

## **Vent Haven Museum**

The Vent Haven Museum, located in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, is home to the world's largest collection of ventriloquist dummies. It is housed within a private home and several small outbuildings. The museum features hundreds of ventriloquist dummies, displayed in various themed rooms. Some rooms have shelves of dummies, while others feature dummies sitting in rows of chairs. There are clown dummies, animal dummies, zombie dummies, and even presidential dummies.

The creator of the museum, William Shakespeare Berger, was a Cincinnati businessman, and former president of the International Brotherhood of Ventriloquists. He collected ventriloquist dummies for sixty years, eventually amassing a collection of over 800. In addition, the museum frequently receives donated dummies. Some of the dummies of Vent Haven are worth thousands of dollars. One such dummy, a grinning red monkey dummy, is worth over \$30,000. The Vent Haven Museum even holds an annual convention known as the Vent Haven Convention, which attracts ventriloquists from throughout the United States.

**1. What question is answered in the first paragraph?**

- A. How many dummies are displayed in the Vent Haven museum?
- B. How did the Vent Haven museum get its name?
- C. What kind of dummies are displayed in the Vent Haven museum?
- D. Who created the Vent Haven museum?

**2. Which is NOT true about the Vent Haven Museum?**

- A. It was founded by a Cincinnati businessman
- B. The museum does not accept donated dummies
- C. There is one dummy in the collection worth \$30,000
- D. The museum is located within a private home and small outbuildings

**3. What does the word “annual” imply in the following sentence?**

The Vent Haven Museum even holds an annual convention known as the Vent Haven Convention, which attracts ventriloquists from throughout the United States.

- A. It happens every year
- B. It happens only once
- C. It is important
- D. It is the only conference ventriloquists attend

**4. Which of the following is true about William Shakespeare Berger?**

- A. He collected dummies for sixty years
- B. He was once the president of the International Brotherhood of Ventriloquists
- C. He had a collection of over 800 dummies
- D. All of the above are true

**5. Which of the following dummies does the author describe as valuable?**

- A. Presidential dummy
- B. Soldier dummy
- C. Zombie dummy
- D. Monkey dummy