

"Star Trek: The Packet"

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Subject: Based upon Gene Roddenberry's "Star Trek"

Tossups

T1. She kidnapped Geordi La Forge in an attempt to brainwash him into assassinating Klingon governor Vagh(*). Despite her failure, she went on to bigger and better things, like sneaking supplies to the Duras faction in the Klingon civil war, and trying to invade Vulcan under the guise of a peace initiative. FTP, name this only blonde Romulan, who, through a bizarre series of events, was the daughter of Tasha Yar. (_Sela_)

T2. These useful devices are connected directly into a circuit, and come in a variety of sizes, ranging from about one amp in a car(*) to 30 amps in small appliances and higher. Common in the 20th century, the technology to build them was evidently lost by the 23rd, as shown by the shower of sparks thrown out by the computer systems every time the ship is shot. FTP, name these electrical devices, which melt to prevent wires from overheating. (_Fuse_)

T3. Once upon a time, the eccentric shopkeeper Obe noticed that a weary traveler, Greb, overpaid him for a canister of beetle snuff(*). He set out to Greb's hometown to make restitution, but when he was halfway there, he was murdered by assassins hired by none other than Greb, who had been carrying on an affair with Obe's wife. This parable inspired, FTP, which Ferengi Rule of Acquisition, which reads, "Once you have their money, you never give it back"? (_First Rule of Acquisition)

T4. It is located 7.8 light-years from Earth in the constellation Leo. Admiral J. P. Hanson(*) decided to make his stand here, but the attacker was too much for the Starfleet forces, and by the time the Enterprise arrived on the scene, thirty-nine starships were destroyed and 11,000 lives lost, including that of Jennifer Sisko. FTP, name this location of a disastrous attempt to prevent a Borg attack on Earth. (_Wolf 359_)

T5. He established a "technical information service" in which he sold rights to a Vulcan fuel synthesizer(*) to the Denebians. However, he did not actually have the rights to that synthesizer to begin with, and he was off on the run again, this time landing on a class-K planet he named for himself. He had previously been involved in the trafficking of the illegal Venus drug, and would run afoul of the Enterprise again when he attempted to escape his planet of androids. FTP, name this noted interstellar con man. (Harcourt Fenton "Harry" _Mudd_)

T6. "I mean, how old are you people? What have you done with yourselves(*)? You, you must be almost 30... have you ever kissed a girl? I didn't think so! There's a whole world out there! When I was your age, I didn't watch television! I LIVED! So... move out of your parent's basements! And get your own apartments and GROW THE HELL UP! I mean, it's just a TV show dammit, IT'S JUST A TV SHOW!" FTP, give the three-word catchphrase launched by this infamous 1986 Saturday Night Live skit featuring William Shatner. (_Get A Life!_)

T7. Spaceborne and of unknown origin, it roamed the universe, absorbing the energy of biological life-forms(*) and leaving behind telltale bitrious filaments. It attacked at least 12 planets before the Enterprise tracked it down and attempted to communicate with it using a graviton pulse. However, an angry scientist, whose son had been killed in a previous attack, turned up the frequency and destroyed the creature. FTP, name this snowflake-like space being, responsible for destroying the colony where Data was built. (the _Crystalline Entity_)

T8. Born in 1934 to a Yeshiva University professor and a music teacher, she attended the New York High School of Music and Art(*), where she learned baton twirling, ice skating, acting, juggling, dancing, piano, violin, and ventriloquism. She made her first big appearance on "Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts" in 1952, and five years later, she had her own TV show. During all this, she had time to co-author the Original Series episode "The Lights of Zetar". FTP, name this famous entertainer who died in 1998, best known for her work with Hush Puppy, Charlie Horse, and Lamb Chop. (Shari _Lewis_)

T9. Their disruptor technology is powerful enough to wreak havoc on Federation shields, and their starships are equipped with cloaking devices(*). Betazoids are unable to sense their thoughts. Little else is known about this reclusive race, apart from their preference for cold weather and their remarkable re-use of the helmet Princess Leia wore in her bounty hunter disguise in "Return of the Jedi". FTP, identify this species, who allied themselves with the Dominion in the last season of DS9. (_Breen_)

T10. A graduate of Kent State, his only non-Trek work to date has been on several music videos(*) and on the screenplay for *Mission: Impossible II*. In the great Trek tradition of inbreeding, he married Jeri Ryan in 2002. He is the reason why Trek these days seems to be so full of references to Bozeman, Montana - his birthplace. FTP, name this frequent Trek episode author, who replaced Jeri Taylor as the third executive producer on "Enterprise". (Brannon _Braga_)

T11. The frequent violent plasma storms in this area of space(*) have made it a favorite for pilots of small vessels who attempt to escape larger pursuers. Conveniently located near the Cardassian border, Maquis ships used their superior handling to hide until the Cardassians left. However, a displacement wave in the area proved disastrous for one particular Maquis ship and its Starfleet pursuer. FTP, name this area where the *Voyager* was carried off to the Delta Quadrant. (the _Badlands_)

T12. It became the subject of a bizarre crossover when its creator, a brilliant MIT scientist, appeared on an episode of *Team Knight Rider*(*). Launched in 2002 with a mission to search for new life forms, it was presumed destroyed until it was discovered that it had actually collided with an alien probe. The programs of the two merged, and it attempted to destroy all imperfect biological life forms. FTP, name this space probe, destroyed when it confused Captain Kirk with its creator, Dr. Jackson Roykirk. (_Nomad_)

T13. A tall fellow of bluish hue, his race is unknown. He is immensely strong but gentle(*), and has been known to pig out on booze and Betazoid uttaberries, but only with his boss' permission. He has worked at his present job for about thirty years. The only words we have heard him speak are "Thank you for the drinks." Played by Carel Struyken, FTP, name this butler to Lwaxana Troi. (Mr. _Homn_)

T14. Doing it on the original Enterprise required three officers, one of whom entered the code 1-1-A(*), another entering 1-1-A-2-B, and a third entering 3-1-B-2-B-3, before code 0-0-0 topped it off. It was a much simpler task on later vessels, requiring only dermal handprint identification of the two most senior officers on the ship plus a verbal command. FTP, identify this frequently-used command, usually-but not always-aborted just in time. (_autodestruct_ sequence or _destruct_ sequence or _self-destruct_ sequence)

T15. Crew members on DS9 frequently use a PADD with this number twice on it(*). The Doctor is programmed with the experience of this many medical officers. The Starfleet armada destroys this many Borg ships in "First Contact". Data is unconscious for this many seconds during his first dream, and reads a poem that contains a period of silence lasting this many minutes. In fact, some especially pathetic types like to think that it appears far more frequently than any other number in "Trek". FTP, name this prime number between 40 and 50. (_47_)

T16. Despite his pride in his heritage, he is familiar enough with Earth culture to quote such humans as William Shakespeare and Adlai Stevenson(*). Although he felt he could not trust the Federation, he nonetheless was able to work out a plan with Starfleet's Admiral Cartwright to assassinate Chancellor Gorkon before the Khitomer peace conference could take place. However, the Enterprise and the Excelsior tracked down his cloaked Bird of Prey and destroyed it with a single torpedo. FTP, name this one-eyed bad guy from *Star Trek VI*. (General _Chang_)

T17. *Big Momma's House*, *The Princess Diaries*, *Dr. Doolittle 2*, *Mission to Mars*, *Hollow Man*, *Blue Streak*(*), *The Animal*, *Stepmom*, *Payback*, *Waterworld*, *Inspector Gadget*, *The Time Machine*, *Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron*, *Wild Wild West*, *Flubber*, and Disney's *Dinosaur*. FTP, all these films had a larger opening-weekend take than what latest film installment of the Trek series? (Star Trek: _Nemesis_)

(AUTHOR'S NOTE: All this after Rick Berman warned Martin Scorsese that box-office figures for *Gangs of New York* would suffer because he was facing the "daunting" task of opening opposite *Nemesis*.)

T18. His exploits are among the many that are required reading at Starfleet Academy. Perhaps his greatest accomplishment was the victory at Axanar(*), which helped to preserve the Federation. However, it should also be noted that after the people of Antos IV helped him recover from an accident, he showed his gratitude by destroying the planet. With a new ability to impersonate anyone he wanted, he proclaimed himself Master of the Universe, and nearly got away with it, too. FTP, name this insane, power-mad Starfleet captain, whose impersonation of Kirk allowed William Shatner to go over the top like never before. (_Garth_ of Izar)

T19. "You canna' change the laws of physics," claims Scotty. Captain Kirk proclaims, "We come in peace, shoot to kill."(*) Dr. McCoy gives the bad news that "It's worse than that, he's dead, Jim." Spock announces that "It's life, Jim, but not as we know it." And Uhura must repeatedly remind the captain that "there's Klingons on the starboard bow." FTP, name this 1987 song that went to #1 in the UK, performed by the non-Jimmy Page version of The Firm. (_Star Trekkin'_)

T20. This game was played widely aboard the Enterprise, among both the senior and the junior officers. Wesley Crusher proved his incompetence(*) in the game on one occasion, and it saved the ship once when Data noticed a pattern of threes. Still, it is not a game any sane person would play with an android that has incredible mathematical skill, a Klingon who hates to lose, a blind guy who can see your hand, and an empath who can tell when you're bluffing. FTP, name this game, which Captain Picard finally joined in the last scene of *Next Generation*. (_Poker_)

T21. Coined by Robert Justman, it made its only appearance in a script in "The Man Trap", when Sulu thanked Janice Rand for bringing him lunch. In an attempt to carry on the joke, the *Next Generation* team created a picture of a parrot with the show's creator superimposed on it, then snuck it into an overview of Starfleet records. FTP, give this enduring nickname for Gene Roddenberry. (The _Great Bird of the Galaxy_)

T22. After a fierce battle, the crew finds themselves stranded in a starship graveyard(*). With the ship unable to move, the chief of security forms a special Hazard Team to handle the difficult task of boarding a Borg ship and stealing a component that will aid in repair. Before it's all over, Alexander (or Alexandria) will have fought Borg, Klingons, Hirogens, Harvesters, Species 8472, and, if he or she is on a network, other humans. FTP, name this Star Trek game based on the Quake engine. (Star Trek: Voyager: _Elite Force_)

Bonuses

B1. If a Star Trek producer likes your work, you're set for life. Several actors have had the honor to play characters from multiple species over the years. Answer these questions about them FTPE.

A. The first to do so was this actor, who was the first-ever Romulan seen on Trek and a Klingon commander in Star Trek 1, but was most famous for playing Sarek. (Mark _Lenard_)

B. The first woman to threepeat was this star of the short-lived series "Love and War", who first appeared as Vulcan Dr. Selar, then returned as Worf's mate K'Ehlyr, and showed up as a female Q on Voyager. (Suzie _Plakson_)

C. His first appearance came as a Romulan in the first season of TNG. Then he played 19th-century human gambler Frederick La Rouque, before striking it big with the role of Gul Dukat. (Marc _Alaimo_)

B2. The universe is a place of infinite diversity in infinite combinations, as the Vulcan saying goes. Funny, then, that so many planets should bear a striking resemblance to Earth in the 20th century. Given a description of the planet, name the Original Series episode FTPE.

A. Planet 892 IV, just like Earth in the 1960's, except ruled by the Roman Empire. (_Bread and Circuses_)

B. An unnamed planet, just like Earth in the 1960's, except with super-long-lived children and no adults. (_Miri_)

C. Planet Ekon, just like Earth in the 1960's, but ruled by a Federation cultural observer who accidentally made himself Fuhrer of a Nazi state. Often cited as an example of why the Prime Directive should be followed, it's actually a better example of the kind of morons who can get work in the Federation. (_Patterns of Force_)

B3. (Moderator: call the captains of each team forward. Provide each with a marker.) Now, in the true spirit of the Original Series, I demand that the two of you battle to the death.

(Scoring the battle:

If someone gets whiny, i.e. "This is stupid. I don't wanna do this" or doesn't try at all: -10 for the whiner.

If the fight continues until one person is clearly the winner: 10 for the winner.

If a fighter uses the Vulcan nerve pinch: 5 bonus points to his original score.

If someone attacks the moderator: 20 points.

If one fighter delivers an impassioned speech about the dignity of all mankind and denounces the savagery of the moderating race: 30 for the clever Kirk impersonator.)

B4. William Shatner has made a second career for himself pretending that his musical recordings were an elaborate joke, but that can't explain why so many other Trek actors suffer the delusion of singing talent. Answer the following FTSNOP.

A. In "A Visit to a Sad Planet", a single released by Leonard Nimoy, Mr. Spock beams down to a planet which was once beautiful, but was devastated by warfare. Then, in a *highly shocking* twist ending, Spock reveals the planet's name is... for 1 point... what? (_Earth_)

B. For 4: This album by Brent Spiner, featuring his renditions of classic showtunes, is actually fairly competent, if highly overpriced. (_Ol' Yellow Eyes is Back_)

C. For 10: Grace Lee Whitney, desperate for cash, made several attempts to exploit her "fame" as Janice Rand. The first, this one features swirling synthesizers and an irritating chorus. (_Disco Trekkin'_)

D. For 15: By the 1990's, Nimoy had seemingly learned his lesson, and only narrated this collection of whale songs. He was the perfect choice - his association with "Star Trek" put him in contact with scene-stealing, near-extinct, blubbery, hairless mammals. In "Star Trek IV", at least. (_Whales Alive_)

B5. The producers of recent editions of "Star Trek" usually use virtual unknowns to play the alien or guest of the week. Occasionally, those unknowns go on to bigger and possibly better things. Identify the young actress given her role on TNG for 10, or more recent work for 5.

A. For 10: Sarjenka, an orange-skinned alien girl whom Data violates the Prime Directive to contact.

For 5: Eye candy on WB comedies, including an eponymous show that was cancelled. (Nikki_Cox_)

B. For 10: Ensign Robin Lefler, who helps Wesley uncover the Ktarian game conspiracy. Then she kisses him.

For 5: Little more than eye candy in box-office duds like *Double Jeopardy* and *Where the Heart Is*.

(Ashley_Judd_)

C. For 10: Hedril, a girl from an entirely telepathic species, who uses her powers to reveal the truth about Troi's long-dead sister.

For 5: Somewhat more than eye candy in nearly everything, including *Drop Dead Gorgeous*, *Bring It On* etc. (Kirsten_Dunst_)

B6. Star Trek is a series riddled with catchphrases, from "I'm a doctor, not a (fill in the blank)", to "Make it so", to the most common of all, "I want to direct". Given directing credits, identify the actor FTPE.

A. *Next Generation* episodes "Second Chances" and "The Pegasus", plus ten episodes of DS9, eight of Voyager, and two of that new show. (LeVar_Burton_)

B. *Voyager* episodes "Body and Soul", "Sacred Ground", "Someone to Watch Over Me", and "Unity", plus one of the new show. (Robert Duncan_McNeill_)

C. DS9 episodes "In the Cards", "Inquisition", and "When it Rains", and yes, one of the new show. (Michael_Dorn_)

B7. Critics of the Original Series will often harp on how all the alien space babes instantly fall in love with Captain Kirk. But we nerds know better - some of them fall in love with Mr. Spock instead! Given the scantily-clad tart encountered by the crew of the Enterprise, identify whether she fell in love with Captain Kirk, fell in love with Mr. Spock, or fell in love with someone else FFPE w/a bonus of 5 for all correct.

A. Nameless Romulan commander from "The Enterprise Incident". (_Spock_)

B. Lt. Marla McGivers. (_Someone else_, namely, Khan)

C. Android Rayna Kapec. (_Kirk_)

D. Nurse Edith Keeler. (_Kirk_)

E. Drill thrall Shahna. (_Kirk_)

B8. Every once in a while, a well-known science-fiction author teams up with the usual gang of idiots on the Trek writing team. Given clues, identify the SF author who wrote for "Star Trek" FTPE.

A. The creepy edge this author incorporated into such works as *I Have No Mouth And I Must Scream* was mostly absent from the memorable "The City on the Edge of Forever". (Harlan_Ellison_)

B. Despite volumes of work and the episodes "Shore Leave" and "Amok Time", this author is probably best known for his eponymous Law: "95% of science fiction is crud. But then again, 95% of everything is crud." (Theodore_Sturgeon_)

C. This author actually managed to incorporate his saga of the Man-Kzin wars into the "Star Trek" storyline, but his work went for naught when "The Animated Series" was declared null and void. (Larry_Niven_)

B9. Identify the character, 40/30/20/10/5/1.

For 40: This character does not actually exist in real life, but is skillfully portrayed by an actor or actress.

For 30: In his first appearance, he was played by Shelly Desai and named "V'Sal" in the script, but Desai was replaced by Ken Thorley for subsequent appearances.

For 20: He created the hairpieces worn by Data and Picard when they went undercover as Romulans.

For 10: This Bolian frequently dispenses unsolicited advice to the Enterprise's crew when he cuts their hair.

For 5: He shares his name with a famous Hoople.

For 1: Can it be more obvious? Mot. Mot. Mot Mot Mot Mot Mot. (_Mot_ the Barber)

B10. Everyone knows that in Gene Roddenberry's idealistic future, no humans have any religious beliefs. But the religions of aliens are still good for the occasional plot gimmick, and the Bajorans, Vulcans, and Klingons have proven especially good at providing spiritual subplots. Given a ceremony, identify whether it's Bajoran, Vulcan, Klingon, or none of the above FFPE w/ a bonus 5 for all correct.

- A. A tea ceremony in which you can't drink the tea, because it's poisoned. (_Klingon_)
- B. A gong struck rhythmically during meals to give thanks for the food. (_None_ - that's Betazoid)
- C. The "R'uustai" bonding ceremony. (_Klingon_)
- D. The "Koon-ut-kal-if-fee" ceremonial fight to the death. (_Vulcan_)
- E. The "Kolinahr" pilgrimage. (_Vulcan_)

B11. If you're an actor primarily known for Star Trek, you've got to take your non-Trek roles wherever you can get them, even if it means reinforcing your typecasting. FTPE:

- A. On this NBC series, George Takei played himself at a Star Trek convention. How funny, then, when a real-life alien tries to talk with him about space. (_Third Rock_ from the Sun)
- B. This actor played an actor from an unnamed science-fiction TV show on an episode of *Cybill*, and took Leonard Nimoy's spot in the Head Museum on *Futurama*. (Jonathan _Frakes_)
- C. In this show, featuring Mike McShane, Liz Vassey, and the Lawrence brothers, Takei raised the bar by portraying a Star Trek fan so devoted that he had his features surgically altered to resemble those of George Takei. (_Brotherly Love_)

B12. Already wasted all your budget for the season? Just write an episode that requires no special effects or sets constructed - put a crew member on trial! FSNOP:

- A. For 5: When a Starfleet tribunal was called to determine whether Data was sentient, several unlikely plot twists meant that this Enterprise crew member would have to prosecute him. (_Riker_)
- B. For 10: This race allows prisoners to make a statement regarding their guilt or innocence. Spock made an incredibly long one to buy enough time for the Enterprise to rescue him from a trial for espionage. (_Romulans_)
- C. For 15: As of the 23rd century, the Federation still had the death penalty, but it was only for an offense so horrible, it defies imagination. What is this unspeakably barbaric crime? (_contacting the Talosians_ or _visiting Talos IV_ or other equivalents, so long as they get the Talos bit right)

B13. Would you put your brain in a robot body? It's happened plenty of times on "Star Trek", making war between the mechanoids and the carbon units inevitable. FTPE:

- A. This Enterprise-D crew member, under the influence of an alien probe, constructed a new computer interface that allowed him to practically become the Enterprise. (Lt. Reginald _Barclay_)
- B. This alien, along with his wife Thalassa and his old foe Henocho, stored his consciousness in a pod for half a million years. Temporarily housing himself in Kirk's body, he decided against building a robot body for himself because Henocho was mean. Or something, I didn't watch that episode too carefully. (_Sargon_)
- C. On the flip side, this boyfriend of Major Kira had over half his brain replaced by robotics in a desperate attempt to keep him alive long enough to finish crucial negotiations. So let the poor guy die, already! (Vedek _Bareil_)

B14. Star Trek has performed many episodes relating to 20th-century concerns over the years, and while they may have dealt with timely issues, they rarely worked well as science-fiction plots. FTSNOP:

- A. FFPE, name the two warring factions in Gene Roddenberry's dull and confused Vietnam allegory, "The Omega Glory". (_Yangs_ and _Kohms_)
- B. For 10: This episode of TNG was never shown in the UK because of the rather obvious parallels to the Northern Ireland situation, including a terrorist named Finn and a prediction of an IRA victory. (_The High Ground_)
- C. For 10: This member of the Voyager crew was numbed by heavy crew losses, and took up holodeck combat with the safety off in an effort to feel pain again, becoming the 24th-century equivalent of a "cutter". (_Torres_)

B15. Help Wanted. Dynamic lost starship has an opening in the Delta Quadrant for a nemesis. Applicants must be self-motivated, detail-oriented, and have lumpy foreheads. Apply in person to K. Janeway, c/o USS Voyager. FTSNOP:

A. For 5: Considering one of their ships nearly wiped out all of Starfleet just a couple years back, you'd think a puny ship like Voyager wouldn't stand a chance. I guess they don't make cubes like they used to. (Borg)

B. For 5: A frequent foe in the first couple of seasons, these guys were basically Delta Quadrant ripoffs of the Klingons, apart from not having transporters. The Voyager made it out of their space eventually, but by that time, most people had stopped caring. (Kazon)

C. For 10: These aliens, affected by a horrible disease, occasionally stopped by to steal the crew's organs for transplants. Fortunately, we were spared the sight of Harry Kim, waking up in a bathtub full of ice, with "CALL 911" scrawled in lipstick on the mirror. (Vidians)

D. For 10: Later episodes of the series often featured these aliens taken directly from the Little Golden Book of Speculative Fiction Cliches: a species of hunters who live only for the thrill of pursuing their prey. (Hirogen)

B16. Imagine the life of the *Star Trek* fan in the 70's, with only the Animated Series and scattered conventions to help you keep what there was of your sanity. That, and the occasional Roddenberry-penned TV pilot to raise your hopes. Answer these questions about Roddenberry's crap pilots from the 70s for 15 points each, or announce that you're starting a letter-writing campaign to replace me as author of this packet for 1.

A. In this pilot, *very* loosely adapted into *Andromeda*, a scientist from 1979 wakes up in 2133, where a peace-loving group called, that's right, the Pax battles (in a peaceful way, of course) the evil mutant Tyranians. Starring some random guy, the chick from *All Our Yesterdays*, and, yup, Majel Barrett. (Genesis II)

B. A super-sophisticated android wanders the country searching for his lost programming, helping people along the way. Certainly *not* a ripoff of *The Incredible Hulk*, and the android in TNG was certainly a completely different character. Not to suggest Roddenberry was a hack or anything. Starring a bunch of people you've never heard of, Walter Koenig, and, yup, Majel Barrett. (The Questor Tapes)

B17. What is it with Rick Berman, Michael Piller, and super-secretive spy agencies that operate above the law? Given the description, identify the extralegal intelligence organizations FTSNOP.

A. For 5: Garak's a former member of this agency, named for a type of black rock, which operated parallel to the military until it was nearly exterminated by the Dominion. (Obsidian Order)

B. For 10: The Romulan equivalent of the Obsidian Order, its members can override command decisions, assassinate, and torture at will, without fear of reprisal. Counselor Troi dressed up as a member to aid a defection attempt. (Tal Shiar)

C. For 15: This legally non-existent group was put to work by the Federation on killing off the Founders with a biological weapon. Surely not befitting of Gene Roddenberry's vision of blah, blah, blah. (Section 31)

B18. As a great teacher in another sci-fi movie once said, "Merchandising! Where the real money from the movie is made!" Answer these questions about Trek merchandise FTPE.

A. This company makes the Star Trek action figures, and Bandai repackages them for sale overseas. All figures are individually numbered, which gives a great thrill to collectors until they realize those numbers have seven digits. (Playmates)

B. The Pocket Books wing of this publishing monolith publishes all official Star Trek books. Some seven hundred thousand of these novels exist, 70% of which have the phrase "web of intrigue" somewhere on the back cover. (Simon & Schuster)

C. This West African nation was the first ever to feature "Star Trek" on its currency, and one of its coins, featuring people who look somewhat like Captains Kirk and Picard, can be yours for twenty-some bucks. (Liberia)
(NOTE: As of this writing, the Liberian dollar was worth approximately two American cents.)

B19. A character like Data is really handy for writers to have around, because he can instantly provide exposition into just about anything the writers want to describe. Of course, sometimes the writers get lazy when Data isn't around and ascribe his knowledge to other characters. FTPE:

A. Good thing Tom Paris is a fan of ancient automobiles, and Captain Janeway can identify dung residue with one sniff, or else the Voyager crew may never have figured out what that pickup truck was doing in outer space, and may never have found this famous Earthling, missing nearly 500 years. (Amelia_Earhart_)

B. With Data back on the ship, it's really quite convenient that this character knew a lot about the Wild West, or else we may never have known that the Native American colonists from "Journey's End" all hated Picard because a distant ancestor of his had been involved in an obscure massacre. (Deanna_Troi_)

C. Rom and Quark sure were lucky that Nog was studying Earth history, or else they might never have figured out what historical era they were in when they crash landed near this Earth city. (_Roswell_, N.M.)

B20. The ship's crew awakens to discover that they're missing some time, and at least one of them has a broken limb. Against the advice of the mechanical crewmember, they set about recovering their memories, only to find they were better off not knowing.

A. For 10: This is a synopsis of what 1991 episode of TNG, in which reclusive aliens wipe the crew's memory to prevent their discovery? (_Clues_)

B. For 5: The intro to this question was also an entirely accurate description of the 1988 episode "Thanks for the Memories" of what British science-fiction comedy series? (_Red Dwarf_)

C. For 15: This actress, who played Holly for several series of *Red Dwarf* was shocked when, at a convention, she was asked if the cast had flown to America to steal *Star Trek*'s storylines. Yeah, and they went back in time, too! (Hattie_Hayridge_)