2000 Michigan MLK Memorial

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TOSSUPS

1.

After helping form his nation's independent government, this man was named its foreign minister. He left to gather diplomatic support only three days before the country was invaded in 1975, then remained in exile until after the Indonesian withdrawal. FTP, name this East Timorese revolutionary who shared the 1996 Nobel Peace Prize with Bishop Carlos Belo.

Answer: Jose Ramos-Horta

2.

He served as the shortstop on the Ohio State baseball team and later supplemented his artist's income playing sandlot ball in New York City, where he studied with Robert Henri. His 1910 "Polo Grounds" was recently auctioned for \$27.5 million, a new record for an American painting. FTP, identify this Armory artist best known for his sports-themed works such as "Dempsey and Filpo" and "Stag at Sharkey's."

Answer: George Bellows

3

Nikolai Dobrolyubov refocused criticism of this novel on the social aspect of its main character's malady; earlier critics cited everything from serfdom to a superior sensibility. The nominal hero is contrasted to his businessman friend Shtolts and marries his landlady Agafya rather than his true love Olga, mostly due to his incurable laziness. FTP, what is this classic of 19th-century Russian literature by Ivan Goncharov?

Answer: Oblomov

4.

George Washington, Patrick Henry, and Thomas Jefferson invested in a failed scheme to drain it for farmland, though Washington should have known better, as he surveyed it in 1763. A canal cut through its 106,000 acres in 1828 now marks the edge of the National Wildlife Refuge that shares its name. FTP, identify this depressed and depressing marshland in southeastern Virginia and northeastern North Carolina.

Answer:

Great Dismal Swamp

5.

Despite the victory of her party in June parliamentary elections, a string of procedural losses and an unwillingness to form a coalition government kept her from gaining enough votes in the People's Consultative Assembly to be elected president. A long-time activist, her popularity is in part traced to feelings for her father, her nation's founder. FTP name this vice-president of Indonesia.

Answer: <u>Megawati</u> Sukarnoputri

6.

Two main classes of this substance include the nematic phase, which lacks long-range translational order, and the smectic phase, which arranges its molecules in definite strata. In gel form, they have been used for detecting cancers that cause hot spots in the body, and as liquids, they can rotate polarized light or change colors at different temperatures. FTP, identify this phase-changing material most commonly used in digital displays.

Answer: <u>liquid crystal</u>

7.

When he ran for reelection to his country's presidency in 1995, he was narrowly defeated by a member of the Democratic Left Alliance. Despite this loss, his place in his nation's history is secure, primarily due to his actions about twenty years ago as head of an Interfactory Strike Committee. FTP, who is this former worker in a Gdansk shipyard and leader of Polish Solidarity? Answer:

Lech Walesa

8.
He was supposed to be named Trismegistus, and at age three, he was circumcised by a window-sash. His autobiography includes a tale by Slawkenbergius and a sermon by Yorick as well as long discourses from his father and Uncle Toby on their own personal hobbyhorses. FTP, who is this character, whose life and opinions were recorded by Laurence Sterne?

Answer: Tristram Shandy

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Born Gerhard Kremer at Rupelmonde, Flanders, he was the first person to use "atlas" for a book of maps. Evidence shows the innovation he brought forth in his most famous work was in use in 1511, the year before he was born, but sea captains were thankful nonetheless. FTP, name the mapmaker whose namesake projection proved enormously useful to nautical navigators because its straight lines show a constant compass direction.

Answer: Gerardus Mercator

10.

He and his family left Spain because of religious persecution and eventually settled in Cairo. A physician by day, he wrote a commentary on the Mishnah in his spare time. In his most important book, he wrote that we can only speak negatively of God, and tried to organize the rules of the Torah in accordance with classical philosophy. FTP, identify this 12th-century author of A Guide for the Perplexed.

Answer: Moses Ben Maimonides

11.

Supporting actors in this film include Colleen Dewhurst, Christopher Walken, and Paul Simon. Subtitled "A Nervous Romance," it uses cinematic tricks such as animation, direct address, and split-screens to review the relationship between Alvy Singer and the title character. FTP, name this 1978 Best Picture starring Diane Keaton and directed by Woody Allen.

Answer: Annie Hall

12.

"Bunny" by Sarah Lucas: two legs in nylons sitting in a chair. "Myra" by Marcus Harvey: A portrait of child murderer Myra Hindley. "The Physical Impossibility of Death in the Mind of Someone Living" by Damien Hirst: a tiger shark suspended in formaldehyde. Subtitled "Young Artists from the Saatchi Collection," FTP, Chris Ofili's elephant-dung "Holy Virgin Mary" also appeared in what aptly titled autumn 1999 Brooklyn Museum of Art exhibit?

Answer: Sensation

13.

One of the explanations of this place's name concerns a woman named for her large navel. By the sixteenth century, its population was as great as 40,000 people, including scholars who gathered around its university and many mosques. The Sankoré Mosque still stands in, FTP, what ancient city at the edge of the Sahara desert that is very far away indeed?

Answer: Timbuktu or Tombouctou

14

When the white narrator and his wife visit a plantation they want to buy just after the Civil War, an old black man named Uncle Julius advises them not to purchase, based on a story he tells them about a slave who ate some cursed scuppernongs. Later, the narrator realizes Uncle Julius had been earning a profit off the supposedly bewitched grapes, in, FTP, what short story by Charles Chestnutt?

Answer: The Goophered Grapevine

15

Fulton and Livingston produced their first steamboat, they were granted a monopoly on its operation in New York waters. They eventually sold this right to another man, who lost it in 1824, thanks to a lawsuit Daniel Webster argued before the Supreme Court. FTP, name this case, which

strengthened the power of the federal government to regulate interstate commerce even within a state's boundaries.

Answer:

Gibbons v. Ogden

16.

Most gamma rays bounce back to their emitting atoms, but when certain radioactive atoms are held in a tight crystalline structure, the gamma rays do not recoil. Instead, they are emitted at a frequency corresponding to the exact difference between the nuclear ground-state energy and the excited-state energy, enabling superfine measurements of nuclear and magnetic effects. FTP, identify this phenomenon, which won its discoverer the 1961 Nobel Prize.

Answer:

Mössbauer effect

17.

Charles Burney in "A General History of Music" wrote "If acute and rapid tones are evil, [this man] has much of the sin to answer for." This Baroque master of the concerto wrote over 500 of them, ten of which were transcribed for keyboard by Bach, and was among the first composers to regularly use the ritornello form. FTP, name this Italian most famous for the violin concerti "The Four Seasons."

Answer:

Antonio Lucio Vivaldi

18.

In 1879, he published his only book, *Memoir on the Original Vowel System in the Indo-European Languages*. After his death in 1916, two of his students at the University of Geneva compiled his notes and lectures for another book, which put forth the distinction between langue and parole. FTP, name the Swiss linguist who propounded many of the founding principles of structural linguistics in *Course in General Linguistics*.

Answer:

Ferdinand de Saussure

19

Set up by the Employment Act of 1946, it lists Robert Lawrence and Martin Baily as its present members, while past chairs include Murray Weidenbaum and Laura D'Andrea Tyson. Alan Greenspan served on it from 1974-77: his policies reduced inflation but may have led to recession. FTP, what three-member body summarizes its analysis and recommendations in the annual Economic Report for the President?

Answer:

Council of Economic Advisers

20.

One in the Sierra Nevada covers more than 1,000 square kilometers and includes most of Yosemite, King's Canyon, and Sequoia National Parks. Elongated along the dominant axis at the base of the mountain ranges it helps form, this type of geologic intrusion may go to undetermined depths in the earth's crust. Identify, FTP, these large subterranean bodies of igneous rock, whose name derives from the Greek for "deep" and "stone."

Answer:

batholith

21.

The Medes and Lydians stopped fighting on May 28, 585 B.C., because of an eclipse that this thinker had already predicted. Also a wealthy olive-oil merchant, he is said to have calculated the height of the pyramids, thus introducing geometry to Greece. FTP—name the Milesian thinker who believed that all things are composed of water, often accounted the first philosopher.

Answer:

Thales of Miletus

22

The Supreme Court ruled both the line-item veto and term limits unconstitutional, even though they passed both houses of Congress, while the balanced budget amendment has stalled in the Senate. The Personal Responsibility Act and Unfounded Mandate Reform established block grants to states as part of the efforts to end the era of big government. Such are the results, FTP, of what 1994 Republican document sponsored by Newt Gingrich?

Answer: Contract with America

23.

A 77-year-old Buddhist nun and romance novelist has recently retranslated this work into ten volumes, and it's become an unexpected bestseller in its native country. Arthur Waley produced the first English translation of the narrative, which centers on the hero's string of affairs in the royal court of the Heian period. FTP--identify this 11th-century Japanese masterwork by Lady Murasaki Shikibu.

Answer: The <u>Tale of Genji</u>

24.

Alternate titles for this film include "Mankillers" and "The Leather Girls." Actress Tura Santana plays Varla, one of three female strippers seeking thrills and killing lascivious dimwits in the desert. The director went on to film the classic "Beyond the Valley of the Dolls." FTP, name this 1965 Russ Meyer masterpiece.

Answer: Faster Pussycat! Kill! Kill!

25.

One of his nicknames was "The Little Colonel." His more famous sobriquet came from his skill at marbles, although his lifetime batting average was also a somewhat diminutive .269. He played on seven pennant-winning teams, batting leadoff and wearing number one. FTP—name this 5 foot 9 Dodger shortstop who died in 1999.

Answer: Harold Henry "Pee Wee" Reese

26.

One, known as "the Cruel," ruled Castile and Leon from 1350-1369. Another stayed at a monastery run by one called "the Venerable" on the way to appeal his excommunication. The one of Amiens is better known for his work in the Holy Land with Godfrey de Bouillon. FTP, what first name do these men share with the czar who modernized Russia, the one known as "the Great"?

Answer: Peter (Peter the Cruel, Peter Abelard, Peter the Venerable, Peter of Amiens [Peter the Hermit], Peter the Great)

27.

The author's brother-in-law John Woodbridge had this volume published without her knowledge. Its second edition included the poems "Contemplations" and "The Author to Her Book" as well as earlier works such as "The Four Ages of Man" and "A Dialogue between the Old England and the New." FTP, name this 1650 title, the first book of poems written in North America, by Anne Bradstreet.

Answer: The Tenth Muse Lately Sprung Up in America

28

This term is derived from a Greek word for "steersman," and it was possibly first used by Ampere to name "the science of control of society." The modern science focuses upon the management of a system without human intervention, also known as feedback control engineering. FTP, name the word, popularized in a 1948 book by Norbert Wiener.

Answer: cybernetics

BONUSES

Answer the following questions about people involved in the transfer of power in Northern Ireland for the stated number of points.

(5) What Prime Minister signed an act that dropped the Irish Republic's claim to Northern Ireland from its 1937 Constitution?

Answer: Bertie Ahern

(10) What leader of the Ulster Unionists is also the first minister of the Northern Ireland Assembly? Answer: David Trimble (15) Sinn Fein shocked many political observers by naming what high school dropout and former IRA chief to the position of Minister of Education?

Answer: Martin McGuinness

Identify the George Bernard Shaw play from characters FTPE.

(10) Andrew Undershaft, Adolphus "Dolly" Cusins

Answer: Major Barbara

(10) Ellie Dunn, Ariadne Utterword, Hesione [He-zie-oh-nee] Hushabye

Answer: <u>Heartbreak House</u>

(10) John Tanner, Ann Whitefield, a "walking talking statue from hell"

Answer: Man and Superman: A Comedy and a Philosophy

3. Identify the following spicy dances, none of which are Mambo No. 5, FTPE.

(10) In 2/4 time, this dance originated in Africa and was modified in Brazil. Its folk version is also known as batuque.

Answer: samba

(10) This dance in _ time is the national dance of Spain, and includes graceful arm and hand movements as well as leaping and kicking.

Answer: bolero

(10) The basic rhythm of this Cuban dance is quick-quick-slow in 4/4 meter, and its trademark is side-to-side hip movements.

Answer: <u>rumba</u>

4. Identify the island group, 30-20-10-5.

- (30) Álvaro de Mendaña de Neira was the first European to visit these islands, and he named them for the amount of treasure they supposedly contained. The highest point is Mount Popomanaseu.
- (20) The largest islands are named Buka and Bougainville; others include New Georgia and San Cristobal.
- (10) The battle of Guadalcanal was fought here during a six-year Japanese occupation.

(5) The capital is Honiara.

Answer: The Solomon Islands

- Identify the following world institutions of higher learning on a 5-10-15 basis.
- (5) This French institution founded in 1257 was originally named The Community of Needy Theology Students.

Answer: La <u>Sorbonne</u> (do not accept University of Paris)

- (10) A Scottish fur trader and philanthropist established this first university in Canada in 1821. Answer: McGill University
- (15) This Egyptian university, now more than 1000 years old, is a central authority for Islam.

 Answer: Al Azhar University

Identify the Mars landing vehicles FTPE.

(10) NASA lost this \$125 million probe in September 1999 thanks to a mismatch between English and metric measurements.

Answer: Mar

Mars Climate Orbiter

(10) This exploratory vehicle was supposed to search for signs of water and hence life, but NASA scientists were never able to establish contact.

Answer:

Mars Polar Lander

(10) Neither mission achieved the success of this 1997 launch, whose progress across the Martian surface was monitored by Web users around the world.

Answer:

Mars Pathfinder

7.

The 2000 election: fifteen candidates, six parties, and two bonus questions for 15 points each.

(15) Pat Buchanan raised eyebrows in November when he received the endorsement of what black left-wing radical?

Answer:

Lenora Fulani

(15) What author of "Fire with Fire" and "Promiscuities" controversially advised Al Gore on being an 'alpha male'?

Answer:

Naomi Wolf

8. Given a cellular process, identify the organelle in which it takes place for 5 points each, and a bonus five for all of them.

(5) Krebs cycle

Answer: m

mitochondrion or mitochondria

(5) protein synthesis

Answer:

ribosomes (accept endoplasmic reticulum)

(5) mitosis

Answer:

nucleolus (accept nucleus)

(5) Calvin cycle

Answer: chloroplast

(5) protein packaging

Answer:

Golgi apparatus

9.

Identify the portrait photographers from a description of their careers for 15 points or for 5 if you need a recently published book.

- (15) This photographer worked for Rolling Stone from 1970 to 1983, then became a contributor to and frequent cover artist for Vanity Fair.
- (5) Her book "Women" features essays by Susan Sontag.

Answer: Annie Leibovitz

(15) Trained by the U.S. Merchant Marine, he began his career in fashion photography at Harper's Bazaar in 1945 and moved to Vogue in 1966.

(5) "The Sixties" contains interviews of his subjects alongside his trademark black-and-white portraits.

Answer:

Richard Avedon

10.

Given a fictional British detective, name his creator for five points each, and a bonus five for all of them.

(5) Inspector Morse

Answer:

Colin Dexter

(5) Albert Campion

Answer:

Margery Allingham

(5) Lord Peter Wimsey

Answer:

Dorothy Sayers

(5) Roderick Alleyn

Answer:

Ngaio Marsh

(5) Miss Marple

Answer:

Dame Agatha Christie

11.

Identify the following people associated with Italian fascism on a 5-10-15 basis.

(5) He reigned as king throughout Mussolini's tenure as Prime Minister, abdicating in 1946. Answer: Victor Emmanuel III

(10) This poet, novelist, and Fascist sympathizer led an expedition to invade Fiume after World War I.

Answer:

Gabriele D'Annunzio

(15) Mussolini's son-in-law, he served as state press secretary, minister of foreign affairs, and ambassador to the Vatican before his execution for treason.

Answer:

Galeazzo Ciano, Conte di Cortellazzo

12. Identify the performers of these videos parodied in the Blink 182 video "All the Small Things" from a description of the parody FFTPE, or five points if you need the name of the original song.

- (15) The lead singer lies seductively in the sand, propped up on his elbows... but he doesn't have any cleavage.
- (5) "Genie in a Bottle"

Answer:

Christina Aquilera

- (15) Fans scream and wave signs as the band enters an airplane hanger in white suits. One sign says, "Travis, I'm pregnant!"
- (5) "I Want It That Way"

Answer:

Backstreet Boys

13. Identify the general class of products formed from the following organic chemistry reactions, FTPE:

(10) A Grignard [GRIN-yard] reagent plus an aldehyde.

Answer:

primary alcohol

(10) An E2 [ee-two] elimination reaction of a haloalkane.

Answer: alkene

(10) A ketone plus lithium aluminum hydride.

Answer:

secondary alcohol

14

Identify the prominent British suffragists for the stated number of points.

(10) The mother founded the Women's Social and Political Union in 1903; her eldest daughter was refused admittance to the bar because of her sex, while the youngest daughter opposed marriage as an institution and was active in the Ethiopian independence movement. For ten points, give the last name of this mother-and-daughters trio.

Answer: Pankhurst (Emmeline, Christabel and Sylvia)

(20) Unlike Emmeline Pankhurst, she promoted nonmilitant means of gaining the vote for women as head of the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies. She also served as chief inspector of the internment camps for women and children during the Boer War. Her husband Henry was a professor of political economy at Cambridge. For 20 points, name this Dame of the British Empire.

Answer:

Dame Millicent Garrett Fawcett

15.

Your rich Uncle Oswald has died, and you expect to come into a lot of money. Apply these terms from inheritance law for 10 points apiece.

(10) Unfortunately for you, he died without leaving a valid will. What is such a condition called?

Answer:

intestate or intestancy

(10) But just after the funeral, his housekeeper Katrine produces a piece of paper signed by your uncle leaving all his worldly goods to her. You take her to this kind of court, which has jurisdiction over the settlement of estates.

Answer:

probate

(10) The probate judge decides Katrine's claim is good, but she adds that you will receive the rest of Uncle Oswald's estate upon her death. What is the legal term for your share?

Answer:

a remainder

16.

Three new Internet companies joined the Standard and Poor's 500 stock index in December. FTPE, name them, an ISP, a search engine, and a hardware firm.

Answer:

America Online or AOL

Yahoo! Adaptec

17

FTPE, name the character from "Saved by the Bell" from a brief description.

(10) This motorcycle babe played by Leanna Creel joined the gang in their second run through 12th grade, created the Teen Line and eventually hooked up with Zach.

Answer: Tori Scott

(10) Played by Tori Spelling, she was the star of the glee club with her rendition of "Somewhere over the Rainbow," and fell head over heels for Screech.

Answer:

Violet Bickerstaff

(10) During a production of "Snow White and the Seven Dorks," Zach ended up kissing his best friend/next-door neighbor, played by Elizabeth Berkeley, causing them to reevaluate their feelings for each other.

Answer: <u>Jessie</u> Spano

18.

Identify the following John Barth novels for 15 points apiece.

(15) Subtitled "The Revised New Syllabus," the hero must conquer a computer system threatening to destroy his university.

Answer: <u>Giles Goat-Boy</u>

(15) This carnivalesque Baroque parody takes its title from a 1708 poem by Ebenezer Cooke, which is also the name of the protagonist.

Answer: The Sot-Weed Factor

19

(15/15) In Japanese myth, the Sun Goddess became upset when the Storm God broke into and defiled her house, and she shut herself in a cave. For fifteen points each, name these two deities.

Answer: Amaterasu (accept Omikami and Tensho Daijan)

<u>Susanowa</u> (accept <u>Susanowo</u> and reasonable equivalents)

20.

Identify the national capitals of these breakaway states FTPE.

(10) East Timor Answer: <u>Dili</u>

(10) Kosovo

Answer: Pristina

(10) Chechnya

Answer: Dzhokhar Ghala (accept Grozny)

21.

Identify the real political figure from his icon in *Doonesbury* FTPE. For instance, if I said "a feather," you would answer "Dan Quayle."

(10) A bomb

Answer: Newt Gingrich

(10) A waffle dripping butter Answer: Bill Clinton

(10) A bubble with a cowboy hat

Answer: George W. Bush (accept <u>Dubya</u> if it's pronounced correctly)

22.

Answer the following questions about The New Yorker FTPE.

(10) What is the name of its monocled mascot?

Answer: Eustace Tilley

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(10) What editor founded the magazine and was later the subject of a laudatory book by James Thurber?

Answer:

Harold Ross

(10) What media corporation owns The New Yorker?

Answer:

Condé Nast Publications

23.

Identify the type of memory breakdown for 15 points each.

(15) When a question asks for the author of *Persuasion*, Cheryl can remember the writer's first name but not the last. Cheryl's enhanced recall of beginnings is known as what?

Answer: primacy

(15) Andy learned in ninth grade that Homer wrote *The Odyssey*, but later heard someone say Abraham wrote it instead. When a question at the tournament requires the name of the author of *The Odyssey*, Andy negs five with "Abraham." What kind of mnemonic interference is this, where new information interferes with an older memory?

Answer:

retroactive interference

24.

Given a hero from Greek mythology, name his father for five points and his mother for 10 points.

(5/10) Achilles

Answer:

Peleus, Thetis

(5/10) Agamemnon

Answer:

Atreus, Aerope

25.

Identify these works by Chretien de Troyes for the stated number of points.

(5) Chretien gave his tale of this French knight the alternate title "The Knight of the Cart." Answer: Launcelot

(10) He drew on the legend of St. Eustace to fill out his history of this English king, who died fifty years before Chretien was born.

Answer:

William I (William the Conqueror; accept Guillame d'Angleterre)

(15) The earliest Arthurian romance, it traces the adventures of its title lovers through courtship, marriage, boredom, kidnapping, comas, and reconciliation.

Answer:

Erec et Enide

26

In 1686, King James II decreed the unification of New York, New Jersey and the New England colonies into a single province, the Dominion of New England. Answer these questions about the attempted amalgamation for the stated number of points.

- (5/5) For five points each, what two states refused to yield their charters to the colonial governor?

 Answer: Rhode Island and the Providence Plantations and Connecticut
- (10) For ten points, who was that governor, who ruled New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Virginia and Maryland in his twenty-year career?

Answer: Sir Edmund Andros

(10) According to tradition, the residents of Connecticut refused to yield their territory's charter to Andros. In what did they hide it?

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Answer: Charter Oak or oak tree (do not accept just "tree")

27. Identify the scientist, 30-20-10.

- (30) He invented an electronically amplified piano and developed an electric lamp that significantly improved upon carbon-arc lamps.
- (20) Appointed to a professorship at Gottingen in 1890, he served as director of the University of Berlin Institute for Experimental Physics from 1924 to 1933.
- (10) His 1920 Nobel Prize was in chemistry, however -- granted for his formulation of the third law of thermodynamics.

Answer: Walther Hermann Nernst