



## Who Wrote the National Anthem? - Quiz

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### Q1. Who composed 'The Star-Spangled Banner'?

- A. Francis Scott Key
- B. John Stafford Smith
- C. Joseph Hopkinson
- D. John Philip Sousa

### Q2. When was 'The Star-Spangled Banner' adopted as the U.S. national anthem?

- A. 1814
- B. 1916
- C. 1931
- D. 1987

### Q3. What was the original title of 'The Star-Spangled Banner'?

- A. Hail Columbia
- B. Defense of Fort M'Henry
- C. Adams and Liberty
- D. The President's March

**Q4. What was the name of the British song that 'The Star-Spangled Banner' was set to?**

- A. God Save the Queen
- B. To Anacreon in Heaven
- C. Rule, Britannia!
- D. The British Grenadiers

**Q5. Which U.S. president first designated 'The Star-Spangled Banner' as the national anthem?**

- A. George Washington
- B. John Adams
- C. Woodrow Wilson
- D. Franklin D. Roosevelt

**Q6. What was the first unofficial national anthem of the United States?**

- A. The Star-Spangled Banner
- B. Hail Columbia
- C. The Stars and Stripes Forever
- D. My Country, 'Tis of Thee

**Q7. What event inspired Francis Scott Key to write 'The Star-Spangled Banner'?**

- A. The burning of the White House
- B. The Battle of Baltimore
- C. The signing of the Declaration of Independence
- D. The Boston Tea Party

**Q8. Who wrote the music for 'The Stars and Stripes Forever'?**

- A. Francis Scott Key
- B. John Stafford Smith
- C. Joseph Hopkinson
- D. John Philip Sousa

**Q9. Which of the following was NOT a criticism of 'The Star-Spangled Banner'?**

- A. Its dynamic range was too difficult
- B. It glorified violence
- C. It was composed by a British musician
- D. It was too short

**Q10. What profession did Francis Scott Key have?**

- A. Soldier
- B. Musician
- C. Lawyer
- D. Politician

## **Answer Key**

1. Q1: A
2. Q2: C
3. Q3: B
4. Q4: B
5. Q5: C
6. Q6: B
7. Q7: B
8. Q8: D
9. Q9: D
10. Q10: C