

## Week 2 Questions, Hints and Answers

**Location:** <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/Page/2632>

A member of Lowell High School Class of 1854, this lithographer, draftsman, manufacturer and entrepreneur became a game pioneer. Born in Maine, he moved to Lowell in 1847. After Lowell High, he worked as a draftsman and patent agent, eventually moving to Providence, Rhode Island and learning lithography. He set up the first color lithography shop in Springfield, Massachusetts and used an idea he had to create a board game which he called "The Checkered Game of Life." Who is this famous Lowell High graduate was inducted into their Distinguished Hall of Fame in 2012? **Milton Bradley**

**Location:** <https://loughcraft.blogspot.com/2012/03/lowell-doughboy-stature-tribute-of.html>

There's a statue of a man located on the corner of Fletcher and Willie Streets right in front of the current Lowell Firefighters Club. Who does this man represent and who paid for the statue? **36 men of the Acre who died in WWI and it was paid for by the Broadway Social Club.**

**Location:** <https://www.ymittoscandles.com/>

This local candle maker has been lighting the way since 1910. Their master craftspeople have created high quality candles, using the finest waxes and cotton wicking in the original way. Their products are utilized by churches, designers and the film industry. You've likely seen their works in films like Pirates of the Caribbean, John Adams, the Dark Knight, Castlerock, Westworld, Little Women, and many more. Who are these local candle company? **Ymittos**

**Location:** <https://akmakbakeries.com/about-us/>

Over the years, Lowell has been home to many bakeries, cracker companies, and more. The first Armenian bakery in the United States was founded in Lowell in 1893, producing baked goods of the Middle East for the Armenians who were relocating to this area of the United States. While not appearing in the City Directories, there is a mention of *the* Armenian bakery in 1894 on Gorham Street near the federal building experiencing a fire. What current company, located in California, continues to make the cracker breads that had its humble beginning with Uncle Jacob's bakery here in Lowell? **Either Ak-mak bakeries or Ararat Bakeries (original company name)**

**Location:** [http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/cyr\\_louis\\_14E.html](http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/cyr_louis_14E.html)

In 1878, Lowell welcomed a family of French-Canadians whose son was named Cyprien-Noé and known in Canada for his feats of strength. While in Lowell, he worked various jobs including those in the mills, on a farm, in a machine shop, and more. He became known here for his strength and when he was 18, he entered his first contest in Boston and was able to lift a horse off the ground. Back and forth between Canada and Lowell, he and his family found support with the Franco-American community in the city and this strongman eventually began his rise to fame, with a reputation for being the "Strongest Man in the World," performing feats like holding a platform on his back with 18 men on it, lifting a 534 pound weight with a finger, and pushing a freight car. Various books and a movie of his life were released in 2013. What is his name? **Louis Cyr**

**Location:** <https://baybottles.com/2019/02/22/e-w-hoyt-co-lowell-mass-hoyts-german-cologne/> or <http://cliffhoyt.com/ewhoyt.htm>

Elias W. Hoyt came to Lowell as a boy and started as a clerk of the drugstore E.A. Staniels when he was 14. When Mr. Staniels passed, Hoyt became the owner of his own apothecary shop and was known for his cologne. After noticing that the \$1 bottles were too large, he invented a new bottle-size in 1870 and business boomed. What is the name of the new size of bottle and how much did it cost? **Trial-size or Sample – 25 cents/\$.25**

**Location:** <https://www.aacu.org/sites/default/files/files/CLDE/Ethnicity%20in%20Lowell.pdf>

Find the Lowell National Historical Park Ethnographic Overview and Assessment, Ethnicity in Lowell, written by Robert Farrant, Ph.D. and Christoph Strobel, Ph.D. This document examines the city's past and cultural geography. Read the history of an ethnic group of which you have no experience. Which group to read you about and share 1 thing that you surprised you about their experience either coming to Lowell or when they were becoming part of the community.

**Various answers.**

**Location:** <https://lowellauditorium.com/memorials>

In Lowell Memorial Auditorium's Hall of Flags, there is a flag that survived the Civil War that is presented in an ornate wooden frame. Give to his mother by his comrades, this flag was forgotten in a storage room, found in 2014, restored by the Greater Lowell Veterans Council and unveiled May 31, 2015 as part of the Memorial Day celebrations. What is the name of this Captain and where and when did he give the ultimate sacrifice? **Solon Perkins, KIA June 3, 1863 at Clinton, Louisiana.**

**Location:** <http://richardhowe.com/2017/12/01/lowell-people-moses-greeley-parker/>

Dr. Moses Greeley Parker has a lasting legacy for a variety of reasons, including being the first to photograph the tubercular bacillus, the first to photograph electric currents, and was a respected doctor. In 1876, he attended a special demonstration of a new technology held at Huntington Hall by Alexander Graham Bell. Soon after and worried about staffing a needed community service during to a measles outbreak, Parker invented something that we all still use today. What was his invention? **The telephone number**

**Location:** <https://archive.org/details/hoodscookbook00ciho/page/n1/mode/2up/search/lowell>

Founded by Charles Ira Hood in 1875, the C.I. Hood & Co. was one of the largest patent medicine companies in the United States, offering a variety of products, including Hood's Sarsaparilla. Unrelated to the Hood dairy company, C.I. Hood & Co. created a number of marketing devices and tools, including posters, calendars, cookbooks, and more. Find the company cookbook from 1878 and share from which politician's wife the recipes were received that are used in the book. **Mayor Charles A. Stott**

**Location:** <https://archives.lib.state.ma.us/bitstream/handle/2452/110973/1825acts0112.pdf?sequence=3&isAllowed=y>

The State Library of Massachusetts has an extensive digital collection located at <https://archives.lib.state.ma.us/> which captures much of the inner workings of government and municipalities in the Commonwealth. Find the 1826 act to incorporate the town of Lowell and tell us whose house is listed as part of the boundaries of the town of Lowell. **Henry Coburn**

**Location:** <https://umlseada.omeka.net/collections/browse>

UMass Lowell has established a Southeast Asian Digital Archive, a community-centered archive of cultural heritage materials from Southeast Asian American communities in the greater Lowell, Mass., region. View their digital collection and find the oral histories project of the Indochinese Refugees Foundation, an organization that helped refugees who were resettling in Lowell in the 1970s and early 1980s. Name the former staff and board members who participated in this oral history project. **Oral histories were conducted with Jacqueline (Fidler) Moloney, Carol Keirstead, Elise Martin, Hai Pho, and Lan Pho.**

**Location:** <http://richardhowe.com/2020/03/15/lowell-walks-virtual-tour-of-acre/>

The Stone House located at 267 Pawtucket Street was constructed in 1824 and has had a number of uses over the years, including being the location of the discussions to establish the new town of Lowell. Later, it was sold to Locks and Canals, which used it as a private guest house and had a very special famous guest from out west who created a journal of his tours and who was entertained there during his visit to Lowell. Who was the famous frontiersman? **Davy Crockett. His original notes about his visit to Lowell found at**

<https://archive.org/details/accountofcolcroc00cro/page/90/mode/2up/search/Lowell>

**Location:** <http://richardhowe.com/2012/04/01/presidential-visits-to-lowell/>

Lowell has been a stomping ground for many Presidents (and soon to be presidents) over the years. Andrew Jackson appears to have been the first president to visit Lowell on June 26-27, 1833. Name 2 other Presidents who visited Lowell, but were not acting as Presidents of the United States during their visit. **Martin Van Buren (VP), Franklin Pierce (had relatives here so visited often), Abraham Lincoln (Congressman campaigning for Zachary Taylor to be President), Ulysses S. Grant (General), Calvin Coolidge (VP) for Lowell Memorial Auditorium dedication, Harry Truman (campaigning), John Kennedy (Senator and Congressman), Bill Clinton (ex-President).**

**Location:** <https://lowellhistarch.omeka.net/items/show/576> and <http://mhc-macris.net/>

This building at 40 Market Street has a long and varied history. Our friends at UMass Lowell have digitized the cultural inventories of buildings throughout Lowell, so we have a digital documentation of this property or you can use the Massachusetts Cultural Resource Inventory site to find answers about various historical properties. For what was 40 Market Street originally built to host, when did it open, and what City department was housed on the upper floors of this location? **It was originally a Market House to house sellers of provisions on March 5, 1837. It housed the Lowell Police Department/Lowell Police Court.**