



Austin Trivia

1. What is central Texas often referred to as, due to the diverse group of high-tech companies and organizations located here?
2. What were the downtown streets originally named after before the city adopted the numbered street plan?
3. What was the first newspaper to be published in Austin?
4. What was the first mascot of The University of Texas, before it became Bevo the Longhorn?
5. What is the famous UT hand sign created by head cheerleader Harley Clark in 1955?
6. What is the famous tower that still retains and uses a portion of the tower lighting system that was once used during the late 1800s and serves as the center post for the Zilker Park "Christmas Tree" of lights each year?
7. What is the nickname that the writer O. Henry gave Austin in 1894 in his political humor story *Tictocq, The Great French Detective, in Austin*?
8. Town Lake, Lake Austin and Lake Travis, the three lakes in the Austin area, are not real lakes, but rather dammed up sections of which river?
9. Which mountain was once called Antoinette's Leap according to a legend, named after a damsel who leaped to her death to avoid capture from Indians that killed her lover, who fought to his death to defend her?
10. Who coined the "Keep Austin Weird" slogan in 2000?
11. Which house is the oldest continuously inhabited house in Texas? It is said to be occupied by the ghost of a former governor's nephew who committed suicide in the northwest bedroom in 1865.
12. What is the name of the movie that was filmed in the Austin area, where its party scene was centered in the moonlight tower?
13. Who was the first woman to enroll at the University of Texas?





1. Silicon Hills
2. North-south streets are named after Texas rivers while east-west streets were originally named for Texas trees.
3. Austin City Gazette
4. Pig Belmont
5. Hook'em Horns
6. Moonlight tower
7. The City of the Violet Crown
8. Colorado River
9. Mt. Bonnell
10. Red Wassenich
11. Texas Governor's Mansion
12. Dazed and Confused
13. Jessie Andrews

