Elvis Trivia

Use this key to check answers and read the explanations.

1. In which Mississippi city was Elvis Presley born in 1935?
   - A. Tupelo
   - B. Jackson
   - C. Natchez
   - D. Meridian

   Correct answer: A. Tupelo
   Elvis was born in a two-room house in Tupelo on January 8, 1935. He spent much of his childhood there before his family moved to Tennessee.

2. Which Tennessee city is home to Graceland, the estate where Elvis Presley lived?
   - A. Chattanooga
   - B. Nashville
   - C. Memphis
   - D. Knoxville

   Correct answer: C. Memphis
   The National Register lists Graceland at 3764 Elvis Presley Boulevard in Memphis.

3. Which film marked Elvis Presley's feature-film debut in 1956?
   - A. Loving You
   - B. Love Me Tender
   - C. Blue Hawaii
   - D. King Creole

   Correct answer: B. Love Me Tender
   Presley made his screen debut in Love Me Tender. The studio adopted the song title as the film's title before release.

4. Which 1956 single from Presley's first RCA recording session reached number one on Billboard's pop singles chart?
   - A. Don't Be Cruel
   - B. Blue Suede Shoes
   - C. All Shook Up
   - D. Heartbreak Hotel

   Correct answer: D. Heartbreak Hotel
   Elvis recorded Heartbreak Hotel at his first RCA session in Nashville. The single topped Billboard's pop singles chart in 1956.

5. In what category did Elvis Presley win a Grammy in 1968 for How Great Thou Art?

A. Best Rock & Roll Recording
B. Best Sacred Performance
C. Record of the Year
D. Best Country & Western Recording

Correct answer: B. Best Sacred Performance
The Recording Academy lists How Great Thou Art as Presley's winning entry in Best Sacred Performance at the 1968 ceremony.

6. During his U.S. Army service, Elvis Presley had a posting in Friedberg and lived nearby in Bad Nauheim. In which country were those towns at the time?

A. West Germany
B. Austria
C. Belgium
D. United Kingdom

Correct answer: A. West Germany
Friedberg and Bad Nauheim were in West Germany at the time. Presley arrived in October 1958 and spent about 18 months stationed in Friedberg.

7. In Blue Hawaii, what job does Elvis Presley's character, Chad Gates, take after returning to Hawaii?

A. Hotel pianist
B. Pineapple company manager
C. Radio host
D. Tour guide

Correct answer: D. Tour guide
Chad passes up a job in his father's pineapple business and takes a job showing visitors around the island.

8. Who played bass alongside guitarist Scotty Moore on Elvis Presley's 1954 recording of That's All Right?

A. Chet Atkins
B. D. J. Fontana
C. Bill Black
D. Sam Phillips

Correct answer: C. Bill Black
Sun Records identifies Bill Black as the bassist and Scotty Moore as the guitarist on the July 5 session in Memphis.

9. The U.S. Postal Service asked the public to choose an image of Elvis in 1992. Which image won and appeared on the 29-cent stamp issued in 1993?

A. A portrait of Elvis as a young performer
B. A portrait of Elvis later in his career
C. A view of the Graceland mansion
D. A guitar with no portrait

Correct answer: A. A portrait of Elvis as a young performer
The Postal Service says voters chose the image of a younger Elvis over one showing him later in life. The winning design appeared on the 1993 stamp.

10. Which fund received money raised by the 1973 Aloha from Hawaii concert and its rehearsal performance?

A. The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Foundation
B. The USS Arizona Memorial fund
C. The March of Dimes
D. The Kui Lee Cancer Fund

Correct answer: D. The Kui Lee Cancer Fund
Donations and concert merchandise sales benefited Hawaii's Kui Lee Cancer Fund. Graceland records a total of $75,000 raised.

11. The film catalog for King Creole identifies Elvis Presley as Danny Fisher. Which name belongs on the director's line for this 1958 feature?

A. Richard Thorpe
B. Norman Taurog
C. Michael Curtiz
D. Don Siegel

Correct answer: C. Michael Curtiz
Michael Curtiz directed King Creole. Presley played Danny Fisher in the film adaptation of a novel by Harold Robbins.

12. A reissue groups Suspicious Minds and In the Ghetto with Elvis Presley's 1969 American Sound sessions in Memphis. Which producer belongs on the session credit?

A. Sam Phillips
B. Chips Moman
C. Chet Atkins
D. Felton Jarvis

Correct answer: B. Chips Moman
Chips Moman produced the American Sound sessions. They yielded both singles and material for From Elvis in Memphis.

13. The Library of Congress announced additions to the National Film Registry in December 2004. Which 1957 Elvis Presley feature was among the selections?

A. Love Me Tender
B. Loving You
C. King Creole
D. Jailhouse Rock

Correct answer: D. Jailhouse Rock
The announcement lists the 1957 feature Jailhouse Rock among that year's National Film Registry selections.

14. A National Archives account describes a letter on airline stationery that Elvis brought to the White House and a photograph taken when he met the president. Which catalog caption matches the record?

A. Elvis Presley meets Richard Nixon, December 21, 1970.
B. Elvis Presley meets Richard Nixon, December 21, 1969.
C. Elvis Presley meets Lyndon Johnson, December 21, 1968.
D. Elvis Presley meets Gerald Ford, December 21, 1974.

Correct answer: A. Elvis Presley meets Richard Nixon, December 21, 1970.
The National Archives dates the meeting and photographs to December 21, 1970, during Richard Nixon's presidency.

15. An awards display lists Elvis on Tour and Walls of Fire under the same category at the 1973 Golden Globes. How should the two films be labeled?

A. Walls of Fire won the documentary category and Elvis on Tour was only nominated.
B. Elvis on Tour won the documentary category and Walls of Fire was only nominated.
C. Both were winners in the documentary category.
D. Both were winners in the musical or comedy category.

Correct answer: C. Both were winners in the documentary category.
The Golden Globes history records two documentary winners in 1973. Elvis on Tour and Walls of Fire both received that award.