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Saturday's Quiz: The State of the Quiz is a matter of fierce debate

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- 1. New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo delivered his second State of the State address in Albany Wednesday. Which of the following was not among his new initiatives?
- a) Build the largest convention center in the nation on the site of Aqueduct race track.
- b) Redevelop Manhattan's west side.
- c) Give Buffalo a \$1 billion economic development boost.
- d) Develop Syracuse's Inner Harbor.
- 2. Which of the following topics did he not bring up during his speech?
- a) Achieving an ontime state budget last year.
- b) Lowering taxes for most New Yorkers.
- c) Containing out-of-control Medicaid costs.
- d) Launching hydraulic fracturing to retrieve natural gas from the Marcellus Shale.
- 3. What happened to actor Alec Baldwin's commercials for Wegmans this week?
- a) The Rochester-based supermarket chain yanked the promotional spots one week early because annoyed customers complained that Baldwin, whose mother Carol lives in Camillus, had been booted from an American Airlines flight for refusing to turn off his electronic device.
- b) Wegmans began running the ads again after receiving hundreds of tweets, emails and phone calls protesting the decision to pull the ads.
- c) Alec Baldwin made a personal appeal to Wegmans, promising to cooperate with airline staff in future and attend anger management classes.
- d) After saying, "We decided that rather than offend anyone, we would pull the commercials earlier than planned," a Wegmans spokesperson acknowledged the popular supermarket had managed to offend a lot more people by pulling



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6. TRUE OR FALSE? Children from elementary school civics classes all over the state who traveled to Albany this week pay rapt attention to New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo as he delivers his second State of the State address Wednesday, in which he called for a new Tier 6 state pension plan, an infrastructure task force and a master plan for power transmission.

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- 4. While Occupy protest encampments have disappeared in most cities, Syracuse's small outpost remains in place, with the blessing of Mayor Stephanie Miner. What methods are protesters using to keep warm during Central New York's winter weather?
- a) Dressing warmly.
- b) Huddling together in tents to share body warmth.
- c) Gratefully receiving donated blankets.
- d) Luxuriating in the hot air of speeches castigating the greedy rich.
- 5. In his State of the State speech Wednesday, Gov. Cuomo noted that New York declared its independence from Great Britain ahead of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. This week it was revealed what happened to the two-page declaration signed by 100 members of New York's provincial congress May 26, 1775. What's the answer?
- a) It burned in a fire in the Capitol building in Albany in 1911.
- b) It disappeared into the archives of a private collector.
- c) It was sent to London, where King George III tore it to shreds.
- d) It was discovered in the inventory of the Onondaga Historical Association and returned to Albany.

Answers:

- 1. d
- 2. c and d
- 3. a, b and d
- 4. a, b and c
- 5. d
- 6. False. What is holding the children's attention is not a man in a suit delivering a boring speech from a lectern, but the seasonal Disney on Ice spectacle at the Onondaga County War Memorial. The show concludes with performances today and Sunday. For more information and tickets, call 435-2121.
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