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Part I: General Knowledge

The Modern Olympic Movement and the Politics of Sport

(1 point each)

1. Budapest withdrew its bid for the 2024 Games after residents forced a referendum and Krakow's bid failed with 70% of voters opposed. Such actions are becoming common, but are not new. When _____ was awarded the _____ Olympics, meant as a celebration of the U.S. bicentennial, significant public pressure led to the Games eventually being held elsewhere.

A. Washington D.C.; 1972 Summer	C. Boston; 1976 Summer
B. Squaw Valley; 1972 Winter	D. Denver; 1976 Winter

2. A jury of appeals for FIBA rejected the U.S. team's protest of their 51-50 defeat in the men's basketball finals at the _____. In a statement some interpreted as showing anti-American bias, R. William Jones, FIBA's secretary general, told the media: "The Americans have to learn how to lose, even if they think they are right."

A. Mexico City Games	C. Montreal Games
B. Barcelona Games	D. Munich Games

3. Amateur Black athletes formed the Olympic Project for Human Rights (OPHR), to organize a boycott of the Mexico City Olympic Games. The OPHR had four central demands: restore Muhammad Ali's heavyweight boxing title, remove _____ as head of the IOC, hire more Black coaches, and disinvite South Africa and Rhodesia from the Olympics.

A. Juan Antonio Samaranch	C. Avery Brundage
B. Theodore Lewald	D. Lord Killanin

4. On the night of August 20, 1968, nearly 200,000 Warsaw Pact troops invaded _____ in the largest deployment of military forces in Europe since the end of World War II.

A. Hungary	C. Afghanistan
B. Czechoslovakia	D. East Germany

5. The organizing committee for the 1916 Olympic Games thought that World War I would be over before the Games and continued to plan for the Olympics. In March 1915, the committee announced that everything was moving forward, but that only neutral nations or those allied with the Central Powers would be invited to the host city of _____.

- A. Budapest
- B. Innsbruck
- C. Berlin
- D. Rome

6. The _____ began on June 16, 1976 as a protest, by mostly students, against the white minority government's demand that the Afrikaans language be used in high schools. It is estimated that the government's response resulted in as many as 700 people, many of them children, being killed.

- A. Soweto Uprising
- B. June Democratic Uprising
- C. Free Tibet Movement
- D. Conflict in Darfur

7. In 1904, organizer James Sullivan smugly concluded that his _____ were proof that "the savage has been a very much overrated man from an athletic point of view," but others labeled them a demeaning and racist sideshow. For his part, Olympics founder Pierre de Coubertin called the event an "outrageous charade."

- A. Anthropology Days
- B. Cultural Olympiad
- C. Nordic Games
- D. POW Olympics

- Founded in 1971 to assassinate Jordan's King Hussein
- Assassinated Jordan's Prime Minister Wasfi al-Tel in 1971
- Implicated in hijacking of an Israeli-bound Belgian flight in 1972
- Killed three and injured over 50 at Athens airport in 1973

8. All of the above describe _____.

- A. Bread Not Circuses
- B. Front de Liberation
- C. Black September
- D. Terra Lliure

9. In July 2016, the U.S. Olympic Committee rescinded _____ bid to host the 2024 Olympic Games after the mayor said his city's taxpayers could not afford to host the large-scale event.

- A. Chicago's
- B. Portland's
- C. Boston's
- D. Los Angeles's

10. In 1958, when the Ciba Pharmaceutical Company released _____, U.S. team physician Dr. John Ziegler began experimentation with the new drug. After several of the weightlifters with whom Ziegler was working achieved success, news spread by word of mouth to other sports.
- A. HGH
B. EPO
- C. Dianabol
D. Creatine
11. The first excavations of Olympia began in 1829 with a French expedition. The great _____ excavations of 1875–78, led by Ernst Curtius, revealed the outline of a great sanctuary for the first time. Large-scale work was resumed by archaeologists of the same nation in 1936, one of the chief aims being the excavation of the original stadium.
- A. Greek
B. British
- C. Italian
D. German
12. The _____ added to the already heightened Cold War tensions occurring between the times of the U.S.-led boycott of the Moscow Games and in the Soviet-led boycott of the Los Angeles games.
- A. Suez Crisis
B. Korean Air Lines flight 007 disaster
- C. Tlatelolco Massacre
D. U-2 Spy Incident
13. The headquarters of the International Olympic Committee are located in _____. An Olympic Museum, surrounded by a public park, opened there in 1993.
- A. Paris, France
B. Olympia, Greece
- C. Athens, Greece
D. Lausanne, Switzerland
14. After Vince Matthews and Wayne Collett _____, both were barred from competing in the 400 meter relay at the 1972 Summer Games despite winning gold and silver in the 400 meter individual run.
- A. gave Black Power salutes from the medal podium
B. acted in an informal manner during the national anthem
C. were the first teammates to test positive for steroids
D. colluded to try and cross the finish line at the same time

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| I. | The Olympic flame was lit at the site of the Games for the first time |
| II. | The Olympic oath was taken for the first time during the Opening Ceremony |
| III. | The Olympic flag with its iconic rings was created for the Olympic Jubilee Congress |
| IV. | The first official Olympic mascot was introduced |

15. Select the answer that puts the items listed above in the correct chronological order.
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| A. | III, II, I, IV | C. | I, III, II, IV |
| B. | II, I, IV, III | D. | III, IV, I, II |
16. _____ went into history as the “Peace Angel of Helsinki.” Her failed attempt to combine the Opening Ceremony of the 1952 Games with an appeal for peace prompted the IOC to explicitly forbid any form of demonstration or propaganda within Olympic sites.
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| A. | Norma Henriqueta Basilio | C. | Cathy Freeman |
| B. | Vera Čáslavská | D. | Barbara Rotraut Pleyer |
17. Rule 50 of the Olympic Charter states that “No kind of demonstration or political, religious, or _____ propaganda is permitted in any Olympic sites, venues, or other areas.”
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| A. | national | C. | racial |
| B. | commercial | D. | personal |
18. The gold medal for literature was awarded to Georges Hohrod and M. Eschbach for the work “Ode to Sport” in 1912. In reality, the poem was written by Pierre de Coubertin and the pseudonyms were taken from _____.
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| A. | the maiden names of his grandmothers |
| B. | the founders of the European Sporting Federation |
| C. | villages near his wife’s birthplace |
| D. | German translations for “honor” and “achievement” |
19. Captain Wolfgang Fürstner was in charge of _____ for the 1936 Summer Games. Upon learning that he would be dismissed from the military due to his Jewish heritage, he committed suicide three days after the completion of the Games.
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| A. | construction of the Olympiastadion | C. | security and policing |
| B. | hosting foreign dignitaries | D. | organizing the Olympic Village |

20. Despite hitting his head on the diving board and needing to receive stitches, _____ became the first man to win back-to-back Olympic golds in both springboard and platform diving. Years later, he also revealed that he had been diagnosed with HIV six months before the 1988 Games.
- A. Michael Johnson
B. Carl Lewis
C. Greg Louganis
D. Mark Spitz

Part II: Primary Source Material

***ROME 1960: The Olympics that Changed the World*, by David Maraniss**

(2 points each)

21. After an early high school career as a runner, Herb Elliot briefly abandoned the sport until he started a comeback under the brilliant, _____; a sixty three year-old, goateed, vegetarian whom was kicked out of the Olympic Village in Rome.
- A. Neil Allen
B. Corder Nelson
C. Tex Maule
D. Percy Cerutti
22. Soviet coach, Yuri Litovov, criticized the U.S. team with one of the worst insults in the world of sports when he claimed that the U.S. team members were chokers. He specifically called out _____ saying, "Here I see a different man, one I do not recognize. He is tense and runs as if he is tied up."
- A. Dave Sime
B. Ray Norton
C. John Thomas
D. Rafer Johnson
23. Lee Calhoun received an indefinite suspension of his amateur status for appearing on the NBC television show *Bride and Groom*. In 1958, his suspension was cut to one year after Midwestern chapters of the Amateur Athletic Union threatened to _____.
- A. withhold contributions to the national headquarters
B. not send any athletes to the U.S. trials
C. join the rival U.S. Independent Track and Field Association
D. appeal the case to the U.S. Olympic committee
24. The Communist press had begun a relentless attack on the _____ accusing it and its allies of manipulating the Olympics for political advantage. *Izvestia* went so far as to accuse it of "provocation, blackmail, roguery, and underground activity against athletes from socialist countries."
- A. Central Intelligence Agency
B. Roman Catholic Church
C. International Olympic Committee
D. U.S. State Department

25. The 1968 Summer Games on ABC used the most extensive satellite coverage to date, introduced slow-motion replay, color pictures, and went a long way in establishing _____ as the voice and face of the Olympics.

- A. Howard Cosell
- B. Dick Ebersol
- C. Bob Costas
- D. Jim McKay

“she was depressed and lonely at first, especially when she had to watch her brothers and sisters run off to school while she stayed home...She felt rejected...and would close her eyes ‘and just drift off into a sinking feeling, going down, down, down.’ Soon her loneliness turned to anger...and she started fighting back, determined to beat the illness.”

26. The excerpt above refers to which of the following individuals?

- A. Earlene Brown
- B. Heriwentha “Mae” Faggs
- C. Lucinda Williams
- D. Wilma Rudolph

27. Even though it was a matter of Olympic courtesy, the U.S. and USSR maintained a defiant tradition of not _____.

- A. saluting the Olympic flag before medal ceremonies
- B. dipping the flag when passing the reviewing stand
- C. sending the head of state to Opening Ceremonies
- D. incorporating the host countries colors into team uniforms

28. Immediately after the Olympics in Rome, the President’s Committee on Information Activities Abroad reached the conclusion that _____ had gained propaganda benefits that needed to be counteracted.

- A. Nikita Khrushchev’s remarks
- B. China’s Olympic boycott
- C. KGB-run media outlets
- D. Soviet sporting victories

29. A U.S. observer in Rome, that was seized with a fear that the Soviets were winning the propaganda war, was a mysterious character acting as a columnist named _____, who went by “Frenchy,” but preferred to be addressed as General. He had previously run the secret intelligence branch within the State Department known as the Pond.

- A. Allen Dulles
- B. Sherman Povich
- C. John Grombach
- D. Imants Lesinskis

30. While the Olympics were occurring in Rome, U.S. ambassador Llewellyn Thompson was confronted by Nikita Khrushchev at a reception in Moscow. The Soviet leader was preoccupied with the _____ and who was behind it.
- A. U-2 spying incident
B. decision to ban South Africa
C. Taiwanese protest
D. death of Knud Jensen
31. There was no long-term overreaction to the return of the women's 800 meter run at the Olympics in 1960. In 1972, women would run the 1500 and at the _____ they could finally run in the marathon.
- A. 1980 Games
B. 1988 Games
C. 1992 Games
D. 1984 Games
32. For athletes from _____, mourning began on September 1, 1960 as news of the death of President Wilhelm Peck spread through the Olympic Village. He had become close to Josef Stalin as the leader of a resistance movement during World War II before returning home to become a leader.
- A. Hungary
B. East Germany
C. Belarus
D. Czechoslovakia
33. After a slow start, the IOC changed its rules to gain more control over a growing area of the Olympics. By 1984, _____ made up about \$1 of every \$3 it cost to host the Games.
- A. drug testing and screening
B. television revenue
C. advertising sponsorships
D. International Sports Federation dues
34. As the 1960 Summer Games progressed, it became clear that _____ was becoming more than just a winning athlete. The "sweethearts" from the Santa Clara Swim Club had combined to win six gold medals, but still looked up to this athlete whose life was an inspiration and who was watched with reverence around the Olympic Village.
- A. Lance Larson
B. Rafer Johnson
C. Wilma Rudolph
D. Muhammad Ali

“The all-sports star [Bo Roberson] from Cornell was ‘dead tired’ ...but this was his last chance. ‘Continental...crowds have a way of sensing moments of drama ...and now the thousands in the seats...hushed each other’ ...Neil Allen wrote in his diary... ‘I wondered at that moment if [Roberson] thought...of the serious hamstring injury which caused his left leg to be bandaged.’”

35. The excerpt above refers to the _____ final in which Jesse Owens saw one of his world records broken.
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| A. high jump | C. 200 meter run |
| B. 100 meter run | D. long jump |

**Part III: Supplemental Readings
(3 points each)**

36. In the preface to the *Chariots of Fire* script, Colin Welland writes that “this year’s Olympiad could possibly be the last,” due to interference by competing nation’s governments. He is specifically referring to the _____.
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| A. boycott of the 1980 Olympics | C. boycott of the 1984 Olympics |
| B. boycott of the 1968 Olympics | D. boycott of the 1976 Olympics |
37. At the full IOC session in Copenhagen, in May 1950, Avery Brundage distributed a lengthy thousand-word discourse titled, in capital letters “*STOP – LOOK and LISTEN*” describing his views on _____.
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| A. amateurism in sports | C. the spread of communism |
| B. cheating by athletes | D. the influence of commercialism |
38. The host country’s men’s football team won their first Olympic gold medal on a dramatic penalty kick, and the sports of golf and rugby sevens were added to the program at the _____.
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| A. 2004 Summer Games | C. 2016 Summer Games |
| B. 1992 Summer Games | D. 1976 Summer Games |
39. The Netherlands, Spain, and Switzerland boycotted the _____ as a protest against the Soviet invasion of Hungary.
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| A. Helsinki Olympics | C. Melbourne Olympics |
| B. Mexico City Olympics | D. Rome Olympics |

40. The high elevation of the _____ was both a benefit and a hindrance to track-and-field competitors. The sprinters and field athletes thrived in the thin air. African runners, who trained at high elevations, also did well, and Bob Beamon and Lee Evans were able to shatter world records.
- A. Mexico City Olympics
B. Salt Lake City Olympics
C. Rio de Janeiro Olympics
D. Tokyo Olympics
41. During a bungled rescue attempt by German authorities at an airport outside Munich, all eleven athletes, a policeman, and five terrorists responsible for the Olympic Village attack were killed. The three surviving terrorists were captured, and later _____.
- A. released following the hijacking of a Lufthansa plane
B. extradited to Israel to stand trial for kidnapping and murder
C. executed by the West German government
D. escaped during a prisoner transfer to a NATO facility

“Women have but one task, that of the role of crowning the winner with garlands...in public competitions, women’s participation must be absolutely prohibited. It is indecent that spectators should be exposed to the risk of seeing the body of a women being smashed before their eyes. Besides, no matter how toughened a sportswoman may be, her organism is not cut out to sustain certain shocks.”

42. The above excerpt from *A Policy Analysis of Gender Inequality Within the Olympic Movement* features a quote from _____.
- A. Henri de Balliet-Latour
B. Avery Brundage
C. Lord Killanin
D. Pierre de Coubertin
43. Pierre de Coubertin delivered his *Restoring the Olympic Games* speech on November 25, 1892 as part of the celebration of the fifth anniversary of the _____.
- A. end of the Franco-Prussian war and signing of the Treaty of Frankfurt
B. founding of the Union of French Athletic Sports Societies (USFSA)
C. first international competitions at the Wenlock Olympian Games
D. discovery of the site of the original Stadium of Olympia in Greece

44. In _____, several speed skaters became ill and needed medical attention. According to the *Christian Science Monitor*, spent syringes and broken ampules were found in the locker room. This was one of the first reported cases of the use of amphetamines in competition.
- A. 1956, at the Cortina d’Ampezzo Games C. 1952, at the Oslo Games
B. 1956, at the Squaw Valley Games D. 1952, at the Helsinki Games
45. Before the meeting in Oslo, where the decision about the host city of the 1940 Games was to be made, Japanese representatives met _____ in order to persuade _____, another candidate city, to withdraw. The Japanese would then support his countries effort to host in 1944.
- A. Benito Mussolini; Rome C. Josef Stalin; Leningrad
B. King Leopold III; Antwerp D. Neville Chamberlin; London

ESSAY PROMPT:

NOTE: Contestants who do not write an essay will be disqualified. Any essay that does not demonstrate a sincere effort to discuss the assigned topic will be disqualified. The rankings of essays will be based primarily on how well the topic has been addressed. A focused, concise and specific essay beats a vague and rambling essay. Proper grammar and organization should be used to aid clarity, but should not be considered a major factor in scoring. Cover as many corners of the issue as practical. Avoid including personal editorialized opinions, as more than enough information on the subject has been published.

“Even when progress was made, plans for reform were usually prepared only after the occurrence of some “focusing event” that frightened policymakers into action. [WADA board member] Paul Henderson...observed, “No good lesson was ever learnt except through the eyes of disaster.” People knew that athletes were using performance-enhancing drugs prior to...1960, ...but serious dialogue did not begin until after.”

-Excerpt from Drug Games by Thomas M. Hunt

The story of doping or the use of questionable substances to enhance a competitor’s performance is as long and complex as the history of the Olympic Movement itself. Discuss the key “focusing events” involving PEDs and the Olympics, and describe the policy developments they generated from 1960 onward.

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ANSWER KEY

Part I (1 point each)	Part II (2 points each)	Points contestants could mention in their essay:	
1. D	21. D (pg. 295)	1960 Rome	•The media fallout surrounding the premiere track event of the Games led to calls for renewed action
2. D	22. B (pg. 249)	•Knud Jensen died during a cycling race with amphetamines as a factor	•Later in 1988, Dozens of world sports authorities issued support for a new IOC doping structure
3. C	23. A (pg. 271)	•In 1962, Avery Brundage and the IOC set up the first Medical Committee to look into doping, but no recommendations came until 1964	•In 1999, WADA was established
4. B	24. B (pg. 85)	•European countries began passing anti-doping laws in the mid-sixties	•In 2000, the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency began operations
5. C	25. D (pg. 408)	1968 Mexico City	BALCO
6. A	26. D (pg. 208)	•IOC agreed to drug testing for Games and Alexandre de Merode became head of the new Medical Commission	•The Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative was revealed to have supplied PEDs to numerous track athletes by a U.S. federal investigation begun in 2002
7. A	27. B (pg. 105)	•Alcohol was the first PED punished at the Olympics after it was found in the urine of a modern pentathlete	•In 2007, Marion Jones admitted to steroid use and returned 5 track medals won at 2000 Sydney Games
8. C	28. D (pg. 386)	Cold War	Russian Doping
9. C	29. C (pg. 121)	•Oral-Turinabol was administered to numerous East German athletes as steroids are not tested for in 1968.	•The 2014 Sochi Games had the most doping cases in Winter Olympics history
10. C	30. A (pg. 322)	•After the fall of Communism several coaches were put on trial for their use of PEDs on athletes	•Dozens of Russian athletes at Sochi, including several medalists, used PEDS and the IOC banned 11 for life with 21 medals being stripped
11. D	31. D (pg. 314)	•Dianabol and other synthetic hormones were experimented with by team doctors in the East and West including U.S. team doctor John Ziegler	•In 2015, the IOC proposed testing and punishment to be handled by the Anti-Doping Division of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS)
12. B	32. B (pg. 332)	•The 1980 Moscow Games were touted as “the cleanest Games” ever. Later unofficial testing led to the conclusion there was “hardly a winner...not on one sort of drug or another.”	•The 2016 McLaren Report stated that Russian doping and cover-ups were a massive enterprise at the 2012 London Games and subsequent competitions involving the FSB swapping samples and Putin’s deputy sports minister, Yuri Nagornykh masterminding the effort
13. D	33. B (pg. 409)	•At the 1984 L.A. Games, medical information was stolen and/or destroyed.	• In 2018, at Pyeongchang, the Olympic Athletes from Russia (OAR) took part and 2 were still caught using PEDS.
14. B	34. C (pg. 273)	•“Blood-doping” was banned in 1985 after 1/3 of U.S. cycling team used it with great success	•In 2020, WADA banned the Russian team from the Olympics for 4 years, but the CAS later reduced the punishment to 2 years
15. A	35. D (pg. 224)	1988 Seoul	
16. D		•Ben Johnson tested positive for stanozolol after winning the 100m gold	
17. C	Part III (3 points each)		
18. C	36. A		
19. D	37. A		
20. C	38. C		
	39. C		
	40. A		
	41. A		
	42. D		
	43. B		
	44. C		
	45. A		

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