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SERIAL KILLER WEB QUEST/SCAVENGER HUNT

Use the internet to find answers to the following questions.

1. What is the definition of a serial killer?
2. How many active serial killers does the FBI believe are in the US right now?
3. Why is the above number an estimate and not an exact number?
4. What state did the Zodiac Killer operate in?
5. There is an urban legend that you can identify a serial killer by asking them a certain question and if they respond in a certain way they can be identified as a serial killer. What is the question and what is the answer?
6. What is the FBI's CIRG (what does it stand for)? Where is it located? What is the purpose?
7. What is the *Highway Serial Killings Initiative*?
8. Who coined the term "serial killer" and when did it become the accepted term?
9. Was the Boston Strangler one person or a group? Explain.
10. What famous Hollywood film depicts the unsolved Zodiac Killer crimes?
11. What are at least 5 suggestions you can find on the internet that provide advice for NOT becoming the victim of a serial killer?
12. Where did the West Mesa Bone Collector bury his victims and how were they discovered?
13. Why is February 9th an important day for serial killing?
14. Who killed Ashley Ellerin? Who was Ellerin's famous boyfriend?

15. What nickname was given to serial killer Ted Kaczynski? Where did Kaczynski attend college and who did he target as his victims?
16. What was going on in Texarkana in 1946 that left townspeople terrified enough to establish a curfew?
17. What convicted serial killer is the youngest woman ever sentenced to the death penalty?
18. What serial killer has more confirmed victims than any other in the entire world?
19. What serial killer more confirmed victims than any other in the United States?
20. Who was the "Wolf Man of Moscow" and what was his occupation?
21. Who was the Mad Butcher of Kingsbury Run and why could only 2 of his victims be identified?
22. Is there more than one Hillside Strangler? Explain.
23. What serial killer carried out his crimes over the longest period of time?
24. Is there more than one Sunset Strip Killer? Explain.
25. What if any are the common characteristics of a serial killer?