD 208) Han Dyn. defeated by Cao Cao; brings about the 3 Kingdoms Period; Battle in "Romance of the 3 Kingdoms"

QB FOD-IM Pei buildings: Mile High Center, JFK Library, Rock & Roll HOF, NASCAR HOF, Christian Science Center in Boston, John Hancock Bldng

QB FOD- Plato's "Crito" is a dialogue between an imprisoned Socrates & wealthy Crito. Crito offers to help him escape, but Socrates refuses

QB FOD-Moore's Law: "the number of transistors on a chip doubles every 24 months.", or technology advances exponentially-<http://bit.ly/S6OkN>

QB FOD-John K. Galbraith served as JFK's Abassador to India; wrote "The Affluent Society" & "The New Industrial State"

QB FOD-"Bland Allison Act" - 1878 act passed over Hayes' veto required a 16:1 ratio of Ag to Au in \$\$ supply; reaction to the "Crime of 73"

QB FOD: Keplers 3 Laws of Plan. Motion, explained by Carl Sagan; <http://bit.ly/1yodjB> (a bit boring, but you'll never miss this bonus again)

QB FOD-"Song of Roland"; Chanson de Geste about Roland, knight of Charlemagne @ the Battle of Roncevaux Pass; Ganleon is another character

QB FOD-Erik Erikson; 8 stages of psychosocial development, coined ID conflict, wrote psychobiographies "Young Man Luther" & "Gandhi's Truth"

QB FOD-Warren Harding had an affair (and allegedly fathered a child) with Nan Britton while he was president.

QB FOD-Dostoyevsky's Idiot: ch. Pr. Myshkin, Nastasya Filippovna, Rogozhin, Aglaya, Yepanchin; love triangle plot at a "name day" party



QB FOD-Verdi opera based on a V.Hugo play; ch. include Gilda (Rig's daughter), Duke of Mantua, & Sparafucile (assassin); "La Donna e Mobile"

QB FOD-US River Cities: Jackson-Pearl, Portland-Williamette, Indianapolis-White, Phoenix-Salt, D/FW-Trinity, Boston-Charles

QB FOD-John B. Watson (behaviorism) worked with Rosalyn Raynor to conduct the "Little Albert" Experiment.

QB FOD - "Rebecca" by Daphne DuMaurier is set at Manderlay. Characters include Mrs. Danvers and Mr. Maxim DeWinter.

QB FOD-Duke Bluebeard's Castle, Opera by Hungarian Bela Bartok: Bluebeard brings home new wife Judith who finds 7 mysterious locked doors.

QB FOD - Hooke's Law: the extension of a spring is directly proportional to its load; For more information... <http://bit.ly/FpvGo> Enjoy!!

QB FOD- Russo Japanese War(1904-05) Bat: Mukden, Port Arthur, Tsushima. Russia lost & gave up Sakhalin Island. Ended by Treaty of Portsmouth

QB FOD - Manet's "Luncheon on the Grass" is one of those paintings that comes up ALL THE TIME. Take a look at it here: <http://bit.ly/Kocp0>

QB FOD-Mars has two moons, Phobos & Deimos, both discovered by Asaph Hall

QB FOD-Magic Mountain (T. Mann);Hans Castorp goes to visit cous. Joachim in TB Sanatorium in Davos, Switz; CH. include Settembrini & Cauchat

QB FOD-Ben Harrison (1889-1893)-Sherman Antitrust Act, McKinley Tariff, Billion \$ Congress; from IN, fought in Civil War Bat of Kennesaw Mt.

QB FOD-Hanging Gardens of Babylon, built by Nedbuchadnezzar II for wife Amytis, but some scholars now say Sennacherib built them in Ninevah

QB FOD-Works by pamphleteer Thomas Paine, "The Age of Reason", "Rights of Man", "Common Sense", "The (American) Crisis", "Agrarian Justice"

QB FOD-Old names for cities:Atlanta (Terminus & Marthasville), Jakarta (Batavia), Toronto (York), Jacksonville (Cowford), Chicago (Dearborn)

QB FOD - SC Cases: Engel v. Vitale (school prayer); Baker v. Carr(reapportionment/"1 man 1 vote"); Bakke v. California (affirmative action)



QB FOD-Photographers: Dorothea Lange ("Migrant Mother" & other depression pics); Ansel Adams (Group f/64, western nature photos (Yosemite))

QB FOD is back after Milligan!! - Lake Titicaca (Bolivia/Peru border) is divided into two parts by the Strait of Tiquina

QB FOD-Sun Yat Sen was educated in Hawaii, founded the Kuomintang, helped overthrow the Qing, and wrote "3 Principles of the People"

QB FOD 4th of July Ed.-Unc Sam created by JM Flagg; Statue of Lib des. by Bartholdi (framework des. by Eiffel); Mt Rushmore des. by Borglum

QB FOD-The valve between the left atrium and left ventricle is the bicuspid aka mitral valve; the tricuspid is b/w the RA & RV

QB FOD-"3rd of May, 1808"; Goya painting protesting Napoleon's invasion of Spain (Peninsular War). See it: [www.artmuseums.com/thirdofmay.jpg](http://www.artmuseums.com/thirdofmay.jpg)

QB FOD-Buckminsterfullerene (C60 or "buckyball") was discovered at Rice University (Houston) by Robert Curl, Harold Kroto & Richard Smalley

QB FOD-"Tender is the Night", Psychologist Dick Diver and wife Nicole vacation in French Riviera. Title from Keats' Ode to a Nightingale

QB FOD - American rebellions: Bacon's-VA, Shays'-MA, Dorr's-RI, Coode's-MD, Paxton-PA, Leisler's-NY, Stono-SC, Whiskey-PA, Regulator-NC

QB FOD - Beethoven's only opera, Fidelio is set in a prison and contains the characters Rocco, Pizarro, Florestan, and Leonore.

QB FOD - "Walden Two" and "Beyond Freedom and Dignity" are two works written by Behaviorist B.F. Skinner.

QB FOD - Peter the Great put down the Streltsy Uprising and Catherine the Great put down Pugachev's Rebellion

QB FOD - The Bayer process turns bauxite (ore of aluminum) into alumina and the Hall-Herault process converts alumina into aluminum

QB FOD - 4 characters, Garcin, Ines, Estelle, and Valet = Sartre's "No Exit"; He also wrote "Nausea", "Being and Nothingness" & "The Flies"

QB FOD - Fragonard ("The Swing") & Watteau ("Embarkation for Cythera") were leading painters of the Rococo.

QB FOD - "Pendentive" = Triangular supports for a dome on a square base. Best seen at the Hagia Sophia.



QB FOD- John Hay, TR's Sec of State (open door policy) was Lincoln's personal secretary.

QB FOD Spanish lesson- Las Vegas="The Meadows", Alamo="Cottonwood", Alcatraz="Pelican"

QB FOD live from Zion NP in Utah! The Virgin River runs through Zion NP. The park also contains the Patriarch Mts (Abraham, Isaac & Jacob)

QB FOD - Wayne Morse (OR) & Ernest Gruening (AK) were the only two to vote against the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution (1964)

QB FOD- Ansel Adams broke his nose in the SF earthquake of 1906.

