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**Answer:** Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. British Columbia is the only province on the Pacific coast.

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**Answer:** Waterloo. In 1815, a combined English and Prussian force defeated Napoleon outside the town of Waterloo. He would spend the rest of his days in exile.

3. What nursery rhyme character "kissed the girls and made them cry"?

**Answer:** Georgie Porgie. Origins of the rhyme date back to the mid-19th century in England.

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**Answer:** Robin. He was first introduced in 1940 to attract a younger readership. The ploy worked because sales increased dramatically following the debut of the Boy Wonder.

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**Answer:** *Phantom of the Opera*. The musical is based on the novel by French author Gaston Leroux. Two films have been adapted from the novel as well. The first one was a silent film starring Lon Chaney.

6. What tennis player holds the men's record for the most Grand Slam singles titles?

**Answer:** Novak Djokovic. He has 24 Grand Slam titles. Rafael Nadal has 22. However, Margaret Court holds the women's record with 24.

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**Answer:** Rob Roy. Like the Manhattan, it can be made dry or perfect.

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**Answer:** Chad, France, Spain, and Greece. Chad is a landlocked country in Africa. France, Spain, and Greece are all located in Europe.

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**Answer:** The bat. Echolocation is the technique of emitting noise and listening for an echo that is used to detect other animals, food, and obstacles. Dolphins also use this method.

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**Answer:** *Of Mice and Men*. Lennie and George are both migrant workers in the story. George looks after the simple-minded but physically strong Lennie.

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**Answer:** Ernest Borgnine. His performance earned him an Oscar in 1955.

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**Answer:** 1930s. Charles Lindbergh Jr. was taken from his bedroom and murdered in 1932. Bruno Hauptmann was convicted of the crime and executed in 1936.

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**Answer:** B.B. King. He is known for his fluid guitar playing. He is ranked No. 6 on *Rolling Stone's* list of 100 greatest guitarists of all time.

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**Answer:** Jupiter. Planets in order from largest to smallest are Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Earth, Venus, Mars, and Mercury. Pluto is no longer considered a planet.

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**Answer:** Enrico Fermi. Fermi's ideas led to the splitting of the atom and the discovery of nuclear energy.

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**Answer:** *Bon appétit*.

18. What type of instrument is mentioned in the song "Oh! Susanna"?

**Answer:** Banjo. Stephen Foster wrote "Oh! Susanna" in 1846. A banjo is mentioned in the lyric "For I come from Alabama with a banjo on my knee."

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**Answer:** Sack. Sacking the quarterback is a goal of the pass rusher.

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**Answer:** Australia. It is the only country that is also a continent.

21. What is the term for a mass of snow falling rapidly down a mountainside?

**Answer:** Avalanche. Another term for an avalanche is a *snowslip* or *snowslide*. Slides of rock and debris falling the same way are also called an avalanche or a rockslide.

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**Answer:** Dr. Seuss. His real name was Theodor Geisel. Seuss wrote more than 60 children's books.