

Cowboys & Indians

(A Sports Quiz)

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Here's a quiz that provides a fun look at the Old West as it relates to the world of sports. Each question calls for an answer which must associate with sports and also with western terms, places or characters from days gone by.

For example: What word means "Indian Fighters," and is also the nickname of Marquette University?
Answer: Warriors.

Mount up and see how many correct answers you can track down.

1. What nicknames were given to the Miami Dolphins' great running backs Jim Kiick and Larry Csonka in the 1960s and '70s? They match the monikers given to a pair of old, thieving desperadoes of the West.
2. What term describes the men who followed Indian leader "Crazy Horse?" It also indicates the players who listened to Billy Kilmer's signals on the football field.
3. A man sent out on reconnaissance for the cavalry might return with this, as would a man employed by a sports team to "spy" on the competition.
4. What American League baseball team has the same name as that of the group ambushed by "Butch" Cavendish and his "Hole in The Wall Gang?"
5. Can you name two major league baseball teams which have nicknames reminiscent of the first settlers of the Old West?
6. What name fits quarterback Jim Kelly as well as it did William Cody?
7. What fearful word, once associated with the Indian, now applies to a person who sells sports tickets at inflated prices?
8. Florida State University took its nickname from a tribe of the Creek Indians. Which one?
9. If a soccer game is tied at the end of regulation play, the winner is determined by what method, reminiscent of earlier, violent days in the Old West?
10. Good hockey centers win this, as did young gunfighters if they expected to become old gunfighters.
11. What name was given to the men who forged paths for others to follow westward in the early days? The term is the nickname of Portland in the National Basketball Association.
12. What name of a great Indian chief matches the last name of "Cesar," Cincinnati Reds' center fielder during the 1970s?
13. Who were Custer's foes on that fateful day at the Little Big Horn? The name indicates athletes for St. John's University.
14. What devices, attached to a cowboy's boot, became the nickname of San Antonio in the National Basketball Association?
15. Gunfighter William Bonney and former baseball player Billy DeMars shared the same nickname. What was it?
16. What Western movie in recent years starred former football great Alex Karras?
17. This is one way of winning a boxing match. If the letters were reversed they name an old and famous battle site.
18. What are found on cowboy's horses and also appear on the helmets of the Indianapolis Colts?
19. What great American Indian athlete and Olympic champ named "Jim" descended from Sac-and-Fox Indian heritage?
20. What general name for male Indians is also the nickname of athletes from Bradley University?
21. What recent Green Bay Packer quarterback and coach has a last name which matches that of an infamous lady of the Old West?
22. What area, which might have been named by the Indians in honor of their women, was the site of the Olympic games in the United States?
23. By what nickname did Notre Dame's Miller, Stuhldreyer, Crowley and Layden gain lasting fame, thanks to the pen of Grantland Rice, for their football prowess?
24. What popular real-life movie star cowboy became the owner of a major league baseball team?
25. These provided transportation for the Indian, and nowadays you can find two of them in any professional baseball park.
26. What was the Baltimore Colts' great runner Allen Ameche's nickname? An Indian couldn't get along without one.
27. What custom did the University of Oklahoma initiate following a "Sooner" touchdown?
28. Former major league baseball player Chuck Connors once starred in a television Western series. What was it called?
29. What All-Pro football player for Minnesota named "Jim" once ran the wrong way with the ball? His last name indicated "lawman" in the Old West.
30. What was the first effective method of communication in the early days in the West? It matches the name of the Denver Bronco cheerleaders.

Quiz Answers

1. Butch Cassidy & The Sundance Kid
2. Redskins
3. Scouting report
4. Texas Rangers
5. Indians & Braves (Cleveland & Atlanta)
6. Buffalo Bill
7. Scalper
8. Seminoles
9. A shootout
10. The draw
11. Trail Blazers
12. Geronimo
13. Redmen
14. Spurs
15. Billy The Kid
16. Blazing Saddles
17. KO (Knockout)- OK Corral
18. Horseshoes
19. Thorpe
20. Braves
21. Bart Starr (Belle)
22. Squaw Valley
23. The 4 Horsemen
24. Gene Autry
25. Dugouts
26. Horse
27. A stage coach circles the field
28. The Rifleman
29. Jim Marshall
30. The Pony Express

