

TULARE
COUNTY
MUSEUM
SCAVENGER
HUNT
(9-12 Grade)
Answer Key

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***INSTRUCTIONS:** ANSWER THE QUESTIONS OR FILL IN THE BLANKS THAT FOLLOW AS YOU EXPLORE THE MUSEUM. READ POSTED SIGNS CAREFULLY AS ANSWERS ARE NOT ALWAYS OBVIOUS. HAVE FUN AND GOOD LUCK!*

YOKUTS NATIVE AMERICAN ROOM:

1. Name three plants or animals that lived around Tulare Lake. **Tules, Valley Oaks, Perennial bunch grass, Antelope, Tule Elk, Grizzly bears, Tulare Lake turtles**
2. What was the size of Tulare Lake in 1882, when Capt. J.W.A Wright made his 6-day trip? **417 square miles**
3. What was the most common type of Yokuts money? **Strung Periwinkle or Olivella shells with the ends ground off.**
4. Explain how the Yokuts leached the fine acorn flour, and why: **First leaves are placed over a hole, sometimes over the hole of a bedrock mortar, the flour is placed on top of the leaves and hot water is poured slowly over the acorn flour several times to leech the tannic acid out because it was bitter.**
5. Unicorn Plant was also known as? **Devil's Claw, Elephant Tusk or Trunk, Cow Catchers or Killers, and Texas Mosquitoes**

6. Draw and Identify two Indian basket designs:



GUN & SADDLE ROOM:

7. When was Sequoia National Park formed and why? **Sequoia National Park was formed on September 25, 1890, to protect the giant sequoia trees from logging.**

8. How did Juan Martarell perfect the Visalia Stock Saddle design? **Martarell lowered the horn, shortened the stirrups, and added a skirt to protect the riders' legs.**

9. Draw one branding symbol that you see on the wood wall. Then create and draw one of your own.



MIDDLE ROOM:

10. What are two typical uses of a railway detonator? **A warning, caution, or a stop signal in dense fog; train stopped on the line ahead; ongoing engineering works ahead; alert to signaler or railway employee to stop approaching trains in an emergency; alert crews working on the rails of a runaway train approaching**

11. What was the wedding dress on display made from? Why was this used? **Made from parachute silk because there was no other fabric available due to WWII.**

12. What is the *USS Tulare's* motto and what does it mean? **Ex Tridente Pax, "Through sea power, peace"**

13. Who was Ben Maddox? **He was the owner of the Visalia Times newspaper and the director of the Mt. Whitney Power Co.**

WEST WING:

14. List three of the instruments you see on display. **Violin, Banjo, Clarinet, Accordion, Melodeon, Packard Reed Organ, Square Grand Piano, Upright or Player Piano.**
15. What year was the Hilliard House destroyed by fire? **1983**
16. By the mid-19th century how fast could stenographers and telegraphers take down information using typewriters? **Up to 130 words per minutes**
17. What statue appeared on the dome of the Tulare County Courthouse? **Minerva, Roman Goddess of Wisdom, and Justice.**

MAIN STREET:

18. Why did a lot of dentists have hearing problems in the past? **Some of the equipment was so loud that it caused hearing loss.**
19. What are some brands that you see on the grocery shelf that you can still find today? **Calumet Baking Powder, Pear's Soap, Dole Pineapple, Libby's Peaches, Coleman's Mustard, Johnnie Walker**
20. How much is the Rate of Toll for a Buggy or Carriage drawn by one horse? **\$2.00**

OUTSIDE – PIONEER VILLAGE:

21. When was the Emken House built and what is it made from? **Built around 1880, made from redwood lumber taken from the Centennial Tree**
22. Name three stones native to Tulare County on display inside the Surprise School **Limestone, Rose Quartz, Porterville Nephrite Jade, Soapstone, Granite, Quartz Group, Tourmaline in Quartz, Serpentine, Rhodonite, Quartz Asbestos**
23. Where did the green and orange stagecoach inside the Wagon Barn carry passengers to, around the turn of the last century? **Between Visalia and the Giant Forest**
24. Between what cities did the Visalia Electric Railroad operate in 1920? **Exeter, Lemon Cove, Woodlake, and Strathmore**

MUSEUM OF FARM LABOR & AGRICULTURE:

25. List four objects that are packed on the Dust Bowl Era truck. **Pitcher, sewing machine, chairs, jug, butter churn, washboard, trunk, rug, quilt, violin, cabinet, rolling pin, pans, pots, sifter, or suitcase.**
26. Name some of the cultural groups that have contributed to agriculture in Tulare County? **Filipino, Portuguese, Japanese, Armenian, African American, Chinese, Mexican, Italian, Southeast Asian, Dust Bowl Immigrants, Dutch, Korean, Croatian/Slavonian, Native American, Westward Settlers, or Basque.**
27. Who lived in the Linnell Camp originally? **Migrant worker families**
28. Who built the first self-propelled combine? **George Stockton Berry of Lindsay, CA.**

AG EQUIPMENT BARN

29. Why is Cincturing on fruit and grape vines done? **Cincturing forces sugar from the leaves to the fruit, causing an increase in size.**
30. What company was created when Best Manufacturing merged with Holt Manufacturing? **Caterpillar Tractor Company**
31. Besides spraying pesticides, what else could the 'Friend' Spray Truck be used for? **Fight fires, whitewash buildings, or disinfect barns**