

**Answer Key: 2019 - Intermediate Waterloo Trivia Questions**  
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1. Which hotel, located at E. 4th & Sycamore St., was famous throughout the United States beginning in the late 1800s?

The Logan House (Waterloo City directories)

2. What were the names of the three main newspapers in Waterloo from 1900-1910? (Please answer using the full name of each paper as it appeared on the masthead, and separate your answers with commas.)

The Waterloo Daily Reporter, The Waterloo Evening Courier, The Waterloo Times-Tribune

3. Who opened the first bank in Waterloo?

A.P. Hosford and Edmund Miller

(Source: "History of Black Hawk County and Its People" by John C. Hartman, page 215.)

4. What year was the Irving Hotel torn down?

1938

(Source: "Wreckers Take Irving Hotel, 53-Year-Old Waterloo Landmark," Waterloo Courier; February 7, 1938, page 3.)

5. Who published the first newspaper in Waterloo, which began in 1855?

William Haddock

(Source: "History of Black Hawk County and Its People" by John C. Hartman, page 215.)

6. Who was the first Black Hawk County judge?

Jonathan R. Pratt

(Source: "History of Black Hawk County and Its People" by John C. Hartman, page 64.)

7. Where was "Lover's Island" located?

Between 6th and 8th Streets

(Source: "Red Cedar River...and Some Interesting Incidentals," Waterloo Daily Courier; January 18, 1909; page 7.)

8. Which Native American tribe had a small village located on the site of the current National Cattle Congress / Electric Park grounds?

Meskwaki

(Source: "Traces of Algonkian Culture Give Hint of Prehistoric Iowa", Waterloo Courier; April 14, 1928; page 3.)

9. Where did the four green sculptures come from that are on top of the River Plaza Building at 10 W. 4th Street?

From the old courthouse that stood on Park Avenue

(Source: "Old Y site to be new home of statues," Waterloo Courier; October 19, 1982; page 8.)

10. What was the name of Waterloo's first drive-in theater?

Starlite

(Source: "First Drive-In Theater in Iowa Opens Sept. 10 / \$150,000 Drive-In Theater, Iowa's First, Opens Sept. 10," Waterloo Courier; August 31, 1947.)

11. Who were the three young black women known as the Jubilee Singers, who sang daily on KXEL radio from 1941-1947?

Marynette Roberts Harris, Marion Roberts Butler, Phyllis Berdell

(Source: "Our Heritage: An Introduction to 150 years of African-American History in the Cedar Valley", page 17, call # R977.737 OUR.)

12. Organized professional baseball began in Waterloo in 1904. What was the name of Waterloo's team?

The Waterloo Microbes.

(Source: "Waterloo in Organized Baseball for 40 Years," Waterloo Courier; June 20, 1954; Section 7, page 2)

13. What month and year did the first steam locomotive reach Waterloo?

March 11, 1861

(Source(s): "Cities on the Cedar" by Glenda Riley, page 18; "History of Black Hawk County and Its People" by John C. Hartman, page 215.)

14. Where was the first Waterloo City Council meeting held?

The offices of Boies & Allen, Lincoln Block

(Source: "City Council / First Regular Meeting / Organization Effected," Waterloo Courier; July 30, 1868; page 4.)

15. What year did Judd Tunis purchase the land that later became the Tunis Speedway?

1941

(Source: "Dirt Track Dreams: The Tunis Speedway Chronicles," by Jim Volgarino, call # R762.72 VOL. Pages in this item are unnumbered, this date may be found under the section "Chronology and Facts About the Track".)