

Jack London State Historic Park Scavenger Hunt

At the

House of Happy Walls

Welcome to this house, built by Charmian London in 1919-1926. The house is similar to the Wolf House in some ways - the Spanish style roof tiles and walls of fieldstone, for example- but it is much smaller and more formal. Charmian lived here whenever she was not traveling abroad or staying with relatives. After her death in 1955 at the age of 84, Charmian's will directed that the house be used as a memorial to Jack London and as a museum that would house the London collection of photographs and exhibits about the life and adventures of the world famous author. Books and collectibles are also available for purchase.

Much of the furniture in the house was designed by the Londons and custom built for use in the Wolf House.

DOWNSTAIRS IN MUSEUM

FIND THE CORRECT ANSWER TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS BY VIEWING THE EXHIBITS.

1. What was the name of the boat that Jack and Charmian sailed to the South Pacific?
 - a. Shark
 - b. Snark
 - c. Charmian
 - d. London
2. What is the name on the star finder?
 - a. Philips Planisphere
 - b. Star Chart
 - c. Star Disk
 - d. Planispheric disk
3. What year was the Wolf House fire?
 - a. August 22, 1913
 - b. Nov. 22, 1916
 - c. Jan. 13, 1876
 - c. Nov. 19, 1905

4. How much did the Wolf House construction cost?
- a. \$40,000
 - b. \$80,000
 - c. \$75,000
 - d. \$60,000
5. How many floors did the floor plan show?
- a. three
 - b. four
 - c. two
 - d. five
6. Who was the person that sculpted the bust of Jack on the fireplace mantle?
- a. George Sterling
 - b. Albert Farr
 - c. Finn Frolich
 - d. Eliza Shepard
7. The paintings above the fireplace were:
- a. Charmian's paintings
 - b. Eliza Shepard's paintings
 - c. Illustrations from Jack's books
 - d. Albert Farr's paintings
8. The Tapa Cloth curtains were made from:
- a. Mulberry tree
 - b. Oregon Myrtle
 - c. Redwood tree
 - d. Magnolia tree
9. What were the twirling shells made for?
- a. Decorations
 - b. signal sounds
 - c. weapons
 - d. door knockers
10. In the credo that Jack wrote, what is he trying to say?
- a. Live safe
 - b. Grow old
 - c. Spend every day like as if it is your last
 - d. live carefully
11. When was the "8 Great Factors of Literary Success" printed in Silhouette Magazine?
- a. April 1876
 - b. May 1913
 - c. March 1904
 - d. Feb. 1917

12. How many rejection slips did Jack receive?
- a. 15
 - b. 600
 - c. 120
 - d. 250
13. When was the motion picture of Jack London made?
- a. two weeks before he died
 - b. In spring of 1915
 - c. August 18, 1913
 - d. 6 days before his death
14. In the motion picture, what animal does Jack lift up to his cheek?
- a. horse
 - b. dog
 - c. pig
 - d. snake
15. Jack was a war correspondent for which wars?
- a. Russo/Japanese war
 - b. Vera Cruz intercession
 - c. A and B
 - d. none
16. Where was Jack born on Jan. 12, 1876?
- a. Oakland
 - b. San Francisco
 - c. Glen Ellen
 - d. Alameda
17. How many children did Jack have with his first wife, Bessie?
- a. one
 - b. two
 - c. three
 - d. four
18. What were the number of books that Jack had published?
- a. 20
 - b. 42
 - c. 77
 - d. 53
19. Jack prided himself for writing daily a certain amount. What is it?
number of days a week/ number of words per day
- a. 7 days/1500 words
 - b. 5 days/750 words
 - c. 6 days/ 1000 words
 - d. 4 days/2000 words

20. You passed under a horseshoe during your visit to the museum. Can you find where that threshold is? Which horse do you think it belonged to? Write in the answer:

UPSTAIRS IN MUSEUM

21. What does Charmian's clothes display tell you about her personality?
- a. she liked to dress up
 - b. she wore jeans
 - c. she wore sweatclothes
 - d. she didn't have any fancy clothes
22. Locate a photograph of Jack wearing a costume. What was the costume made from?
- a. silk
 - b. cotton
 - c. fur
 - d. human hair
23. Name a famous Sonoma County resident who was also a friend of Jack London.
- a. Charles Schulz
 - b. Gaye LeBaron
 - c. Luther Burbank
 - d. General Vallejo
24. What was Jack's first job and how old was he?
- a. Newspaper boy at 10
 - b. cannery at 12
 - c. oyster pirate at 15
 - d. reporter at 18
25. Name one of Jack's childhood pets.
- a. Sally
 - b. Rollo
 - c. Mister
 - d. Tiger
26. What was Charmian's name for this house?
- a. House of Happy Walls
 - b. House with Happy Walls
 - c. Happy House
 - d. Happy Walls House

33. Jack was president of what socialist group in 1906?
- a. Socialist Association
 - b. Assoc. of Socialists
 - c. Intercollegiate Socialist Society
 - d. Friends of Socialists
34. What George Orwell book was influenced by London's futuristic book, The Iron Heel?
- a. 1965
 - b. 2001
 - c. 1984
 - d. 1916
35. What is the Romanian name for the Jack London book, Martin Eden?
- a. Alese Opere
 - b. Opere Alese
 - c. Mi Alese
 - d. Mi Opere
36. Find the painted plaster bust of Nefertiti near the piano, done by Herzog. Who was Nefertiti?
- a. 14th Century Egyptian Queen
 - b. 18th Century Greek Goddess
 - c. 15th Century Roman Princess

Answer key available at Museum Office.

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