

UIL LISTENING CONTEST - GRADES 7-8
SPRING DISTRICT 2007-08
The Cowboy Detective

1. Where was Charlie Siringo in the spring of 1877?
A. Santa Fe, New Mexico
B. Dodge City, Kansas
C. Denver, Colorado
D. Los Angeles, California
2. In what year was Siringo's first book published?
A. 1877
B. 1892
C. 1885
D. 1907
3. Bored by life as a businessman, in 1886 Siringo moved to _____, where he joined the Pinkerton Detective Agency.
4. What did Siringo do that was a new technique in detective work at the time?
A. He charged hourly fees for his services.
B. He carried a gun.
C. He worked undercover.
D. He collected fingerprints at crime scenes.
5. Which of the following is a main idea of the story?
A. Charlie Siringo had difficulties publishing some of his books.
B. Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid fled to Bolivia when they felt their luck was running out in America.
C. Charlie Siringo's pioneering efforts in undercover operations had great influence on the development of detective work.
D. Charlie Siringo became somewhat of a celebrity after moving to Los Angeles.
6. What alias did Siringo use when he investigated Butch Cassidy's gang?
A. Tom Horn
B. Charles L. Carter
C. Kid Curry
D. Clarence Pinkerton
7. The name of the noted Pinkerton agent who later became an assassin was _____.
8. Which of the following came **FIRST** in the life of Charlie Siringo?
A. He moved to Chicago and joined the Pinkerton Detective Agency.
B. He investigated Butch Cassidy's gang.
C. He worked as a New Mexico Ranger.
D. He witnessed an incident in Dodge City, Kansas, involving Wyatt Earp.

- TRUE/FALSE**

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19. Butch Cassidy's gang was known as the Wild Bunch.
20. Siringo had little success in hampering the operations of Butch Cassidy's gang.
21. Siringo used Wyatt Earp as a reference to get his job with Pinkerton.
22. The undercover work Siringo did was a new technique in detective work at the time.
23. The case in which Siringo investigated corrupt union officials took place in Chicago.
24. Siringo became somewhat of a celebrity when he moved to Los Angeles.
25. Siringo died in his native Texas in 1928.