

Deep Bench 2001

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HISTORY-American

1. Originally stemming from mutual US and British concerns that European powers would attempt to restore Spanish colonies in the Americas, it was to exclude Britain. However, John Quincy Adams felt the policy should belong to America alone. For 10 Points, what 1823 foreign policy statement attempted to assert unilateral US protection over the Western Hemisphere, but was largely ignored by European powers and not invoked by the US until 1833 due to the weakness of the American military?

Answer: The Monroe Doctrine

MISCELLANEOUS-Fringe Culture

2. Its 44th annual national conference was held in Toronto in 2001 with events ranging from social activities to medical and personal development workshops to seminars to athletic events. In recent months, the organization's 5000 members have been divided over a controversial series of operations to lengthen arms and legs in an effort to make them more proportional, with opponents saying people should take pride in their differences and proponents arguing that any opportunity to become more normal is a gift. Begun in 1957 by actor Billy Barty, For 10 Points, what organization's mission is to provide support and information to people under 4' 10" in height and their families?

Answer: Little People of America

SCIENCE-Biology

3. Its member species are bilaterally symmetrical, non-segmented and hermaphroditic. They also lack a coelom (see-lum), an anus, circulatory and respiratory systems and endo- and exoskeletons. They are particularly well-known to High School science students for their utility in studying regeneration. For 10 Points, what is this phylum, consisting of the classes Tubellaria, Trematoda and Cestoda, which contains Tapeworms and is commonly known as the Flatworms?

Answer: Platyhelminthes

HUMANITIES-Mythology/Bible

4. He was born on December 25th and his followers adhered to rituals such as baptism, the rite of communion, the use of holy water, the adoption of Sundays as holy days, the belief in the immortality of the soul, the last judgement, and the resurrection. As a deity, he appears in the Zoroastrian Avesta as the chief "yazata," or "beneficent one" and ruler of the world. After the 7th century BCE, he became god of the sun, which caused Greeks in Asia Minor to identify him with Helios and allowing his cult to spread. For 10 Points, who is the ancient Persian god of light and wisdom, whose cult was largely done in by the spread of the similar Christianity?

Answer: Mithra (do not accept Jesus Christ)

SOCIAL SCIENCE-Sociology/Archeology/Anthropology/Psychology/Linguistics

5. A key question in modern Anthropology addresses whether or not it is true, as it is easy to formulate, but difficult to establish or disprove. Theorized by two American linguists, one of whom was a student of Boas, it states that the language we use determines how we experience the world and how we express that experience. For 10 Points, what linguistic theory puts forth the notion of linguistic determinism?

Answer: Sapir-Whorf hypothesis (Also accept Whorfian hypothesis)

HISTORY-European

6. In April 1700, the Danish army invaded Schleswig, causing Charles XII to invade Narva, Riga, Warsaw, and Leipzig in retaliation. These invasions resulted in the winter of 1708-9 being one of constant fighting between the two nations. The war continued, with Russia aligning with Poland, Denmark, Saxony, Prussia, and Hanover against the Swedes. For 10 Points, which war saw The Alliance attempt to end Swedish hegemony in the Baltics, the battle of Poltava and its end in the Treaty of Nystad?

Answer: Great Northern War (also accept Second Northern War)

HUMANITIES-Film/Video/Stage

7. Elements of this include frame size, planes of a frame from front to back, top to bottom and left to right, space, lighting, angle, color, lenses, filtering, type of film stock, lines, staging, and composition. It also includes components that are more noticeable to the not-so-savvy film viewer like positioning characters, props, and scenery in such a way that important relationships among them can be articulated without being made totally obvious. For 10 Points, what part of cinematography involves the placement of actors, objects and scenery within a frame to create visual weight and movement and takes its name from the French for "arranging the scene"?

Answer: mise-en-scène

SOCIAL SCIENCE-Geography/Demography

8. Rumor has it that they were going to build a replica at PacBell park leading from McCovey Cove back into the outfield. **According to an old legend, its 40,000 basaltic columns were placed by folk hero Finn Mac Cumhail. In fact, the columns, which stand 6 feet high, were created about 50 million years ago when a lava flow cracked vertically along regular geometric angles as it slowly cooled. For 10 Points, which Northern Ireland landmark was said to be used as a means for giants to cross between Ireland and Scotland?

Answer: Giant's Causeway

SCIENCE-Engineering/Technology/Math/Computer Science

9. Garrison in North Dakota claims to have the fifth largest one in the United States. The one outside of Lexington, South Carolina has the largest one in the nation, while the one in Mecosta County, Michigan is touted as the largest one in the world. Elsewhere in Michigan, the one in Nowego County rather meekly proclaims itself as the largest one east of the Mississippi River. While none of these are as impressive as Hoover or Aswan, they are notable for the material from which they were constructed. For 10 Points, what feat of Engineering has allowed for the formation of reservoirs without pouring an ounce of concrete?

Answer: Earthen Dams (prompt on Dam)

LITERATURE-American

10. *Smart Women* is the story of Margo and B.B., divorced friends living in Colorado, and of their two teen-aged daughters. *Wifey* is the story of Sandy Pressman, who was raised to lead a fifties life: grow up, get a college degree just in case, marry well, and have children. These novels for adults, along with the more recently-published *Summer Sisters*, are the work of, For 10 Points, which author of the elementary school classics *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* and *Superfudge*?

Answer: Judy Blume

HISTORY-World

11. According to legend, it was founded by Yu, who is said to have drained the Yellow River valley after a great flood and established administrative regulations, such as hereditary rulership. Yu and his heirs led a society that had use of the potter's wheel, bronze weapons, and chariots and lived peacefully until a rebellion led by T'ang overthrew them and led to the creation of the Shang dynasty. For 10 Points, what dynasty did Yu found in the 22nd Century BCE, said to be China's first?

Answer: The Xia (Hsia) Dynasty

SCIENCE-Chemistry/Physics

12. It is based on the observation that if a system A is in thermal equilibrium with a system B and system B is in thermal equilibrium with a system C, then A will be in equilibrium with C if they were to be placed in mutual contact. Thus, a numerical scale can be established for the common property. If A, B, and C have the same numerical values of this property, they will be in mutual thermal equilibrium if they were placed in contact. This describes, For 10 Points, which law of thermodynamics that establishes the existence of temperature?

Answer: Zeroth law of thermodynamics

HISTORY-Ancient

13. Although he wasn't born into royalty, wasn't a great warrior, didn't make any far-spreading conquests for his kingdom, show concern for his people's welfare, codify any laws, enlarge the bounds of knowledge or inspire new movements in art, he is still remembered to this day for the size of his ego, which is reflected in the size of his burial tomb. For 10 Points, which Ancient Egyptian ruler was the protege of the first king of the fourth dynasty before ruling between 2900 and 2875 BCE and built his Ikhet, or "the Glorious" pyramid at Giza?

Answer: Khufu (also accept Cheops)

MISCELLANEOUS-General Knowledge

14. Variants on it include the Absolutely Fabulous, Christmas, All Star, El Diablo, Broadway, Fretful, Leap Year, Bronx, Caribbean Queen, Emerald, Hemingway, Spider Bite and the wholly unsurprising Goldeneye and Goldfinger. Prepared with all manner of alcohols, juices and carbonated beverages in all sorts of different proportions, they are all linked by maintaining the drink's traditional ingredients. For 10 Points, what cocktail is traditionally made by mixing gin and vermouth in a 2:1 proportion?

Answer: Martini

HUMANITIES-Music/Dance

15. Invented by a Belgian around 1840, they were first introduced into the symphonic orchestra in 1844 and orchestral parts have occasionally been written for them by the likes of Berlioz, Bizet, Richard Strauss, Debussy and Villa-Lobos, though they are primarily used today in jazz and rock combos, as well as in marching bands. These multiple uses are due to the instrument's versatility, as its tone quality ranges from soft and flutelike to brassy and metallic. For 10 Points, what instrument is the choice of Coleman Hawkins, Saturday Night Live bandleader Lenny Pickett, Charlie Parker and John Coltrane, and takes its name from its inventor, Aldophe Sax?

Answer: Saxophone

LITERATURE-Foreign

16. Switched upon their birth at twelve a.m., August 15, 1947, the child of a wealthy Muslim family is sent to be raised in a Hindu tenement, while the Hindu baby ends up living a life of luxury. Like India itself, Saleem--the Hindu raised by Muslims--is falling apart. Due to his degeneration, Saleem decides to write his life story while he is living it. All this happens in, For 10 Points, which 1980 Booker Prize-winning novel by Salman Rushdie whose title describes the 1001 babies born at the dawn of Indian independence?

Answer: Midnight's Children

MISCELLANEOUS-Current Events

17. On June 1, 2001, a drunk man abruptly ended a family dinner by arguing with his parents about the woman they wanted him to marry. He left the room, only to return with a high-powered rifle, which he turned on his parents, nine other family members and finally himself. The head of the family was admired by millions of his countrymen as a reincarnation of the Hindu god Vishnu and was leader of his country. For 10 Points, which son of Nepal's King Birendra flew into a murderous rage that June night but was allowed to take his father's place as heir, in keeping with lines of succession?

Answer: Crown Prince Dipendra

SCIENCE-Geology/Meteorology/Environment/Astronomy

18. Introduced from South America primarily for backyard water gardens, they have rapidly spread into waterways, causing problems in both boat traffic lanes and irrigation ditches with their spongy roots. These roots, however, have proven useful in absorbing water pollutants and as a fiber source for making paper. For 10 Points, identify this aquatic member of the family of fragrant bulb-growing, bell-shaped flowers said to have sprung from the blood of a beautiful Greek youth tragically killed by a discus.

Answer: Water Hyacinth

SOCIAL SCIENCE-Political Science/Law/Government

19. Identified by the exciting title "Rule 22," it was successfully used a mere five times in the first 46 years of its existence. It was prompted by numerous delays in passing appropriations bills during World War One, which frustrated President Wilson in spite of his belief that "the proper duty of a representative body to look diligently into every affair of government and to talk much about what it sees." For 10 Points, what well-intentioned but seldom used Senate rule required a 2/3, then 3/5 majority vote to end too much talk about any given bill?

Answer: Cloture

HUMANITIES-Art/Architecture

20. An 1865 work with this title was accepted at the Salon, but didn't cause a scandal, as its namesake did there two years earlier. The latter one depicts 6 figures in the woods: A man with a hat reclining under a large tree, a man and a woman seated around a blanket and a man standing next to two women, one clad in pink, the other in green. All in all, the painting is not much to speak of, considering that the original shows two men, a picnic basket, and a nude woman. For 10 Points, what is the shared name of these two paintings, one by Manet and one by Monet?

Answer: Luncheon on the Grass, or Le Déjeuner sur l'Herbe

EXTRAS

SOCIAL SCIENCE-Economics/Business

First sketched on a napkin in 1974, shows that tax revenues will rise as tax rates do only up to a certain point, at which higher rates discourage productivity and result in ultimately lower government intakes. At the top of the parabola tax revenues are maximized with the correct tax rates. For 10 Points, which Economic curve graphically represented the underlying theory of Reagan-era Supply-Side Economics?

Answer: Laffer Curve

LITERATURE-English

Born at Thornton, England on July 23, 1817, he came to be called by his mother's maiden name. As a young child, his home was a place of creativity, leading to his sisters' affinity for writing stories and his own interest in painting. In 1838, he departed for Leeds to study painting, but after less than a year painting portraits, he returned home in debt. He later worked as a tutor and a clerk on the Leeds-Manchester railway. His only literary claim to fame came when three volumes of poetry including the works "Thorp Green," and "Sir Henry Tunstall" were published. For 10 Points, which brother of Emily, Anne and Charlotte died of tuberculosis on September 24, 1848 without ever having published a novel?

Answer: Patrick Branwell Brontë

LITERATURE-Ancient

Its closing portion contains a list of the daughters of Zeus, forming the introduction to a lost poem, the "Catalogue of Women," which traces the exploits of heroes born to mortal women. This poem, the author's first, systematized Greek myth and included newer divinities unknown in Homer. It also recounted the creation of the world out of chaos, the birth of the gods, and contained descriptions of their adventures. For 10 Points, identify this 8th Century poem of the Greek poet Hesiod.

Answer: Theogony

HUMANITIES-Philosophy/Theology/Education

This group rebelled against the notion that moral choice involves an objective judgment of right and wrong, believing that no objective rational basis can be found for moral decisions. Eventually, these and other ideas worked their way into works of literature such as Sartre's *No Exit* and Camus' *The Stranger*. For 10 Points, what philosophical idea was first discussed by Soren Kierkegaard and was bolstered by Martin Heidegger?

Answer: Existentialists (or -ism)

MISCELLANEOUS-Sports/Games

In an alternate form, it may be played using a tennis ball and paddles, challenging the players by requiring finer hand-eye coordination than the traditional, more well-known version. The outcome of each game is influenced by which player serves, so a match should consist of several games, with both players taking turns at serving. The margin of victory, as in Tennis and Volleyball, must be at least two games, otherwise the player who serves the first game will be at a disadvantage. To begin, two players, each confined to one half of an area surrounding a pole, try to hit a ball similar to a volleyball repeatedly in one direction so that the rope to which it is attached wraps completely around a pole in, for 10 Points, what popular playground game?

Answer: Tetherball