

1998 Harvard T-Party

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TOSSUP 1

George and Junior, Spike, Red Hot Riding Hood, Droopy, and Screwy Squirrel were among the many creations of, FAQTP, what manic animator, who also helped create Daffy Duck and Porky Pig while at Warner Bros. from 1935-1941?

Answer: Tex _AVERY_

TOSSUP 2

Milton Levine (la-VEEN) had the idea July 4, 1956 while watching the ground by his sister's swimming pool. He sold his first for \$2.98, and since then Uncle Milton Industries has sold about 20 million in several models. If you order the inhabitants too you'll get Pogonomyrmex californicus from the Mojave desert, but federal law prohibits shipping the queen for, FTP, what popular toy for amateur myrmecologists?

ANSWER: _ANT FARM_ (accept equivalent)

TOSSUP 3

CBS's broadcast of the 1987 Tour de France was rather unmemorable, except for a certain bit of theme music. It was so popular with viewers that this composer privately manufactured and sold over thirty thousand tapes out of his garage. He has won Emmys for musical composition -- and also investigative journalism. He later wrote "Roundball Rock," better known as the theme to "The NBA on NBC." For a shameful 10 points, name this keyboardist.

Answer: John _TESH_

TOSSUP 4

Marilyn Monroe once said it's what she wore to bed. Created in 1922 and based on an aldehyde, it was one of the first perfumes based on a completely synthetic smell. FTP what scent takes its name from the designer of the little black dress?

ANSWER: _CHANEL NO. 5_

TOSSUP 5

Her brother Buddy was a regular on _Mayberry RFD_, where she made her TV debut. Early films like _Napoleon and Samantha_ & _One Little Indian_ were made for Disney, for which she continued to work even after darker roles like _The Little Girl Who Lives Down the Lane_ and the child prostitute whom Travis Bickle tries to rescue. FTP what 2-time Oscar winner was most recently seen in _Contact_?

ANSWER: Jodie _FOSTER_

TOSSUP 6

It begins with a parody of the "Night on Bald Mountain" sequence from _Fantasia_, ends with _Tannhauser's_ overture, and in between includes bad ballet, the fattest horse in screen history, and Bugs Bunny in drag again as Brunhilda. FTP what is this cartoon featuring the Wagnerian "Kill da Wabbit" by Elmer Fudd?

ANSWER: _WHAT'S OPERA, DOC?_

TOSSUP 7

George Harrison ran for Parliament as its candidate in 1992 and Doug Henning did the same in Canada in 1993. Its US headquarters is Maharishi International Univ. in Fairfield, Iowa. FTP what practice requiring twice-daily invocation of mantras was made popular by guru-to-the-Beatles Maharishi Mahesh Yogi?

ANSWER: _TRANSCENDENTAL MEDITATION_ (prompt on TM)

TOSSUP 8

On _All in the Family_ he played Archie Bunker's buddy Stretch Cunningham, and he's worked steadily in character parts for 30 years, including recent roles in _The Education of Little Tree_ and a brief appearance in the sequel to the movie that first made him well-known. The corrupt Captain Dudley Smith in _L. A. Confidential_, Zefram Cochrane in _Star Trek: First Contact_, and the farmer who owns a talented pig in _Babe_ were all roles played by, FTP, what actor?

ANSWER: James _CROMWELL_

TOSSUP 9

His ego disowned him, and crashed a party for female cops, but was crushed by his monstrous insecurities when it fell down and crushed it. He discovered a formula for antigravity, built an android, and discovered how to clone himself, though he botched its mathematics, causing it to instead create a hologram and bad chili con carne recipe. His dog conducted a campaign to ban opera from television, and was made leader of Elbonia. FTP, identify this hapless Scott Adams comic strip character.

ANSWER: _DILBERT_

TOSSUP 10

This genre's artists include Juanita Coulson, The Black Book Band, Meg Davis, Julia Ecklar, Steve McDonald, and Ookla the Mok. Its name came from a misspelling in a report on a gathering of aficionados after a science fiction convention. FTP, identify this type of music, which had its origins in 1950s science fiction conventions, where fans would gather write and perform songs about works of science fiction and fantasy.

ANSWER: _FILK_

TOSSUP 11

He has appeared in both Airplane and Airplane 2 in religious roles. His stock-in-trade parts, however, were as smarmy, amoral people. He played the leeching, oversexed Charlie Dietz, who lived next door to Dr. Harry Westin. Before that, however, his TV appearances usually came with text at the bottom of the screen -- like "No free dental plan," "This part is actually true," and, of course, "He's Lying." FTP, name this actor famous for his role as the mendacious Joe Isuzu.

ANSWER: David _LEISURE_

TOSSUP 12

The president of the organizing committee for the April 1997 one was Michael Bader, and the American women's team consisted of Lank and Patti, the American men's of Disher and Craig. This was be the third time it had been held in Berne, in the Allmend ice stadium. FTP, identify this premier event of its sport, played on a 138 by 14 foot sheet of ice with 42 pound granite stones.

ANSWER: _WORLD CURLING CHAMPIONSHIPS_

TOSSUP 13

While on Earth in the 1880s, they picked up Jack the Ripper, who became one of their Inquisitors. Their mention prompted the Walkers, who hold them in contempt, to assist the Army of Light. When one showed himself to save a leader's life, he appeared to each diplomat present as one of their holy beings. The youngest of the First Ones, they were one of the few to remain in our galaxy after the defeat of the Shadows in about 7740 BC. FTP, identify this race on Babylon 5 whose members include former ambassador Kosh Naranek, rarely seen out of their encounter suits.

ANSWER: _VORLONS_

TOSSUP 14

When asked what he would do to the man who shot and paralyzed him, he responded that he would "Poke his eyes out. Rip his balls off. Pull his fingernails out. But I wouldn't kill him." He says pedophilia, bestiality, and necrophilia are "beyond the norm", though he admitted to experimenting with the second, but accepts most anything else. The only person to whom he would offer \$20 million to pose nude, he said, is Hillary Clinton, although she isn't likely to appear in Hustler anytime soon. FTP, identify this man, recently portrayed by Woody Harrelson.

ANSWER: Larry _FLYNT_

TOSSUP 15

It contained a car chase scene done in reverse, a crooked cop caught with a crooked judge, a rocket scientist, and a smartmouthed plant delivery boy played by John Murray. It was about a group of people who have to go to traffic school for various reasons, including being pushed into traffic while in a mobile puppet stage. FTP, name this movie which airs frequently on "Comedy Central."

Answer: _MOVING VIOLATIONS_

TOSSUP 16

His catchphrase comes from First Corinthians 15:10. He first appeared in E. C. Segar's comic strip _Thimble Theatre_ on January 15, 1929, wearing an all-white sailor suit instead of the familiar blue pants and black jersey with a red collar. He stroked three hairs on the head of the Whiffle Hen for strength instead of eating an herb from the goosefoot family. FTP, what character replaced Ham Gravy as Olive Oyl's perennial suitor and favorite spinach eater?

ANSWER: _POPEYE_ the Sailor Man

TOSSUP 17

He recently returned to Broadway in the musical "1776," playing the role of John Adams. His previous TV guest appearances included recurring roles as perpetually unlucky redneck Bob Wheeler on Night Court and as Dr. Noonien Soong on Star Trek: The Next Generation -- a show on which he also appeared in other roles. FTP, name this man who released an album entitled "Old Yellow Eyes" in tribute to his role as Commander Data.

Answer: Brent _SPINER_

TOSSUP 18

He considered his recovery from a renal failure in November 22, 1963 a miracle of Saint Anthony. His only movie, "Sincerely Yours", was a failure, though his 1950s television program was carried by more stations than "I Love Lucy" at its peak, and was played 10 times a week by one New York station. His first gigs were in Milwaukee nightspots during his teens, under the name Walter Buster Keys, but he soon played such venues as Carnegie Hall and the Hollywood Bowl,

where he wore a white suit to distinguish him from the other players. FTP, identify this flamboyant pianist, known as "Mr Showmanship", who has a museum in Las Vegas.
ANSWER: Wladzui (or Walter) Valentino _LIBERACE_

TOSSUP 19

He ran away from his parents and their farm, hoping to make a living as a thief, when Garkin took him on as an apprentice. All was well until an Imp assassin killed Garkin, who had stranded the Pervect Aahz in Klah without his powers, who then joined up with him to combat the evil Isstvan, who sought to control all the magikal energy of all dimensions. FTP, identify this hero of Robert Asprin's "Myth" series.
ANSWER: _SKEEVE_

TOSSUP 20

When the third hole was plugged up, a Captain Crunch whistle from the 1970s would produce a sound at this frequency. When AT&T, in order to cut costs, put its long-distance signaling and voice systems on the same circuit, this tone would make the internal dial circuits accessible, allowing blue box-wielding phone phreakers to wreak havoc. FTP, identify this frequency which inspired the name of a popular hacker periodical.
ANSWER: _2600 HERTZ_

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BONUS 1

Carnival sideshows are a dying form of pop culture; can you contribute at least to the survival of their lingo? Give the following sideshow terms from definitions FTPE.

1. A performer whose act consists of ingesting small animals alive or dead, whole or in part.

ANSWER: GEEK (accept "Glomming GEEK," a more specific answer)

2. The numerical term for multiple sideshow attractions under one tent or roof which you can see for one admission price.

ANSWER: TEN-IN-ONE

3. A two-word term for bottled oddities like deformed babies and 2-headed calves.

ANSWER: PICKLED PUNKS

BONUS 2

Given the characters, name the John Hughes film, FTP each.

1. Gary Wallace, Wyatt Donnelly, Lisa

Answer: WEIRD SCIENCE

2. Neal Page, Del Griffith

Answer: PLANES, TRAINS, AND AUTOMOBILES

3. Samantha Baker, Jake Ryan, and Farmer Ted

Answer: SIXTEEN CANDLES

BONUS 3

Given a description of the Hall of Fame baseball announcer, ID him for the stated number of points.

5: Though he broadcast longest for the St. Louis Cardinals, he's remembered for stints in Chicago with the White Sox & Cubs.

ANSWER: Harry CARAY

10: He began broadcasting for the Cincinnati Reds but was best known as the voice of the Brooklyn Dodgers

ANSWER: Walter "Red" BARBER

15: He's been the Dodgers' broadcaster in Spanish since 1959.

ANSWER: Jaime JARRIN (ha-reen)

BONUS 4

An impressive array of talent got started in the films Piranha (1978) & Piranha II: The Spawning (1981). If you can ID each of the following from his Piranha credit you'll get 10PE, if you need another clue you'll get 5PE.

1. 10: He directed the original Piranha.

5: His most famous movies are 2 about little land critters who get voracious when wet.

ANSWER: Joe DANTE

2. 10: His 1st screenplay was Piranha.

5: He's better known as writer-director of films like Matewan, Lone Star, & Passion Fish.
ANSWER: John SAYLES

3. 10: Piranha II, in which the mutant fish go airborne, was his directorial debut.
5: In his recent huge hit over a thousand people wound up feeding the fishes.
ANSWER: James CAMERON

BONUS 5

Name the American celebrity 30-20-10.

30: He almost made his movie debut in 1956 as Katherine Hepburn's younger brother in The Rainmaker.

20: In the best-attested version of the story, it was Robert Goulet's appearance in 1974 that led him to shoot out his television.

10: He preceded Michael Jackson as a rock star with an ape, though whether he and his chimp Scatter shared fried peanut butter-&-banana sandwiches is unknown.

ANSWER: Elvis PRESLEY

BONUS 6

ID the ubiquitous sitcom from OTHER clues about its stars 30-20-10-5.

30: The father of one cast member, who shared his name and looked just like him, played Little John in Errol Flynn's Robin Hood.

20: A nother had an appropriate role as a scientist killed by aliens in the prophetically titled This Island Earth.

10: Another played James Dean's ineffectual father in Rebel without a Cause.

5: Another played Dobie Gillis' pal Maynard G. Krebs.

ANSWER: GILLIGAN'S ISLAND

(Alan Hale Jr, Russell Johnson, Jim Backus, Bob Denver)

BONUS 7

Giant rampaging invertebrates were popular monsters in 1950s movies like Tarantula. Given a film title, ID the giant critter or critters FTPE, or if you need more you'll get 5PE.

1. 10: The Beginning of the End

5: Peter Graves lures their swarm to its death in Lake Michigan.

ANSWER: GRASSHOPPERS or LOCUSTS

2. 10: Them!

5: They're finished off in the Los Angeles sewers by Peter's brother James Arness.

ANSWER: ANTS

3. 10: It Came from Beneath the Sea

5: It attacks the Golden Gate Bridge, courtesy of Ray Harryhausen.

ANSWER: OCTOPUS (not "squid")

BONUS 8

For 10 points each, given a song and a person or group who performed a parody of it, name the parody.

1. "My Sharona," John Cougar Mamoser

ANSWER: NINE CORONAS or TEN CORONAS

["My Bologna" is by Al Yankovic]

2. "Under the Bridge" and "Give it Away", "Weird Al" Yankovic

ANSWER: _BEDROCK ANTHEM_ [it is a parody of both songs]

3. "Dance of the Hours", Allan Sherman

ANSWER: _HELLO MUDDAH, HELLO FADDUH_

BONUS 9

Identify the television program, 30-20-10

[30] Its first episode was titled "The New Housekeeper".

[20] Ellie Walker is a pharmacist introduced in the 6th episode who runs for City Council

[10] The new housekeeper is Aunt Bee.

ANSWER: The _ANDY GRIFFITH SHOW_

BONUS 10

Identify the following real and fictional food products FTP each.

1. If the psychokinetic energy usually present in New York were represented as one of these comestibles, according to Egon Spengler, then the energy present just before the containment unit was shut down by the EPA would be a 30 foot long version of the same.

ANSWER: TWINKIE

2. This product pairing, consumed by Homer Simpson (a white male aged 18-49), bears the message on its can "Together at Last!"

ANSWER: _NUTS AND GUM_

3. In the song "I Remember Larry", Larry bakes a batch of brownies with this inside of them.

ANSWER: _EX-LAX_

BONUS 11

Inveterate gamblers, pay attention and, FTP each, identify each of these Las Vegas hotel/casinos.

1. This hotel was bought by Benny Binion and merged with Binion's Horseshoe Hotel and Casino.

ANSWER: _MINT_ Hotel

2. This Brazilian-themed hotel, opened in 1990 and famous for its buffet, was the first all-suite hotel to have a casino.

ANSWER: _RIO SUITE_ Hotel and Casino

3. When this hotel opened in 1946, everyone from the janitors to Bugsy Siegel wore tuxedos.

ANSWER: Fabulous _FLAMINGO_

BONUS 12

Name the video game from the mangled English, for ten points each.

1) This game's introductory screen opens with, "Once upon a time, there were a man."

Answer: _SAMURAI SHODOWN_ [sic]

2) The manual for this game introduces the plot thusly: "We've found Nazz's top secret material called Abatros, a plan which never was put to practice. Imperial forces Generalissimo Killt had never seen this plan, and decided to materialize this plan. The federation decided to stop his attempt by sending our hero Super Joe, but lost contact with him."

Answer: _BIONIC COMMANDO_

3) In this game, characters hurl insults at each other including "You spoony bard!" and "You licentious howler!"

Answer: _F_inal _F_antasy _2_ (prompt on FF4; reluctantly accept FF4 US or FF4 English)

[note: In Japan, the game was released as FF4, whereas in the US it was called FF2. Needless to say, only the US version contained the translation oddities.]

BONUS 13

This question is dedicated to Matt Bruce. Answer the following questions about the history of pornography in America FTPE.

1. Pocket-size risqué prints & photos once sold on streetcorners and from under counters were given this 2-word name to suggest they came from a place Americans associated with sexual wickedness

ANSWER: _FRENCH POSTCARD_s

2. Pornographic comic books featuring the uncensored adventures of familiar characters like Tarzan & Superman were given another 2-word name associating them with another place American tourists hoped was a den of iniquity.

ANSWER: _TIJUANA BIBLE_s

3. He was the biggest male porn star in American film history, the model for the central character in _Boogie Nights_, before he died of AIDS in 1985.

ANSWER: John _HOLMES_

BONUS 14

Name these defunct sitcoms F5PA with a bonus for all 5.

a. The monotone-voiced Vicki and her quote-unquote "family" are constantly trying to keep Vicki's true nature a secret from nosy neighbor Harriet.

Answer: _SMALL WONDER_

b. This sitcom featured two regular Simpsons voices, Hank Azaria and Yeardley Smith, as regulars.

Answer: _HERMAN'S HEAD_

c. Before Matt Le Blanc hit it big, he played -- surprise! -- a dumb guy in this Married... With Children spinoff, with Joe Bologna playing his dad.

Answer: _TOP OF THE HEAP_

d. Top of the Heap begat its own spinoff; Le Blanc returned in the same role, but he seemed a lot smarter compared to his new roommate. Joey Lauren Adams reprised her role as the slutty Mona Mullins.

Answer: _VINNIE AND BOBBY_

e. Paul Winfield played the snooty superintendent of the title building in Washington, DC.

Answer: _227_

BONUS 15

How much do you remember about In Living Color? Identify these recurring characters FTSNOP.

a. F5P, Jim Carrey played this public safety official who frequently caused himself grievous injury.

Answer: _FIRE MARSHAL BILL_

b. F5PA, give either the first or last names of the two Men on Film, played by Damon Wayans and David Alan Grier.

Answer: _BLAINE_ or _EDWARDS_ and _ANTOINE_ or _MERRIWETHER_ (accept "Tony" for Antoine, from the episode when a falling stage light knocked Blaine back to straight-ness and he revealed Antoine's real name)

c. F15P, this Kim Wayans character was constantly saying, "But I ain't one to gossip, so you ain't heard that from me."

Answer: Bonita _BETTRELL_

BONUS 16

a. FTP, what humorist and math professor at Harvard and UC Santa Cruz composed such timeless classics as "The Old Dope Peddler," "Smut," and "The Vatican Rag"?

Answer: Tom _LEHRER_

Now, complete these immortal lines from some of Tom Lehrer's works.

b. The matador did what we wanted him to / He raised his sword and his aim was true / In that moment of truth I suddenly knew..."

Answer: That _SOMEONE HAD STOLEN MY WALLET_

c. I remember Dan / The druggist on the corner, he / Was never mean or ornery, he was swell / He..."

Answer: _KILLED HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW_ and ground her up real well / And sprinkled just a bit / Over each banana split

BONUS 17

Who controls the British crown? Who keeps the metric system down? First FTP, which spoof of a Masonic organization did Homer Simpson join and then lead by virtue of a prophesied birthmark?

ANSWER: the _STONECUTTERS_

b. For 5 points each, identify the four members of the Stonecutters' World Council, who were called in to decide on a response to Homer's attempt to turn them into a charitable organization.

ANSWER: _MISTER T_
Orville _REDENBACHER_
Jack _NICHOLSON_
George _BUSH_

BONUS 18

Identify the song, 30-20-10.

[30] Dave Barry wrote that „as a cultural achievement, it is on a par with the Mona Lisa' and Hamlet.

[20] Many, Dave Barry among them, were convinced that it contained, either recorded forwards or backwards, profanity. Richard Dreyfuss's character Mr. Holland, a music teacher, used it to instruct a slow student.

[10] It was written by the late Richard Berry, and performed by the Kingsmen.

ANSWER: _LOUIE, LOUIE_

BONUS 19

FTP each, identify each character from Capcom's original Street Fighter II.

1.This speedy character can jump from the walls in the background of his Spanish fighting venue.

ANSWER: _VEGA_

2.This scarred wrestler in red tights can perform the dreaded spinning piledriver.

ANSWER: _ZANGIEF_

3.Guile hates M. Bison for having tortured this friend of his to death.

ANSWER: _CHARLIE_

BONUS 20

Hulk Hogan has announced he's running for the presidency in 2000, so we'd better familiarize ourselves with his past career. For example, at Wrestlemania I, held in 1985, Hulk and Mr. T. fought together against, FTPA, what two other wrestlers?

Answer: Rowdy Roddy _PIPER_

"Mr. Wonderful" Paul _ORNDORF_

For ten more points, what rock star accompanied Hulk and T to ringside?

Answer: Cyndi _LAUPER_