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QUIZ: History of Polish Americans

How many people in America are of Polish descent?

- a. one million
- b. 300,000
- c. 10 million

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According to the U.S. Census there are approximately 10 million Americans of Polish descent in the U.S. today, making it the largest diaspora of Poles in the world. Polish Americans have always been the largest group of Slavic origin in the United States.

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When do we celebrate the Polish Heritage Month in America?

- a. May
- b. January
- c. October

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October is the Polish American Heritage Month. One of the biggest celebrations this month is the Pulaski Day Parade on Fifth Avenue in New York City.



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Where did the first Polish immigrants arrive in 1608?

- a. Plymouth, MA
- b. Jamestown, VA
- c. Chicago, IL

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The first Polish immigrants came to the Jamestown colony in 1608, twelve years before the Pilgrims arrived in Massachusetts. They were recruited by the colony as craftsmen in the colony's glassmaking and woodworking industries.



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What were the first Polish colonists famous for?

- a. They made a peace treaty with Indians
- b. They introduced pierogies to America
- c. They led the first labor protest in the New World

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The Polish colonists led a strike in 1619 to protest that they had been excluded from voting rights by the first-ever legislative body. Their strike was the first labor protest in the New World.

By walking off the job, they affected the local industry enough that voting rights were granted to them.



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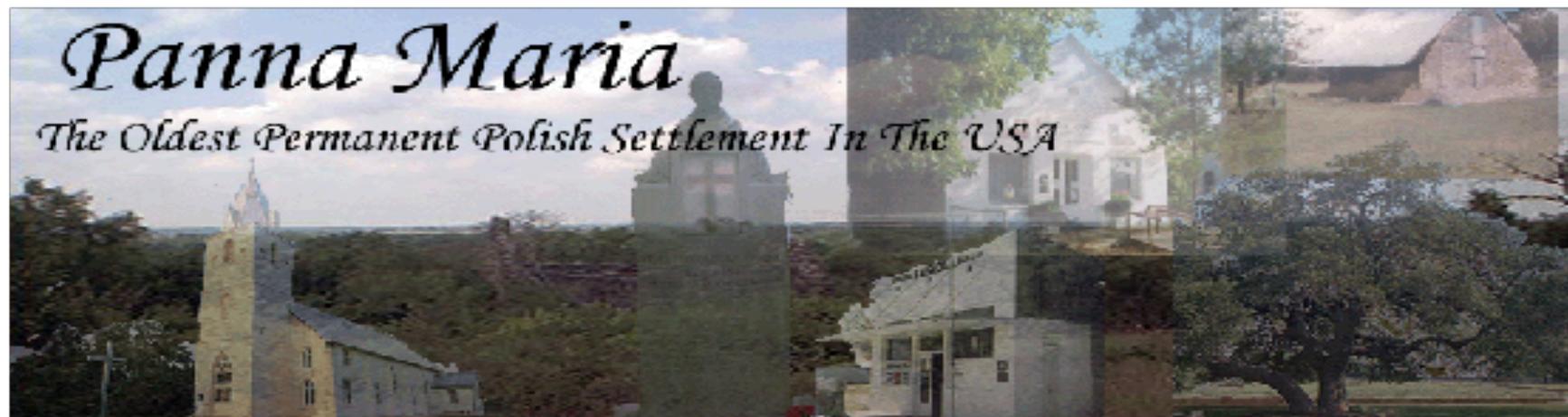
What is Panna Maria?

- a. Tadeusz Kosciuszko's famous maid
- b. The first Polish woman to arrive to America in 17th century
- c. Name of a colony in Texas, where Polish immigrants settled in 19th century

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Panna Maria is the oldest Polish settlement in the U.S. Polish immigrants settled in Texas in 1854, creating an agricultural community that carried their native traditions, customs, and language.

Panna Maria, Texas, was often called a Polish colony because of its ethnic and cultural isolation from Texas, and remains an unincorporated community in Texas.



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What is Orchard Lake famous for?

- a. Orchards with Polish apple trees
- b. Battle won by Tadeusz Kościuszko
- c. Polish Seminary

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Orchard Lake in Michigan is home to the only Polish Seminary - SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminary. Established in late 1800s the seminary has educated dozens of priests who have served in the Polish parishes throughout the United States.



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