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Tossups

1.

During the Civil War, he was made commander of the Western Department, but was removed after ordering emancipation of the slaves in Missouri. His marriage to Jessie Benton, began his route to prominence. This happened when Thomas Hart sponsored him in 1842 to survey the Oregon Trail. FTP identify this man who served as the first presidential candidate of the Republican Party in 1856, also known as the Pathfinder.

Answer:

John Charles Fremont

2.

He announced his candidacy for the presidency in December, just before the parliamentary elections in which voters largely defeated his "Fatherland-ALL Russia" bloc. Now as his supporters line up behind another man, he is considering dropping out of the race. FTP name this Russian, Boris Yeltsin's prime minister and right hand man.

Answer:

Yevgeny Primakov

3.

A professor of physics at Graz and professor of inductive philosophy at Vienna he asserted a positivistic philosophy based upon the actual physiology of sensations. His theories, which regarded the fixed stars as a gravitational reference frame, attracted Einstein's early interest and he tried unsuccessfully to fit his relativity to this man's ideas. FTP identify this man best known for determining a number relating speed to the velocity of sound which emerged from his experiment on airflow.

Answer:

Ernst Mach

4.

For a time he earned his living as a painter and worked at the British Museum making drawings of animals for the scientist John Gould, and is purported to have given Queen Victoria a lesson. Traveling all over the world, he eventually settled in Italy. As a writer, he has been credited with originating the idea of nonsense writing in his 1846 *A Book of Nonsense* and he often used the limerick form. FTP identify this British author of "The Owl and the Pussycat."

Answer:

Edward Lear

5.

Almost all early human legal systems were forms of this, an example of which might be, "An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth." The Code of Hammurabi was an improvement on this concept, since it called for punishment enacted by the state instead of by the victim. FTP, name this principle of direct retribution, Latin for "the law of retaliation."

Answer:

lex talionis.

6.

Born sometime around 690 A.D., he served as the mayor of Herstal palace from 714 until his death in 741. Since this was the era of the "do-nothing" kings, he acted virtually as king, and managed to both unite the Merovingian kingdoms and defeat the Moors at Poitiers in 732. FTP, name this man, illegitimate son of Pepin and grandfather of Charlemagne.

Answer:

Charles Martel

(accept Charles the Hammer).

Early in his career, he prepared the first synthetic nucleotide, a component of the nucleic acids found in the proteins of cell nuclei. However, his most important work came about through his application of phenylhydrazine as an agent for separating and identifying sugars. FTP identify this German chemist

who determined the projection formulas for sugars that are now named after him.

Answer:

Emil Hermann Fischer

Hermarchus eventually succeeded him as head of the Athenian school. One account has him turning to philosophy when his schoolmaster could not explain the concept of chaos in Hesiod. He began to teach at Mytilene and his *On the Criterion, or Canon* held that all sensations and representations are true and serve as criteria by which the ultimate human achievement must be to limit pain and to achieve pleasure. FTP identify this philosopher from Samos who founded the Garden.

Answer:

Epicurus

9

In general usage, this French term refers to a close partnership between two people in pursuit of a common end. In ballet, it refers to a dance sequence designed for two dancers, usually the male and female in the lead roles. FTP, identify this term which translates as "steps for two."

Answer:

pas de deux

10.

Initially, directors and producers dismissed this young actor as a lost cause because of his unmistakable lisp. But after responding to a film agent's advertisement in Billboard magazine, the 23-year-old William Pratt rose to international fame for his work in Universal Studio's "Frankenstein." FTP, what is the more well-known stage name of this actor, forever associated with Mary Shelley's monster?

Answer:

Boris Karloff

11.

This opera failed in its 1868 premiere in Milan but fared better when a revised version opened in Bologna in 1875. The cast, which includes a man named Enrico who is taken to a witch's Sabbath and is later tempted by Helen of Troy. Enrico turns out to be Faust in disguise and he stays true to Margherita until God saves him at the end. FTP, identify this diabolically titled opera by Arrigo Boito.

Answer:

Mefistofele

12.

When several workers of the McCormick Reaper Company decided to protest the hiring of nonunion workers on May 3, the police broke the incident up and one man was killed. Ten more would die the next day when a protest rally against brutality was called, and after police arrived a bomb was hurled in their midst. FTP identify this event of 1886 that occurred in Chicago.

Answer:

Haymarket Square Riot

13

Lessening the number of Catholics, saving money on child care costs, providing the peasant class with a valuable commodity to sell, encouraging marriage, strengthening the Irish economy, and even attracting tourists are but a few of the advantages of adopting the practice of selling infants as food. FTP, what satiric essay by Jonathan Swift sarcastically promotes cannibalism as a cure for abject poverty in Ireland?

Answer:

A Modest Proposal

14.

In an analytic sense, it's a set in which any infinite sequence has a convergent subsequence, and in a topological sense, it's a space in which any open covering has a finite subcover. FTP, name this type of set, which in the case of Euclidean space is characterized as any set that is closed and bounded.

Answer: compact

15

This author's early works included two collections of short stories entitled *Bayou Folk* and *A Night at Acadie*. In 1899, however, she took her treatment of life in coastal Louisiana in scandalous directions, shocking readers with the story of a young woman who commits suicide rather than endure an unfulfilling domestic existence. FTP, name this author, whose literary career effectively died when Edna Pontellier drowned herself at the end of *The Awakening*.

Answer:

Kate Chopin

The Halo types require a highly saline environment to metabolize, others depend on sulfur and are thermophilic. One of their most important features is the lack of murein, or ester lipids in their cell walls. They also differ in the structure of their ribosomal RNAs and many of them are obligate anaerobes with the inability to photosynthesize. FTP identify these creatures that differ from the eubacteria and are thought to be a more primitive type of organism.

Answer: Archaebacteria or archeobacteria

17.

Lifting the idea for the plot from an incident that took place during the U.S. Civil War, the film was scripted and directed in conjunction with Clyde Bruckman. The star plays a shy engineer on a Confederate train that gets hijacked by Union soldiers. He spends most of the film trying to retrieve the titular locomotive, and his girl played by Marion Mack. FTP identify this 1927 film, a masterpiece of Buster Keaton.

Answer: <u>The General</u>

18.

Though he is having the worst year of his career, this shooting guard has retained the respect of perimeter defenses that play his team. As a rookie out of Kansas State, he averaged 22 points per game and won Rookie of the Year. He also won the All-Star Game MVP in 1995, but was traded twice, once with Les Jepsen for Billy Owens, and more recently for Chris Webber. FTP name this guard who toils with the Washington Wizards.

Answer: Mitch Richmond

19.

Tradition relates that he undertook four long voyages, and spent the last years of his life in Kartarpur. His disciple Angad became the first in a long line of successors. For a time he worked as the accountant of the Afghan chieftain at Sultanpur. There he began to compose hymns and had his first vision of God, in which he was ordered to preach to mankind. He disappeared while bathing in a stream. When he reappeared on the third day, he proclaimed: "There is no Hindu, there is no Mussulman." FTP identify this Guru born in 1469 the founder of Sikhism.

Answer: Guru Nanak

20.

Although Jenny is suspected of being his mother in truth it is Bridget. He is raised with his half-brother and taught by Square and Thwackum. Blifil disparages him at every opportunity but this cannot keep his spirit down. By the end of the novel, he has married Sophia Western and inherited the cash from Squire Allworthy. FTP identify this foundling whose history was written by Henry Fielding.

Answer: Tom Jones

21.

His resume includes Chief of the Narcotics Unit, U.S. Attorney, and Associate U.S. Attorney General. He claims he has turned his city's \$2 billion deficit into a \$2 billion surplus, and lowered overall crime by 50%. However, it is his latest crime-fighting measure that has drawn the most criticism. FTP— name this man, whose possible Senate run this year may be hindered by his controversial policy of arresting New York City's homeless.

Answer: Rudolph Giuliani.

22.

Two answers required. A deal valued at \$80 billion and creating the world's third largest company, with production in its field equaling that of many nation, this was one of the largest mergers ever. However, the companies will retain separate brands, including that of Esso. FTP, what two descendants of the trust broken up in the Taft administration recently joined.

Answer: Exxon, Mobil

The *Liber Veritatis*, a group of 195 carefully drawn copies of his paintings now in the British Museum, London, is an invaluable record of this man's development. Although light in his earlier work emanates from a point low in the sky, in later works such as the *Embarkation of Saint Ursula* light is more diffuse, but the figures in remain relatively unimportant to the composition. FTP identify this Frenchman whose majestic landscapes such as *The Marriage of Isaac and Rebekah* served as inspirations for later artists, particularly Turner.

Answer: Claude <u>Gelee</u> or Claude <u>Lorrain</u>

24.

After Apollo agreed to pasture his flocks on Mount Ida, he was not very forthcoming. Later, when Heracles rescued his daughter Hesione from a sea monster, he refused to be grateful as well. The reason the monster was there in the first place is because he would not give the proper respect to Poseidon who built his city's wall. FTP identify this obstinate King of Troy, and father of Priam.

Answer: <u>Laomedon</u>

25

It is primarily on Mount Desert Island and outstanding features on it include Cadillac Mountain and a fjord named Soames Sound. Originally called Lafayette National Park it was given its current name in 1929. FTP identify this Park for which John D. Rockefeller donated much of the land, which lies along the Atlantic coast of Northeastern Maine.

Answer: Acadia National Park

26.

He once said "If my head should win him a castle in France, it should not fail to go," to his son-in-law, Roper. His firm opposition to the formation of the Church of England, and his tacit support of the Catholic Church earned him the wrath of his one-time friend Henry VIII. FTP, name this man, a Catholic saint, subject of the play *A Man For All Seasons*, and author of "Utopia".

Answer: Thomas More.

27.

In the formerly tranquil town of Holcombe, Kansas, four members of one of the town's most respected families were savagely murdered by close-range shotgun blasts to the face. FTP, name Truman Capote's true account of American violence, which ends with the conviction and hanging of Dick Hickock and Perry Smith.

Answer: <u>In Cold Blood</u>

28.

This incident resulted in undeclared naval warfare and preparations for further hostilities before it was settled by the convention of 1800. Brought on by a request for a bribe and a loan as a prelude to negotiation, FTP what dispute named after three of Talleyrand's agents nearly led to war with France.

Answer: XYZ Affair

Bonuses

1

Identify each of the following fishes as belonging to the class Agnatha, Chondricthyes, or Osteicthyes, 5 points each, 5 point bonus for all correct

(5)	Moray Eel	Answer:	Osteicthyes
(5)	Lamprey	Answer:	Agnatha
(5)	Ratfish	Answer:	Chondricthyes
(5)	Shark	Answer:	Chondricthyes
(5)	Grouper	Answer:	Chondricthyes

From the following clues, identify the composers of works featured in Disney's Fantasia 2000 FTPE.

(10) Traditionally played at graduation ceremonies, his "Pomp and Circumstance" marches accompany a re-telling of the story of Noah's Ark.

Answer:

Sir Edward Elgar

(10) This modern Russian composer's 1957 "Piano Concerto No. 2" accompanies an animated version of Hans Christian Andersen's story "The Steadfast Tin Soldier"

Answer:

Dmitri Shostakovich

(10) Selections from his ballet "The Rite of Spring" appeared in the original Fantasia; now, his "Firebird Suite 1919 Version" is the closing sequence in the new Fantasia.

Answer:

Igor Stravinsky

3.

Identify the following about a philosopher FTP each:

(10) Originally a mathematician this man studied under Brentano and published his *Logical Investigations* in 1900.

Answer:

Edmund Husserl

(10) Husserl was primarily associated with this philosophical buzzword focusing on the description of acts of perception as the only objects possessing true reality.

Answer:

Phenomenology

(10) The basic method for phenomenological investigation lies in this move that brackets the existence of the world.

Answer:

reduction (accept: eidetic reduction)

4

Identify the number of carbon atoms in each of the following molecules: 5-10-15:

(5) Methane

Answer:

1

(10) Butane

Answer: 4

(15) Caffeine

Answer:

8

5.

FTSNOP, identify the following Billy Joel songs from the opening lyrics.

(5) "Friday night, I crashed your party/Saturday, I said I was sorry/Sunday came and you trashed me out again."

Answer:

"You May Be Right"

(10) "Come out, Virginia, don't let me wait/You Catholic girls start much too late"

Answer: "Only the Good Die Young"

(15) "Some folks like to get away, take a holiday from the neighborhood/Hop a flight to Miami Beach, or to Hollywood"

Answer:

"New York State of Mind"

Answer these questions about art theft, 10 each.

(10)Just after midnight, January 1, thieves broke into this oldest public museum in the world, at Oxford University.

Answer:

The Ashmolean Museum

(10)The thieves apparently came for only one thing, Auvers-sur-Oise, valued at 5 million dollars, by what French Impressionist?

Answer:

Paul Cezanne

(10)This is not the first time a Cezanne has been targeted. Name the still life stolen from a private collection in 1978, which was recovered in October 1999, and fetched 29 million dollars in a December auction.

Answer:

Pewter Pitcher and Fruit or Bouilloire et Fruita

Name these figures from Russian revolutions FTSNOP.

This man was the commander of the Red Army during the war following the October Revolution. (5)

Answer: Leon Trotsky

(10)This man was the leader of the Provisional Government deposed by the Bolsheviks.

Answer: Aleksandr Kerensky

This imperial Russian general was accused of attempting to overthrow the provisional (15)government established in Russia after the February Revolution of 1917 and to replace it with a military dictatorship.

Answer:

Lavr Georgiyevich Kornilov

Identify the following of pyramids FTPE.

(10)The original type of Egyptian pyramid, these had flat tops and a shaft to the burial chamber.

Answer: Mastaba

(10)This pyramid, located in Central America, rivals the Great Pyramid at Gizeh The Pyramid of the Sun

Answer:

None of these stepped temples, built with no interior chamber from 2000 to 500 BCE, have (10)survived to their full height.

Answer:

Ziggurat

- Answer these questions about semiotics, the science of the process of information interchange involving signs.
- (10)This is the field of semiotics that describes sign phenomena.

descriptive semiotics Answer:

(10)This field of semiotics systematizes sign phenomena into models.

Answer: theoretic semiotics

This field of semiotics is used to find solutions for problems in everyday life. (10)

Answer: applied semiotics

After an illustrious military career, in which he helped create the Israeli Air Force and plan the attack that began the Six-Day War, one of Israel's leading statesman is coming under fire.

(15) Name this man, who allegedly received large gifts from a French businessman.

Answer:

Ezer Weizman

(5) Name the position he holds in the Israeli government, which is largely ceremonial.

Answer:

President

(10) This former prime minister is being mentioned as a replacement for Weizman, should he resign or be forced out of office.

Answer:

Shimon Peres

11

FTPE, identify the following people or characters associated with T.S. Eliot's "The Waste Land."

(10) Dubbing him "the better craftsman," Eliot dedicated his work to this fellow poet, who was instrumental in editing the poem.

Answer:

Ezra Pound

(10) Supposedly "the wisest woman in Europe," she is suffering from a bad cold when we encounter her in the poem. She concludes her speech with the ominous observation that "one must be so careful these days."

Answer:

Madame Sosostris

(10) Widely thought to represent a homosexual, this Smyrna merchant invites the narrator to "luncheon at the Cannon Street/Followed by a weekend at the Metropole."

Answer:

Mr. Eugenidesi

12.

Yesterday in Rio de Janeiro, FIFA crowned the best club soccer team in the world in its World Championships. Answer the following about the contest, FTSNOP.

(5) This English club, which already won a "world championship" earlier this season in Tokyo, flamed out, going 1-1-1 and finishing third in their group.

Answer:

Manchester United

(10/10) These two Brazilian clubs, neither of which qualified and were both invited by FIFA, met in Friday night's final.

Answer:

Vasco da Gama and Corinthians

(5) This legendary Spanish club tied for first in their division behind the scoring outbursts of Nicolas Anelka. Due to goal differential, however, they were left out of the final.

Answer:

Real Madrid

13.

Identify the following Rene Magritte paintings from the descriptions FTSNOP.

(5) It features a steam train emerging from a fireplace, beneath a mantle on which sit a clock and two candlesticks.

Answer:

Time Transfixed

(10) Magritte made several versions of this painting, each time expressly denying that the featured object is what it is.

Answer:

The Treachery of Images

(15) Despite the blue daytime sky above, this painting features the glow of a small streetlight, which is reflected in an adjacent body of water.

Answer:

The Empire of Lights

14.

Identify these legal codes from clues.

(10) These were the 613 laws in Torah that the Hebrews were instructed by God to obey.

Answer:

Mosaic code or Mosaic Laws

(10) This code of laws forms the basis for many European legal systems, as well as those of Louisiana and Quebec.

Answer:

Napoleonic Code

(10) The rediscovery and subsequent study of this code of laws led to the founding of the University of Bologna, Europe's first university, in the 11th Century.

Answer:

Justinian Code

15.

Answer these questions about Cuban-American relations for the stated number of points.

(15) What 1966 law grants any Cuban who reaches American soil the right to stay?

Answer:

Cuban Readjustment Act.

(15) What U.S. governor from what state made a trip to Cuba this past year, the first such trip since the 1950s? Five points if you know just the state.

Answer:

George Ryan, Illinois.

16.

Identify the S.I. units for each of the following items, 10 points each:

(10) Power

Answer:

<u>Watt</u>s

(10) Magnetic Field Answer: Tesla

(10) Inductance

Answer:

<u>Henry</u>

17.

Identify the following about the lost city of Atlantis for the stated number of points.

(10) Identify the philosopher with whom the myth of Atlantis may have originated when he told of its structure of concentric circles.

Answer:

Plato

(5/5) For 5 points each, identify the two dialogues of Plato where Atlantis is discussed.

Answer:

Timeaus and Critias

(10) Name the author of "The New Atlantis, "which describes a philosophical society devoted to the natural sciences."

Answer:

Francis Bacon

18

Answer the following about theorists of child development, 5-10-15.

(5) This Swiss psychologist divided development into four stages: sensorimotor, preoperational, concrete operational and formal operational thought.

Answer: Jean Piaget

(10) He divides moral development into three stages, and notes the change in moral thought based on external controls and punishments to self-generated principles.

Answer: Lawrence Kohlberg

(15) This Russian stress the role social interaction exerts on development, and how children who know how to complete a task can teach ignorant children in the zone of proximal development.

Answer: Lev <u>Vygotsky</u>

19.

Identify the following concerning that greatest of states, North Dakota, 5-10-15

- (5) North Dakota's largest city, it lent its name to a film that took place mostly in Minnesota Answer: Fargo, North Dakota
- (10) The National Park in Badlands of the Southwestern part of the state named after a president.

 Answer: Theodore Roosevelt National Park
- (15) The town known as the Geographical Center of North America

Answer: Rugby, North Dakota

20.

Identify the following works of the Greek epic poet Hesiod FTPE.

(10) This work, giving an account of the alliances among gods, also details their creation.

Answer: Theogony

(10) In this work, Hesiod attempts to instruct on the best way to navigate the dangerous world. His suggestion is to be just.

Answer: The Works and Days

(10) There is debate over whether this listing is actually Hesiod's and little of it is still extant, but it suggests a less patriarchal side of the poet.

Answer: <u>The Catalogue of Women</u>

21.

Answer the following about Reconstruction politics, FTPE.

(10) This firebrand Congressman from Pennsylvania was one of the few whites dedicated to racial equality. His death in 1868 came as he was managing the impeachment trial of Andrew Johnson.

Answer: Thaddeus Stevens

(10) Along with Blanche K. Bruce of Virginia, this native of Mississippi was one of two African-American senators.

Answer: Hiram Revels

(10) This piece of legislation, passed in 1864 but vetoed by Lincoln, became the initial plan for Reconstruction. It included the Iron Clad oath and required a majority of white males pledge loyalty to the Union before a civilian government was restored.

Answer: the Wade-Davis bill

22.

Identify the composer from clues 15-5:

(15) He composed the ballet La Peri and a Symphony in C Major

(5) The Sorcerer's Apprentice; the canatata Velleda

Answer: Paul <u>Dukas</u>

(15) This organ teacher taught Johan Christian Bach and his chorale preludes remain important tot his day.

(5) However, he is primarily remembered for his "Canon in D Major."

Answer:

Johann Pachelbel

23.

Answer these questions about the 2000 New York Senate race.

(5) Mrs. Clinton has been accused of being one of these, a term that dates back to the Reconstruction. She's in good company, though, as Robert F. Kennedy was accused of being one, too.

Answer: <u>carpetbagger</u>.

(10) Name the outgoing Senator whose seat will be fought over by Hillary Clinton and Rudy Giuliani. Answer: Daniel Patrick Moynihan

(15) Name the New York Representative that might also be the Republican candidate for Senator Moynihan's seat.

Answer:

Rick Lazio

24.

On a 30-20-10 basis, identify this American author.

- (30) After being expelled from Yale's class of 1806, he served in the US Navy until 1810. In 1839, he would publish a comprehensive *History of the United States Navy*.
- (20) He offended his American readers with works such as "A Letter to His Countrymen" and "The American Democrat," which criticized the provincialism of early 19th-century America.
- (10) Though he is best known for his Leatherstocking series, his novel *The Deerslayer* was mercilessly satirized in an essay by Mark Twain.

Answer:

James Fenimore Cooper

25

For 5 points each, with an additional 5 for all correct, name the countries the following rugby teams play for:

(5) All Blacks

Answer: New Zealand

(5) Springboks

Answer: South Africa

(5) Pumas

Answer: Argentina

(5) Wallabies

Answer: Australia

(5) Eagles

Answer: United States

26.

Identify the following about a rap superstar FTP each:

(10) He recently released his third album in three years The Life and Times of Shaun Carter and it

immediately went platinum.

Answer: <u>Jay-Z</u>

(10) Jay-Z is may be best known for last year's summer anthem which stole the hook from Annie.

Name it.

Answer: "It's a Hard Knock Life"

(10) Jay-Z introduced this explicit female rap star who takes her name from a 70s blaxploitation film on

his first album Reasonable Doubt.

Answer: Foxy Brown

27.

Answer these questions about the Kingdom of Hawaii, 15-15.

(15) Name the man who founded the Kingdom of Hawaii, after uniting the Hawaiian Islands in 1810.

Answer: Kamehameha (kah-MAY-ha-MAY-ha) Lor Great (prompt on Kamehameha)

(15) This woman was the last ruler of Hawaii, less than a century after Kamehameha.

Answer: <u>Liliuokalani</u> (LI-li-oo-oh-kah-LAH-nee)