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1. Educated at the University of Iowa, he taught journalism at Drake University from 1929 to 1931. Joining a New York Advertising agency in 1932, he specialized in measuring the effect of advertising by interviewing people chosen by a scientific selection method. FTP, identify this man who in 1935 organized the American Institute of Public Opinion and had his surveying method used to predict the outcome of the 1936 Presidential election.

Answer: George Horace \_GALLUP\_

2. This nation of three million people asked all but a half dozen foreign aid providers to leave after it achieved independence because it did not want to become dependent on any foreign organization. The new nation named its currency after the mountain retreat of Nakfa, where its resistance movement holed up against the Ethiopian army for ten years before winning the country's independence in 1991. For ten points, name this African nation, with its principal seaport at Massawa and its capital at Asmara.

Answer: \_ERITREA\_

3. Give the common last name. George was born in 1834 in Paris, and he contributed artwork to \_Punch\_ magazine. His novel \_The Martian\_ was published posthumously in 1897, and he is also the author of the novel \_Peter Ibbetson\_. His granddaughter is also a noted author who published

such novels as \_Frenchmans Creek\_. FTP, give the common last names of George, the author of \_Trilby\_, and Daphne, the author of \_My Cousin Rachel\_.

Answer: \_DU MAURIER\_

4. Most of them were proposed in a speech to Parliament on March 9, 1764. Their intent was to strengthen the economic ties of the American colonies to Great Britain following the 7 Years War. The first of them that was enacted was the Sugar Act. This was followed by the Quartering Act and the Stamp Act. FTP, give the collective name of these acts that comes from the name of the British prime minister who proposed them.

Answer: \_GRENVILLE\_ Acts [DNA Intolerable Acts -- a second Quartering Act was one of the Intolerable Acts, but they were enacted later]

5. Legislation for this event is set down in Leviticus 25:10. During it, liberty was to be proclaimed with the sound of a trumpet. Hebrew slaves were to be freed and land was to revert to its original owner and lie fallow. FTP, identify this Jewish event, which is supposed to take place after a Sabbath of Sabbaths, or every fifty years.

Answer: \_JUBILEE\_

6. This story is told by three different narrators. The nephew of a woman who has let a room to the main character's alter ego reports his own opinion in the "Editor's Preface"; the hero describes his state and that of the nation in his "Notes"; and an unknown author discourses in a "Tractate" on the hero's alias. Many critics feel that there is a spiritual kinship between the author and the main character, since both have the initials H.H. FTP, name this novel, the assumed name of one

Harry Haller, a creation of Herman Hesse.

## ANSWER: \_STEPPENWOLF\_

7. As a federal judge, he once tried to extradite the Kaiser of Germany and was known for flamboyant self-promotion outside of the courtroom. Named to his most famous position in 1919, he beat out other candidates such as General Leonard Wood, General John J. Pershing, and former

President William Howard Taft. FTP, identify this man who was named after the Civil War battle at which his father lost his leg, and appointed commissioner of baseball in 1919.

Answer: Kennesaw Mountain \_LANDIS\_

8. Knee Play 1, Train, Trial, Dance 1, Night Train, Trial/Prison, Bed, and Spaceship are among the names of the components of this monumental 4-act opera. Written in 1975, it is the quintessential example of a style of music pioneered by its creator and adopted by Steve Reich and John Adams among others. FTP, name this opera with libretto by Robert Wilson and score by Philip Glass, which has no real plot but whose name refers to a famous German-American scientist.

Answer: \_EINSTEIN ON THE BEACH \_

9. He had already gained fame for his lectures at the Ecole de Guerre at the outbreak of World War I, when he became an infantry colonel in the French army. He was promoted to general on account of his service in the retreat from Cherleroi to the Marne, and he won a major victory at the

battle of Artois in 1915. In 1918, he became a national hero and a marshal of France as commander of the French defensive forces at Verdun. FTP, name this convicted traitor who is best known for establishing the Vichy puppet government after the Nazi invasion.

Answer: Henri Philippe \_PETAIN \_

10. Its orbit is inclined slightly less than a degree toward the ecliptic; the orbits elliptical shape causes its distance from the sun to vary by nearly 168 million miles during its revolution. It completes a rotation about its axis once every 10.7 hours, and its mean distance from the sun is 1.782 billion miles. Its 5 satellites include Umbriel and Miranda. FTP, name this planet, discovered by William Herschel in 1781 that is also orbited by Ariel, Titania, and Oberon.

Answer: \_URANUS\_

11. When its composer attended an 1827 performance of \_Hamlet\_, he became so infatuated with the actress playing Ophelia, Harriet Smithson, that he eventually decided to write this work in order to win her love. Subtitled "Episodes in the Life of an Artist" and completed in February, 1830, it is divided into 5 movements unified by a 40 bar theme, called the idee fixe, that is introduced after a short introduction in the first act, entitled \_A Ball\_. FTP, name this programmatic symphony by Hector Berlioz.

Answer: \_SYMPHONIE FANTASTIQUE\_

12. \_Maquiladora \_, \_Pearly\_, \_Palo Alto\_, \_Polyethylene\_ and \_Melatonin\_ are several songs by this band that do not appear on their majors albums. Lesser known titles that are on their major albums include \_Blow Out\_, \_Lurgee\_, \_Electioneering\_, and \_Planet Telex\_. The band consists of Phil Selway, Colin Greenwood, Ed OBrien, Jonny Greenwood, and Thom Yorke, and

their first album, \_Pablo Honey\_, was released in March, 1993. FTP, name this band whose songs \_Paranoid Android\_ and \_Karma Police\_ can be found on their 1997 album \_OK Computer\_.

Answer: \_RADIOHEAD\_

13. He gained his fortune by purchasing burning houses, extinguishing the flames with the help of slaves that were trained for that purpose, repairing the houses, and finally selling them at an enormous profit. In 55 BC, he was given control of Syria, and he prepared for war with the Parthians. After being defeated by the Parthians he was tricked into meeting with the Parthian general Surenas, and he was killed at the meetingplace by having molten gold poured down his throat. FTP, name this Roman leader who, in 60 BC, formed the First Triumvirate with Pompey and Caesar.

Answer: Marcus Licinius \_CRASSUS\_

14. One of them represents Austria in the European Parliament. Another is attempting to do the same for Sweden, and a third is involved in local politics in Spain. Still another is second-in charge at MTM-SBS, Hungary's first national private television network. Were his family still in power, this one would be second-in-line to the throne. All of these relatives are scions of, for ten points, what long-ruling royal house of Europe, decimated by the breakup of the dual monarchy in 1918?

Answer: \_HABSBURG\_

15. It is the last major tributary of the Rhine before the Rhine crosses into the Netherlands from Germany. Although it is only 145 miles long, it has occupied an important place in modern history; its valley's high concentration of anthracite supports a dense settlement of industry, which

grew under such firms as Krupp and Thyssen. The area was occupied by French and Belgian Forces on the grounds that they had not paid reparations until 1925 when the Dawes plan was accepted. FTP, name this river of the German State Nord Rhein-Westfallen

ANSWER: \_RUHR\_

16. This country was first unified in the 11th Century by King Anawrahta. Its highest peak is Hkakabo Razi, which forms part of the Kumon Range. The principle rivers of this country include the Ayeyarwady, the Thanlwin, and the Sittang. The currency is the Kyat, the economy is chiefly

agricultural, and the GNP per capita is \$660. FTP, name this Asian nation, bordered by Bangladesh, India, China, Laos, and Thailand.

Answer: \_MYANMAR\_ (also accept \_BURMA\_)

17. Born near Birmingham, England in 1822, he studied medicine and graduated from Trinity College in 1844. He was known for has diverse scientific endeavors: he once studied the effects of prayer on the health of the king of England, and in his 1863 \_Meteorographica\_, laid the basis for modern weather maps. FTP, identify this cousin of Charles Darwin who is more famous for the publication of the book "Finger Prints and the foundation the science of eugenics.

Answer: Sir Francis \_GALTON\_

18. A self-educated lawyer who was selected New Mexico's first senator in 1912, he had met Edward Doheny in 1886 while they were prospecting together. He aroused suspicion after spending \$140,000 improving his ranch; an \_Albuquerque Journal\_ expose brought a scandal to the publics attention in 1922. FTP, identify this politician, who had been taking payments from Harry Sinclair in return for lease rights to an area of land in Wyoming known as Teapot Dome.

Answer: Albert FALL

19. In 1860, he accepted a position at this hometown's Berlin Institute of Technology, and he later became professor of organic chemistry at the University of Munich. His first professional studies involved combining uric acid with malonic acid, which formed a new family of sedatives, later

called barbiturates. FTP, name this Nobel-winning chemist, whose most important work was with Indian Indigo, but, who is better known as the founder of the aspirin company that still bears his name today.

ANSWER: Adolf von BAEYER

20. Born in 1822 in Boston, he graduated from Harvard in 1839, and he served as pastor at the Church of Unity in Worcester, Massachusetts from 1846 to 1856. His first successful piece of fiction was entitled \_My Double and How He Undid Me\_, and other notable works include \_Ten Times One is Ten\_ and \_In His Name\_. He is best known, however, for his short story about the struggles of Philip Nolan. FTP, name this author of \_The Man Without a Country\_.

Answer: Edward Everett \_HALE\_

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It was written in 524 in the dungeon of Alvanzano near Milan where the author was awaiting execution for high treason. It takes the form of a dialogue between the author and Lady Philosophy, but it also includes several of the authors philosophical poems. The author begins with a discussion of the injustice and misfortune of the world, but he eventually takes solace in the omnipresence of God, proclaiming Hopes are not vainly put in God, nor prayers in vain offered: if these are right, they cannot but be answered. FTP, name this philosophical and religious treatise written by Boethius.

Answer: The \_CONSOLATION OF PHILOSOPHY\_

His last words before he died on May 23, 1857 were Men die but their works endure. He caused the delay of the publication of Abels paper on elliptic functions when he was chosen to judge the paper for the French Academy only to misplace the paper at his home. He was a professor of astronomy in Paris from 1848 to 1852, but he refused to swear an oath of allegiance to Napoleon III so he went into voluntary exile in Switzerland where he became a professor at Turin. His rigidity theorem of polyhedrons was disproved in 1978, but many of his contributions are still essential to calculus. FTP, name this Frenchman who created the condensation, root and ratio tests for convergence of infinite series.

Answer: Baron Augustin \_CAUCHY\_

After becoming professor of natural philosophy at the Royal institution of Great Britain, he succeeded Michael Faraday as the institute's superintendent. This scientist's main fields of research included the nature of sound, light, and radiant heat, but was also an avid alpinist and made many important observations on the structure of glaciers, which prompted him to write The Glaciers of the Alps in 1860. His other scientific works include Heat Considered as a Mode of Motion, Fragments of Science, and Notes on Light, in which his experiments with the dispersion of light beams by colloidal suspensions resulted in a phenomenon being named after him. FTP, name this colloidal scientist.

ANSWER: John \_TYNDALL\_

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- 1. With the struggles in Russia, let's see how well you've kept up with your prime ministers. Answer the following for ten points each.
- a) Boris Yeltsin fired this PM, a potential presidential candidate in 2000, last spring. He's looked upon favorably in the west, but when Yeltsin tried to reappoint him in August, the Duma rejected him.

Answer: Viktor \_CHERNOMYRDIN\_

b) Second, Yeltsin replaced Chernomyrdin with this 35-year old reformer, but he dismissed him on August 23.

Answer: Sergei \_KIRIYENKO\_

c) Finally, after Yeltsin fired Kiriyenko, and after the Duma twice rejected Chernomyrdin, Yeltsin appointed this foreign minister and former spy chief. The Duma confirmed him.

Answer: Yevgeni \_PRIMAKOV\_

- 2. 30-20-10 name the scientist.
- 30: He contributed to medical science a method of draining abscesses by using a rubber tube. He began to study the coagulation of blood and the inflammation that followed injuries and surgical wounds.
- 20: Believing infection spread by airborne particles, he invented a carbolic steam spray, a method used in his day to rid sewers of their pungency. The mortality rate, though, still hovered around 50%.
- 10: He became a Baron in 1897 after operating on Queen Victoria. Many antiseptics, including a mouthwash, are named after this medical pioneer.

ANSWER: Joseph, 1st Baron \_LISTER\_

- 3. Answer the following questions about a philosopher for the stated number of points.
- a) F15P, he believed that pessimism was commonly experienced by persons contemplating the problems of existence, but he felt that despair may be overcome by an absolute faith in God. Name this author of \_Concluding Unscientific Postscript\_.

Answer: Soren \_KIERKEGAARD\_

b) F5P, this 1843 Kierkegaard work addresses the important choices that people must make about their mode of living and includes the \_Diary of the Seducer\_.

Answer: \_EITHER/OR\_

c) F10P, this work, also completed in 1843, contains the line Abraham I cannot understand; in a certain sense there is nothing I can learn from him but astonishment.

Answer: \_FEAR AND TREMBLING\_

- 4. Identify the language families for the stated number of points.
- a) F5P, this family of languages is spoken by natives in the Middle East and North Africa, and includes Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic.

Answer: \_SEMITIC\_

b) FTP, this family consists of the most commonly spoken languages from the Congo Basin south to the Cape of Good Hope, including Swahili, Zulu, and Lingala.

Answer: \_BANTU\_

c) F15P, this family of languages is spoken by about 80 million people in Turkey, Iran, Russian, Mongolia, and parts of China. It consists of three divisions, the Turkic, Tungusic, and Mongolian groups.

Answer: \_ALTAIC\_

- 5. For 15 points apiece, give the following terms from chemistry that begin with the letter E.
- a) This compound can be used as an intoxicant. It is a light, colorless, volatile, and highly inflammable liquid with the formula C2H5OC2H5.

Answer: \_ETHER\_

b) These are white or colorless crystals of hydrated magnesium sulphate, best known for their use as a purgative.

Answer: \_EPSOM SALT\_s

6. For ten points apiece, given their opening lyrics, give the two-word titles of these Billy Joel songs.

a) It's 9 o'clock on a Saturday, the regular crowd shuffles in.

Answer: \_PIANO MAN\_

b) You went uptown riding in your limousine in your fine Park Avenue clothes.

Answer: \_BIG SHOT\_

c) Got a call from an old friend. We used to be real close.

Answer: \_MY LIFE\_

- 7. Name the directors of following films for the stated number of points.
- a) \_Hiroshima, Mon Amour\_

Answer: Alain \_RESNAIS\_

b) \_The Last Emperor\_

Answer: Bernardo \_BERTOLUCCI\_

c) \_The Last Metro\_

Answer: Francois \_TRUFFAUT\_

- 8. Name the following characters from \_Waiting for Godot\_.
- a) FTP, he thinks out loud for the amusement of the other characters.

Answer: \_LUCKY\_

b) FTP, in his second appearance on stage, he is blind.

Answer: \_POZZO\_

c) F5PE, name the two characters who wait for Godot.

Answer: \_VLADIMIR\_ or \_DIDI\_ and \_ESTRAGON\_ or \_GOGO\_

9. Identify the following Supreme Court cases FTPE.

a) In this 1965 case, the Supreme Court struck down a Connecticut law barring the use of contraceptives, including contraceptive use by married couples.

Answer: \_GRISWOLD\_ v. Connectticut

b) In this 1824 decision, the Supreme Court under Marshall delivered an important precedent on the Commerce Clause in a case involving a New York steamboat monopoly given to Robert Fulton.

Answer: \_GIBBONS V. OGDEN\_

c) In this 1919 case a Secretary of the Communist party was arrested for distributing Anti-WWI literature; the Court upheld the arrest, saying that free-speech could indeed be limited in wartime.

Answer: \_SCHENCK\_ v. US

- 10. Its time to test your knowledge of the land down under. Answer the following questions for the state number of points about the continent of Australia.
- a) Name the longest river in Australia.

Answer: \_DARLING\_ river

b) Name the highest point in Australia, a mountain named for a Polish patriot.

Answer: \_MT. KOSCIUSKO\_

c) Name the large gulf bordered by both the Northern Territory and Queensland, where the first European settlers landed in 1606.

Answer: \_GULF OF CARPENTARIA\_

- 11. Answer the following questions about the nearly two century old poison TTX.
- a) What does TTX stand for?

Answer: \_TETRODOTOXIN\_.

b) What explorer of the South Pacific first documented a case of TTX poisoning to the Western World in his diary?

ANSWER: James \_COOK\_

c) In the Simpson's episode "One Fish, Two Fish, Blowfish, Blue Fish", Homer ingests the TTX poison from eating blowfish. Name either the delicacy Homer devours or the Sushi Restaurant the family eats at.

ANSWER: \_FUGU\_ or \_THE HAPPY SUMO\_

- 12. Name the following from particle physics on a 15-10 basis.
- 15- A charged one of these would emit Cerenkov radiation even in a vacuum.
- 10- This hypothetical particle has imaginary mass and travels faster than the speed of light.

Answer: \_TACHYON\_

- 15- These particles are hadrons that consist of a quark-antiquark pair.
- 10- They were postulated by Yukawa in 1935 and they contain the pion and the kaon.

Answer: \_MESON\_

- 13. Answer the following about the history of Ancient Athens FTPE.
- a) This sixth century BC statesman, a member of the Alcmaeonidae family, reorganized the Athenians into ten tribes.

Answer: CLEISTHENES

b) The Reforms of Ephialtes limited the power of this body in 461 BC, and it became essentially a homicide court; it gave its name to a Milton work championing freedom of the press.

Answer: \_AREOPAGUS\_

c) Themistocles is considered the hero of this 480 BC naval battle that saw the destruction of the Persian fleet.

Answer: SALAMIS Bay

- 14. Given an author and a description, name the recently published book, FTPE
- a) Tom Clancy's newest book about Mr. Clark and his group of international agents who try to stop eco-terrorists from destroying all life on Earth

Answer: RAINBOW SIX

b) Taylor Branch's sequel to	Parting the Waters_	, it covers the civil rights mo	vement in the
1963 65 period.			

Answer: \_PILLAR OF FIRE\_

c) Robert Harris's book about a group of British cryptographers who are trying to break the German code during World War II.

ANSWER: \_ENIGMA\_

- 15. How well do you know your island nations? Given the capital city, name the country FTPE:
- a) Nuku-alofa

Answer: \_TONGA\_

b) Port Louis

Answer: \_MAURITIUS\_

c) Bairiki

Answer: \_KIRIBATI\_ (pronounced KEE-rih-bosh, but be lenient)

- 16. Given a opera, name its M initialed composer for ten points apiece
- a) Cavalleria Rusticana

Answer: Pietro \_MASCAGNI\_

b) Amal and the Night Visitors

Answer: Gian-Carlo \_MENOTTI\_

c) Les Huguenots

Answer: Giacomo \_MEYERBEER\_

- 17. Identify the following Egyptian deities FTP each.
- a) Son of Isis and Osiris, he is depicted as a bearded figure with a goose perched on his head.

Answer: \_GEB\_

b) She was separated from her husband Geb by the air-god Shu.

Answer: \_NUT\_

c) He killed his father Osiris, but was in turn killed by his brother Horus.

Answer: \_SET\_

- 18. Answer the following questions about an American novel for 15 points each:
- a) This winner of the 1984 Pulitzer Prize tells the story of Francis Phelan, a former baseball player whos now on Skid Row, and his experiences meeting the ghosts of men he killed when he comes home to Albany, New York, on All Hallows Eve and All Saints Day.

Answer: \_IRONWEED\_

b) Who was the author of \_Ironweed\_?

Answer: William \_KENNEDY\_

- 19. Answer the following questions about a masterpiece of the Enlightenment, 5-10-15.
- a) This 35 volume work, written from 1747 to 1780, was intended as the supreme compilation of human knowledge.

Answer: the \_ENCYCLOPEDIA\_ (accept \_ENCYCLOPEDIE\_, ou Dictionaire raisonne des sciences, des arts et des metiers, but give the player a long, cold stare...)

b) Name the chief compiler of the Encyclopedia, born in 1713 in France.

Answer: Denis \_DIDEROT\_

c) Name the mathematician who wrote the preface to the Encyclopedia and contributed articles on physics and math.

Answer: Jean le Rond \_D'ALEMBERT\_

- 20. 30-20-10. Name the author from works.
- 30) Green Hills of Africa
- 20) Death in the Afternoon
- 10) To Have and Have Not

Answer: Ernest \_HEMINGWAY\_