

HW Brandt
American historian, author and professor

1. What is H.W. Brands' full name?

- A. Howard William Brands
- B. Henry William Brands
- C. Harold Walter Brands
- D. Hubert Wayne Brands

Answer: _____

2. When did H.W. Brands start teaching?

- A. 1985
- B. 1990
- C. 1977
- D. 2000

Answer: _____

3. What was the focus of H.W. Brands' PhD thesis at the University of Texas, Austin?

- A. The Civil War
- B. The Cold War
- C. The American Revolution
- D. World War II

Answer: _____

4. Which book by H.W. Brands is a study of the foreign policy of the Dwight Eisenhower administration?

- A. "The First American"
- B. "Cold Warriors"
- C. "American Colossus"
- D. "Traitor to His Class"

Answer: _____

5. How does H.W. Brands describe 'big history'?

- A) The history of private lives
- B) The history of public events
- C) The history of ancient civilizations
- D) The history of the future

Answer: _____

6. For which prize has H.W. Brands been nominated multiple times?

- A. Nobel Prize
- B. Booker Prize
- C. Pulitzer Prize
- D. National Book Award

Answer: _____

7. Which period does H.W. Brands find most interesting and recurrently drawn to in his studies?

- A. 18th century
- B. 20th century
- C. 17th century
- D. 19th century

Answer: _____

****Written Response Questions****

8. Explain H.W. Brands' view on the relationship between big history and little history. How do they intersect, and why is this intersection significant?

9. H.W. Brands has written extensively and been featured in documentaries. Discuss how his work has contributed to public understanding of American history. Provide specific examples.

10. H.W. Brands emphasizes the importance of reading primary sources like journals and diaries. Why does he believe these are crucial for understanding history, and how can they provide a different perspective compared to traditional history books?
