

SNEWT II: Grandson of QOTC, 1998

Tossups by Matt Bruce of Boston University (and some things by Robert Whaples)

1. The aspiring playwright Konstantin Treplyov [tre-PLYOF] loves aspiring actress Nina Zarechnaya [zar-ech-NEYE-a]. When a private performance of his play ends with the audience's derisive laughter, however, he kills a bird at the lake and places it at her feet. She leaves him for the successful writer Trigorin, but when Trigorin casts her aside, she compares herself to the title animal, destroyed by a man's whim. For 10 points, identify this Anton Chekhov play.

Answer: The _SEAGULL_

2. Paul Newman and John Wayne were offered the chance to play this character, but they didn't want to. Frank Sinatra did want to play the role, but he had to turn it down because he had a sprained wrist and couldn't hold the .44 Magnum convincingly. This character appears in five movies made over a period of 17 years, and is famous for his tough-guy lines, one of which Ronald Reagan borrowed to intimidate Libya. For ten points name this character, SFPD Inspector 2211, played by Clint Eastwood.

Answer: _DIRTY HARRY_ or Harry _CALLAHAN_

3. Isolated by Sir Humphrey Davy in 1807, this element is manufactured by the Kastner Process, in which six parts fused caustic soda are mixed with one part carbon. A silvery white metal, it can easily be cut with a knife. Detected by spectroscopy from its bright yellow flame, it has an atomic weight of 22.98. For 10 points, what element has atomic number 11?

Answer: _SODIUM_

4. Political thought was dominated by the Legalist School. Great emphasis was placed on standardization: weights and measures were made uniform, and the emperor's adviser proposed the burning of all books but technical manuals. Szechuan was conquered, the Great Wall was constructed, and China became a unified empire. FTP, all these events took place during what short-lived third century BC dynasty, which followed the Chou and preceded the Han?

Answer: _CHIN_ or _QIN_

5. From the Guiana Highlands it flows northwest until dividing near La Esmeralda. Its main branch receives the Guaviare [gwa-ve-AH-ray] River, meets the Apure River, then flows into the Atlantic Ocean through the Llanos [ya-nos], or plains, of Venezuela. For 10 points, name the world's third largest river by drainage.

Answer: _ORINOCO_ River

6. Not actually related, they were born in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, and Santa Ana, California. On such shows as Shindig and Hullabaloo, they sang such hits as "Little Latin Lupe [LOO-pay] Lu"; "You're My Soul and Inspiration"; "Unchained Melody" and "You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin'."

Bobby Hatfield and Bill Medley were--for 10 points--what blue-eyed soul siblings?

Answer: The RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS

7. "In the past twelve months, have you given money or drugs to anyone to have sex with you?" "Have you ever had Chagas' disease or babesiosis?" "Were you born in or have you lived in Cameroon, the Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Niger, or Nigeria since 1977?" "Have you or any blood relative had Creutzfeld-Jacob Disease?" Answer these and more than thirty other questions correctly, and, for ten points, you can donate what fluid to the American Red Cross?

Answer: blood

8. Because it expresses faith in liberty and loathing of tyranny, it was chosen to reopen many opera houses after World War Two. Written soon after the French Revolution, its first production to French soldiers in Vienna was a failure; it is concerned with the search of Leonore for her lost husband, Florestan. For 10 points--name this sole opera of Ludwig van Beethoven.

Answer: FIDELIO

9. Antarctica was designated a "peaceful scientific preserve." South African police opened fire on a peaceful crowd of protesters in Sharpsville, killing 69 people. In Greensboro, North Carolina, four black students staged a lunch counter sit-in. The Soviets shot down a U-2 spy plane. Four debates were televised between presidential candidates Richard Nixon and John F. Kennedy. In what year--for 10 points--did these events occur?

Answer: 1960

10. When hecklers interrupted her speech and claimed she was a man in drag, she quieted them by flashing her breasts. Originally named Isabella, she adopted her more famous name when she heard voices that commanded her to do so in 1843. For ten points, name this slave-turned-abolitionist.

Answer: Sojourner Truth

11. Mr. Sugiyama is a repressed businessman living north of Tokyo with his wife and child. On his way home one night, he spots a lonely young woman at a window. Infatuated, he enrolls himself at her dance studio. This forms the plot of, for 10 points, what 1997 Japanese movie which gained wide attention in the United States and which takes its title from a song from the musical "The King and I"?

Answer: SHALL WE DANCE?

12. She founded the Hampstead Child Therapy Course and Clinic in London 1947, two years after she had started the journal Psychoanalytical Study of the Child. Twice during her

lifetime she was accused of being an enemy alien by the British government, first in 1914 and later in 1939, one year after she escaped to London from the Nazi invasion of Austria. FTP, name this Anglo Austrian psychologist, whose career began when her more famous father psychoanalyzed her.

Answer: A_nna _FREUD_

13. During his 1945 trial he kept talking to himself and reading dime store novels while important witnesses testified against him. Many thought that this was a ploy to fake insanity and win pity from the international panel of four judges. If it was, it worked, because unlike 12 of his co defendants, he wasn't sentenced to death by hanging, but only life imprisonment. For ten points, name this war criminal who, after being convicted at Nuremberg, spent the rest of his life in Spandau prison.

Answer: Rudolf _HESS_

14. He entered a London hospital as a medical student in 1815 but gave up medicine to write poetry. In September 1818, as his brother Tom was dying, he met Fanny Brawne and was engaged to her by Christmas. In 1820, however, ill from consumption, he sailed to Italy with the artist Joseph Severn and died in Rome the following February. For ten points, name this Romantic poet who wrote The Eve of Saint Agnes and Endymion.

Answer: John _KEATS_

15. Some tribes treat nosebleeds with the smoke from this animal's burning skin. Their genus name means "one who walks swiftly." Their species name shows that they were once thought to be a cross between camels and leopards. Featured in African cave art, they begin life with a six-foot fall to earth. For 10 points--name these sub-Saharan tall creatures.

Answer: _giraffe_

16. By its terms, America was given a limited right to free trade in the West Indies; the United States was allowed to claim damages when the British seized American naval vessels and impressed U.S. sailors; and Britain was required to leave its military posts in the Northwest Territory within two years. FTP, identify this controversial 1794 treaty, which helped avert war with Britain but prompted mobs to burn in effigy the treaty's namesake negotiator, the first chief justice of the Supreme Court.

Answer: _JAY'S TREATY_

17. She believed that Lizzy Borden did kill her parents, and she recreated the crime for television with lawyer Joseph Welch. Despite her extensive knowledge of the crime, however, she changed some facts to aide her choreography when created Fall River Legend. For ten points, name this choreographer of Oklahoma! and Brigadoon.

Answer: Agnes _DEMILLE_

18. One of its prime factors is three; the other is the greatest integer smaller than the quantity (e to the power of π). In binary it is one, zero, zero, zero, one, zero, one. In hexadecimal it is 45. For 10 points--what base-ten number is the subject of both this tossup and lots of sexual innuendo?

Answer: sixty-nine (69)

19. Count Hermann Carl von Keyserlingk [KYE-zer-link] of Dresden had trouble sleeping, so he commissioned these tranquil pieces of music for his personal musician to play and lull him to sleep. Originally titled "Aria with 30 Variations," they are known today by the name of the Count's clavier player. For ten points, name these works loved by the pianist Glenn Gould and written by J.S. Bach.

Answer: GOLDBERG VARIATIONS (from Johann Gottlieb Goldberg)

20. In 1951, he killed his wife when he tried to imitate William Tell by shooting a glass off her head. He invented experimental writing techniques such as the routine, a satirical fantasy that the author composes through improvisation, and the cutup, a collage technique in which the writer literally cuts up and recombines his text. For ten points, name this author of *Nova Express* and *The Ticket that Exploded*.

Answer: William S. BURROUGHS

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Bonus questions by Matt Bruce of Boston University

1. Answer the following about the Roman poet Ovid, 5-10-15.

For 5: This fifteen-book work contains the history of the world from chaos to Julius Caesar.

Answer: METAMORPHOSES

For 10: This is a set of dramatic monologues by such mythical lovers as Paris and Helen.

Answer: HEROIDES

For 15: Ovid was exiled by Augustus to Tomi, a city on the northwest coast of--for 15 points--what body of water?

Answer: BLACK Sea

2. Identify these chemical bonding terms for 10 points each.

a) This term describes the outer shell electrons of an atom or ion.

Answer: VALENCE

b) This two-word phrase describes a bond in which both electrons of a shared pair come from the same atom.

Answer: COORDINATE COVALENT (prompt on "covalent")

c) This four-letter word describes a nonlinear molecule. It can be planar or nonplanar.

Answer: BENT

3. The Latin inscription "Si monumentum requiris, circumspice" translates to "If you seek a monument, look around."

a) For 10 points each--name the man who died in 1723 whose burial tablet bears this inscription; and the church under whose choir he was buried.

Answer: Sir Christopher WREN, SAINT PAUL'S Cathedral

b) Wren got most of his work commissions following the Great Fire of London in--for 10 points--what year?

Answer: _1666_

4. Answer the following about Oliver Hazard Perry for 10 points each.

a) Perry was given command of U.S. naval forces on this body of water during the War of 1812.

Answer: Lake _ERIE_

b) On September 10, 1813, he defeated the British fleet on Lake Erie and announced the victory to William Henry Harrison with this nine-word sentence.

Answer: _We have met the enemy and they are ours._

c) Perry won the battle because, at a crucial moment, he chose to change flagships. For five points apiece, what ship did Perry evacuate and what ship did Perry board and make his new flagship?

Answer: USS _LAWRENCE_ and the USS _NIAGARA_

5. On February 6, 1966, the Oshawa Generals and the Niagara Falls Flyers, two junior league teams, played an exhibition at an NHL rink. Two future teammates faced each other there for the first time, four years before they collaborated on a game-winning goal that would give their team its first Stanley Cup in 29 years and send one of them airborne.

a) For 10 points each--name these two hockey legends.

Answer: Bobby _ORR_, Derek _SANDERSON_

b) For 10 points--at what venue did Orr and Sanderson first meet each other before it became their home ice?

Answer: _BOSTON GARDEN_

[Cruelly mock anyone who answers "Fleet Center" -- unacceptable because it is a different venue which did not exist until the 1990s.]

6. Name these Theodore Dreiser novels from descriptions for 10 points each.

a) The title character is rescued from Chicago poverty by a traveling salesman but leaves him for George Hurstwood and stardom on stage.

Answer: _SISTER CARRIE_

b) Clyde Griffiths seduces factory employee Roberta Alden but falls in love with aristocrat Sondra Finchley. He then takes Roberta on a fatal rowing expedition.

Answer: An AMERICAN TRAGEDY

c) The title character is impregnated by an Ohio senator who promises to marry her but then dies. She becomes the mistress of Lester Kane.

Answer: JENNIE GERHARDT

7. Name these methods of corporate fundraising for 10 points each.

A. This type of stock includes voting rights in addition to the right to receive dividends.

Answer: COMMON stock

B. This type of stock is usually non-voting but its holders receive priority in the distribution of dividends.

Answer: PREFERRED stock

C. This four-letter word refers to money that, unlike equity capital, must be repaid, with periodic interest payments regardless of earnings. It may or may not be in the form of bonds.

Answer: DEBT

8. Answer the following about Odin for 10 points each.

a) Odin became all-wise by drinking from the fountain of what Norse god of wisdom?

Answer: MIMIR

b) What body part did Odin have to surrender to gain the right to drink >from Mimir's fountain?

Answer: an EYE

c) What is the name of Odin's eight-legged horse?

Answer: SLEIPNIR

9. Give the following words related to the Soviet Union and the thawing of the Cold War for 10 points each.

a) This French word described relations between the superpowers during the era of Richard Nixon and Leonid Brezhnev, before tensions rose with the 1979 invasion of Afghanistan.

Answer: _DETENTE_ (loosely translates to "release from tension")

b) The term first appeared during the judicial reforms of Alexander II, and re-emerged to describe loosening of restrictions on free speech. It has no precise English equivalent but can be translated loosely as candor.

Answer: _GLASNOST'_

c) This word that literally means "acceleration" refers to Gorbachev's early efforts to impose discipline on Russian workers and to make the economy more efficient.

Answer: _USKORENIYE_

10. Name the following from the Platonic dialogue _Protagoras_ for 10 points each.

a) The dialogue begins with mention that this "captivating" Athenian statesman has grown a beard.

Answer: _ALCIBIADES_

b) Protagoras defines this five-letter word as the ability to succeed in both public and private life.

Answer: _ARETE_

c) Socrates tries to convince Protagoras that all virtues are equivalent to this type of virtue.

Answer: _KNOWLEDGE_

11. Name these men in the life of Mary, Queen of Scots for the stated number of points.

a) For 5 points each--her father and her son, both of whom were Kings of Scotland.

Answer: _JAMES THE FIFTH_, _JAMES THE SIXTH_ (or _James the First_ of England)
(prompt on "James")

b) For 10 points each--her cousin, whom she married; and her favorite counselor, whom her husband had murdered.

Answer: Henry Lord _DARNLEY_, David _RIZZIO_

12. Name these concepts from the works of Max Weber 15 points each.

a) According to Weber, in this process, traditional modes of thinking are replaced by efficiency analysis concerned with social control.

Answer: _rationalization_

b) Weber thought that the archetype of rationalization was this large, formal organization characterized by a hierarchical authority structure, division of labor, written rules and impersonality.

Answer: _bureaucracy_

13. Think you can get an "A" in biology? Identify these terms for 10 points each.

a) A process that requires expenditure of ATP energy to move molecules across a cell membrane, usually against the concentration gradient.

Answer: _ACTIVE TRANSPORT_

b) A group of cells rich in protein granules, the outer layer of the endosperm of many grain seeds.

Answer: _ALEURONE_ layer

c) Index of propulsive efficiency obtained by dividing the square of a fish's fin height by the fin area.

Answer: _ASPECT_ ratio

14. Early in the movie The Princess Bride, Buttercup is abducted and taken to sea, where she jumps overboard rather than remain with her three captors. For 10 points each--name the actors who play Vizzini, Fezzik, and Inigo Montoya.

Answer: Wallace _SHAWN_, _ANDRE THE GIANT_, Mandy _PATINKIN_

15. Answer the following questions about New Hampshire for 10 points each.

a) This four-word motto comes from the writing of Revolutionary General John Stark.

Answer: _LIVE FREE OR DIE_

b) Predictably, this is New Hampshire's state rock.

Answer: _GRANITE_

c) This highest point in New Hampshire has recorded some of the coldest temperatures and strongest winds in the continental U.S.

Answer: Mount _WASHINGTON_

16. Name these parts of the cursus honorum, the pecking order of ancient Rome, for 10 points each.

a) One of eight magistrates whose duty was to administer justice.

Answer: _PRAETOR_

b) One of ten magistrates, considered sacred, whose duty was to represent the will of the plebeian populace.

Answer: _TRIBUNE_

c) One of the two chief magistrates, chosen each year in the Campus Martius.

Answer: _CONSUL_

17. In Shakespeare's _Macbeth_, the title character meets three witches, each of whom has a familiar. For five points each, name the three familiars; for another five points, tell what type of animal each one is.

Answers: _GRAYMALKIN_ the _CAT_, _PADDOCK_ the _FROG_, _HARPIER_ the _BIRD_ or _HARPY_

18. A grand piano has 88 keys. A chromatic scale has 12 notes.

A. While most notes have seven keys on a grand piano, each an octave apart, four notes have eight keys apiece. For 5 points each--name those notes.

Answer: _A_, _A sharp_ or _B flat_, _B_, _C_

B. For 10 points how many black keys does a piano have?

Answer: _thirty-six_ (36)

19. Some American Indians believe that the July 1998 birth and brief life of an animal named Spirit Walker foretells an age of world peace.

A. For 10 points each--what type of animal was she; and what color was she?

Answer: _BUFFALO_ or _BISON_, _WHITE_

B. Spirit Walker is the seventh white buffalo calf known to Lakota Indians, who are part of--for 10 points--what Indian nationality?

Answer: _SIOUX_

20. 30-20-10 . Name the author from works.

30) Oregon and El Dorado or Romance of the Rivers

20) The Boy Inventor

10) The Age of Fable

Answer: Thomas _BULFINCH_