1. This story's narrator threatens to ask Luchesi to verify the authenticity of his newly acquired goods, but another insists that he knows more than Luchesi does, and so he follows the narrator. Along the way, he begins to believe that the narrator is a mason when he sees the narrator's trowel, which will be the instrument of his demise. Instead of showing him some wine, Montresor chains Fortunato to a wall and builds another brick wall to trap him in, FTP, what story by Edgar Allan Poe?
Answer: The Cask of Amontillado
2. The people of its native land call it a "rakshasa," which is the Sanskrit word for "demon," and references to it are found in "Rama and Sita." According to legends, there are actually three species, the Rimi, the Nyalmot, and the Raksi-Bombo, all of which have matted hair of red or gray and usually make whistling noises when not roaring like lions or throwing stones around. Some say that this creature is actually the descendant of early mountain inhabitants called the A-o-re; others claim that it is a descendant of giant apes. Officially declared to exist in 1961 by the Nepalese government, this is, FTP, what supposed Himalayan hominid? Answer: Yeti (prompt very grudgingly on "Abominable Snowman")
3. This term describes a group that equals its own commutator subgroup. A characteristic-p field of this type contains only elements that are p-powers. A graph of this type has the property that the clique number equals the chromatic number for every induced subgraph. FTP, identify this word, which, when applied to positive integers, refers to a number whose proper factors sum to the number itself.
Answer: perfect
4. This poem, which originally appeared in the 1966 collection Death of a Naturalist, evokes agricultural imagery such as "the squelch and slap of soggy peat." The author-voice remembers bringing a bottle of milk "corked sloppily with paper" to his grandfather, who "straightened up to drink it, then fell to right away, nicking and slicing neatly." Beneath a windowsill where the author now sits writing, his father "bends low, comes up twenty years away, stooping in rhythm through potato drills." Concluding with the titular novel use for the "squat pen" which rests "between my finger and my thumb," FTP, name this poem by Seamus Heaney. Answer: Digging
5. He was afflicted with a cancer of the face which had so disfigured his features that he was forced to wear a silk veil to avoid upsetting anyone who saw him. While mustering troops in Kent County, he was informed of the split between his state's two other delegates and immediately took off on his famous ride to Philadelphia to cast his vote for independence, despite the fact that such an ordeal might kill him. FTP, name the only person deemed worthy enough to be featured on Delaware's state quarter.
Answer: Caesar Rodney
6. They had only one exhibition, in 1915 at the Doré Gallery, and broke up due to World War I, though they tried to reunite in the 1920s as Group X. Closely tied to futurism, they produced their own journal, BLAST, edited by their leader, Wyndham Lewis, which included work by Ezra Pound and T.S. Eliot. With other members including William Roberts and David Bomberg, FTP, name this early 20th-century British art movement whose name signifies "turning."
Answer: The Vorticists or Vorticism
7. He was a physician to Louis the Fifteenth, but his most famous work began at the age of 62 in 1756, when he wrote the articles "Grains" and "Farmers" for the Encyclopedia. His most ardent follower, Victor de Mirabeau, authored a tax doctrine based on his ideas, but the most important axiom of his economic school comes from his own Tableaux economique. It states that all wealth originated with the land and, therefore, only agriculture could increase prosperity. FTP, name this French founder of the physiocrats.
Answer: $\quad$ Francois Quesnay (pronounced ke-NAY)
8. He changed his original name, Mirza Husayn Ali Nuri, shortly before a well-known exile in Constantinople from his native Persia. With his half-brother Subhi Azal, he had become the leader of a religious movement at Acre and declared himself the "promised one" foretold by Ali Muhammad of Shiraz, better known as the Bab. FTP, name this author of the Kitabi Ikan or Book of Certitude, founder of a namesake religion centered at Haifa, Israel and Wilmette, Illinois.
Answer: Baha Ullah or Baha Allah or Baha'u'llah
9. The first one, affectionately named Clementine, was built in Los Alamos in 1946. One problem with them is that a substance such as liquid sodium instead of water must be used as a coolant, which can lead to disaster if something goes wrong. Typically, they're primed with an isotope such as uranium- 235 which produces more neutrons than needed to sustain a chain reaction. The extra neutrons are then taken up by isotopes such as Thorium-232 or Uranium-238. FTP, name this type of reactor, so named because it produces a higher population of fissionable atoms than it consumes.
Answer: Breeder reactor
10. Born a plebeian, his rise to military fame likely began with his effective service under Scipio Minor at Numantia. Later in his career, he commanded legions in major defeats of the Teutones at Aquae Sexteae in 102 BCE, and of the Cimbri at Vercelli in 101. His eventual downfall would be brought about by Sulla, who defeated his Popular party and sent him into exile in North Africa. Originally rising to power during the Numidian War, FTP name this Roman consul who in that war defeated Jugurtha.
Answer: Gaius Marius
11. In one of the great scenes of this play, Hermione says to the king "I loved you faithless; had you been faithful, how much more could I have loved you?" She speaks desperately to Pyrrhus, who loves instead the unresponsive title widow, whom he brought to his court at Epirus as a prisoner from a recent war. Significantly altered but clearly adapted from the third book of the Aeneid, FTP, name this 1667 tragedy by Jean Racine about the widow of Hector.

## Answer: Andromaque or Andromache

12. This region's Convergence and Union party is currently facing a power transition, as Artur Mas, the chosen heir of party boss Jordi Pujol, may be defeated in autumn 2003. To garner votes, Mas has put forth a plan at a meeting in Cardona asking for independent representation in European Union bodies and more autonomy, to bring the region's relationship to the central government more on par with neighboring Galicia and the Basque region. FTP, name this industrial heart of Spain with its own language, centered around the metropolis of Barcelona.
Answer: Catalonia or Catalunia or the Catalan region
13. Some of the most recent historians to study it include Colin Jones, who seeks to explain it through the emerging commercialization of society in newspapers, while Sarah Maza points to its roots in judicial cases that developed a public sphere. Though these origins remain elusive, Keith Michael Baker goes so far as to argue that the groundwork for its "Terror" was already laid by the mid-18th century. FTP, name this series of events including such stages as the Great Fear, the Consulate, and the Directory.
Answer: The French Revolution of 1789-1804 (Accept clear-knowledge equivalents.)
14. Synthetic varieties of them, including 2-4 D, must be administered in careful doses despite the relative infrequency of naturally occurring ones like indoleacetic acid. Commercially, they can be used to induce parthenogenic fruiting and thereby create things like seedless tomatoes. Naturally, they are responsible for many forms of tropism, including phototropism, which results from their inhibition by light. Most abundant in meristem, FTP name this class of plant hormones that regulate growth.
Answer: auxins
15. This band set a record between 1967-1972 by remaining on the Billboard charts for 307 straight weeks. Two producers created its moniker, which they then used to rename a Los Angeles group, the 13th Floor, who then proceeded to record their first single, "Let's Live For Today." While its little-known members included Rob Grill, Reed Coonce, Reed Bratton and Warren Entner, FTP, what band is best known from its hits "Temptation Eyes," "Two Divided By Love," and "Midnight Confessions"?
Answer: The Grass Roots
16. His trial abruptly came to an end when fifteen Senators presented the President pro tempore with a round robin pledging that none of them would vote to convict. While on the Railroad Commission, he developed a grudge against the state Standard Oil Company that continued into his governorship, during which he distributed free schoolbooks, built roads and a new state capitol. FTP, name the only man to simultaneously hold the office of governor and U.S. Senator from Louisiana, nicknamed "The Kingfish."
Answer: Huey P(ierce) Long
17. Exhibiting allotropy, an orthorhombic structure of this element may exist at high temperatures. It becomes a gray powder below 13.2 degrees Celsius, a transformation known as its namesake "pest" or "disease." Its best-known and room-temperature form is a tetragonal metal, whose dioxide known as cassiterite is its only commercially important ore. FTP, name this very soft metal that can have valence plus-two or plus-four in compounds, with atomic number 50 .
Answer: tin (accept stannum)
18. Characteristic lines from his works include "Grant me my prayer that I may never lose touch of the one in the play of the many," and "The soil, in return for her service, keeps the tree tied to her; the sky asks nothing and leaves it free." The latter represents his doctrine of "unity consciousness," a commitment to a new transnational world order, underpinned by the same opposition to colonialism that led him to revoke his knighthood in protest of the Amritsar massacre in 1919. FTP, name this Bengali poet, winner of the 1913 Nobel Prize in literature.
Answer: Rabindranath Tagore
19. He rejected countryman Aime Cesaire's ideal of Negritude, instead favoring an interpretation that one's status depends on social position. He called violence a cleansing force, and held that revolution was the only means to free the native from cultural trauma, which some scholars say heavily resembles his friend Sartre's existential angst. Author of Black Skin, White Masks, FTP name this Martinique-born fighter for Algerian independence who also penned the seminal Wretched of the Earth.
Answer: Frantz Fanon
20. This historic fortress city lies on the Meuse River and the Albert Canal system, and is the capital of Limburg province in the Netherlands. In 1579, during the revolt against Spain, a large percentage of the population was massacred by Alessandro Farnese. However, its divided military history has recently been overshadowed by a meeting held beginning in December 1991, whose effects included the creation of a central banking system and a common currency pledge. FTP, name this Dutch city, namesake of the 1992 Treaty of the European Union.
Answer: Maastricht
21. As a governmental unity, it includes many offshore islands, including Bruny and the Furneaux Group, which forms Flinders municipality. Recently, concerns about deforestation have been exacerbated by the development of hydroelectric power on rivers coming down its highest mountain, Legge Tor. Governed by New South Wales until 1825, FTP, name this island state separated from its country's mainland by the Bass Strait.
Answer: Tasmania
22. He was nicknamed "Cal," ironically referencing both Roman emperor Caligula and Shakespeare's slave Caliban. His later output includes the play trilogy The Old Glory, adapted from tales of Hawthorne and Melville, and the odd 1961 poetry collection Imitations, which re-creates and adapts the poems of writers from Homer to Pasternak. The New England milieu of his ancestors rings loudly in "The Quaker Graveyard in Nantucket," part of the Pulitzer-winning 1946 collection Lord Weary's Casle. Author of "Skunk Hour" and The Dolphin, FTP, name this "father of the confessional poets."
Answer: Robert Lowell
23. Classified as an endangered species, societies of these members of family Pongidae are remarkable for their exhibition of female dominance. They are also less aggressive than their closest related species, the slightly larger Pan troglodytes. Classified as Pan paniscus, they are day-active and build sleeping nests in trees, and have been trained to communicate with humans despite their inability to vocalize words. Found only in Congo-Kinshasa, FTP, name this highly-developed primate sometimes called the "pygmy chimpanzee." Answer: bonobo (Accept "Pan paniscus" early; prompt on "pygmy chimpanzee" but not "chimpanzee")
24. One natural phenomenon which occurred during it was a general poleward migration of animals and plants, including the dominant species of the epoch, which eventually achieved wider distribution than any Cenozoicera animal despite poor natural adaptations to cold. This migration was accompanied by a 100 -foot rise in global sea levels, due to the return of meltwater from the colder previous epoch, and the creation of the drainage basins of the Missouri and Ohio rivers. FTP, name this Quaternary-period epoch following the Pleistocene, the only epoch during which the word "epoch" has been used.
Answer: Holocene epoch
25. He became a leading proponent of the picturesque theory, and experimented with various building styles, including Classical, Gothic, and even Chinoiserie [Shin-OZ-ur-ee], producing extravagant designs. However, when Parliament became exasperated and he fell out of favor with George IV, he was disgraced, even though the king recommended that he be made a baronet. FTP, name this architect, most famous for his plans of Regent's Park, Buckingham Palace, and Brighton Pavilion.
Answer: John Nash
26. Hebrew prophets rarely got taken seriously. Identify the following prophets who actually got some people to do something, FTPE.
A. After some better-known travails, this prophet made his way to Nineveh and prophesied destruction in 40 days. The king of Nineveh immediately declared that all people and animals should wear sackcloth, and turn from their evil ways.

Answer:
Jonah
B. Mentioned in the book of Ezra along with Zechariah, the short book about him tells of how he exhorted the leaders of Jerusalem to rebuild the temple, which they eventually did in 515 BCE.

Answer: Haggai
C. Though no longer regarded by most scholars as a prophet, this wise man sentences Nebuchadnezzar to be driven away from human society, to eat grass, and become a hermit. Nebuchadnezzar's reason eventually returns, and he ends up praising God.

Answer: Daniel
2. Name these people not named Charles Darwin who contributed significantly to the development of evolutionary theory, FTPE.
A. This English naturalist illustrated a concept of evolution similar to Darwin's in 1876's The Geographical Distribution of Animals and 1881 's Island Life. His namesake line divides Asian and Australian fauna.

Answer: Alfred Russel Wallace
B. Wallace traveled in Brazil with this man, the first to state a plausible theory of mimicry based on natural selection, which is named for him.

Answer: Henry Walter Bates
C. This eclectic earlier thinker explained organic life according to evolutionary principles in Zoonomia, published between 1794 and 1796.

Answer: Erasmus Darwin
3. Because we don't want to, answer these questions about Cavalier poets FTPE.
A. In 1648, he published the 1200 poem collection Hesperides, which includes "To the Virgins, to Make Much of Time."

## Answer: Robert Herrick

B. He wrote the masque Coelum Brittanicum and the song "Ask Me No More Where Jove Bestows."

Answer: Thomas Carew
C. This Robert Lovelace poem contains the lines "Stone walls do not a prison make,/ Nor iron bars a cage."

Answer: "To Althea from Prison"
4. Answer these questions about a battle FTPE.
A. France's 1954 defeat at this base near the Vietnam-Laos border effectively ended France's presence in Indochina.

Answer:
Dien Bien Phu
B. He commanded Viet Minh forces at Dien Bien Phu and was later commander-in-chief of the North Vietnamese Army.

Answer: $\quad$ Vo Nguyen Giap
C. The fortified positions around Dien Bien Phu were supposedly named for the mistresses of this French Foreign Legion colonel, the leader of French forces at Dien Bien Phu.

## Answer: $\quad$ Christian de Castries

5. Name these musical instruments of India FTSNOP.
A. (10) Designed based on the single-bodied pakhwaraj, this two-piece percussion instrument's left-hand drum is called the bayan, while the right-hand drum bears the name of the instrument.

Answer: tabla
B. (5) Made from a seasoned gourd and teak wood, this lutelike instrument is the most popular instrument in northern India.

Answer: sitar
C. (15) Often accompanying sitar and tabla, this background instrument has four to six strings and provides the drone effect essential to much Hindu music.

Answer: tamboura
6. They contain two hydrocarbon groups bound by single bonds to an oxygen atom. FTPE,
A. Name this class of usually unreactive compounds.

Answer: ethers
B. Name the most common ether, often just called "ether," with formula

CH3CH2OCH2CH3.
Answer: ethyl ether or (IUPAC name) ethoxyethane
C. Name the common laboratory reaction for synthesizing ethers, which reacts an alkyl halide with a sodium alkoxide. Answer: Williamson synthesis
7. Name the following rather random places that have their own entries in the CIA World Factbook, FTPE.
A. This British possession in the Leeward Islands with its capital at Plymouth was wracked by volcanic eruptions in 1995.

Answer: Montserrat
B. Claimed by the United States in 1856, this uninhabited island 3 times the size of Washington, D.C.'s Mall was the island to which Amelia Earhart was destined for a refueling stop before she died in 1937.

Answer: Howland Island
C. Including some 100 very small islands in the South China Sea, they are all claimed in their entirety by China, Taiwan, and Vietnam, while parts are also claimed by Malaysia and the Philippines. All claimants are still wondering whether there could be oil deposits there.

Answer: Spratly Islands
8. Answer the following about an author born on today's date, April 26th, in 1912.
A. This Australian author of A Moon in My Pocket and a "Vatican trilogy" sometimes used the pen name Michael East.

Answer: $\quad$ Morris (Langlo) West
B. West's breakthrough was this 1959 novel about the canonization of Giacomo Nerone and a Catholic Church investigation, headed by an English priest who assumes the titular moniker, a common term for a person who makes negative arguments.

Answer: $\quad$ The Devil's Advocate
C. The first book in West's Vatican trilogy is this novel about Jean Telemond, modeled on real-life scientist-theologian Teilhard de Chardin, whose book is condemned by the Pope.

Answer: $\quad$ The Shoes of the Fisherman
(Author's Note from Steve Bahnaman: Reading about Morris West to research this question, he seemed really underrated, but I can't call him underrated, because I've never read any of his books. The cycle continues.) [Editor's Note: One of your genial quizmaster's most memorable negs was buzzing in early on "This phrase is also the title of a Morris West novel" with (C) when the answer was (B).]
9. Name the U.S. state that currently has within its borders the location where the following historic events took place, 5-10-20-30.
A. The Wounded Knee massacre.

Answer: South Dakota
B. The Battle of Fallen Timbers.

Answer: Ohio
C. The death of Wampanoag King Philip in 1676 after his hiding place at Mt. Hope is betrayed.

Answer: Rhode Island
D. John Chivington massacres Black Kettle's men at Sand Creek.

Answer: Colorado
10. Name the following crossroads deities FTPE.
A. This two-faced Roman god of new beginnings and bifurcations was associated with crossroads.

Answer:
Janus
B. This dog-, snake-, and horse-headed Greek goddess is often misrepresented as the goddess of witchcraft or evil though she is more correctly described as the deity associated with crossroads.

Answer: Hecate (HECK-uh-tee)
(Note: Hecate is represented as a goddess of black magic in Shakespeare's MacBeth and the equally noteworthy film Jason and the Argonauts, wherein Medea mispronounces her name while calling on her for spells.)
C. First place among the deities of the Yoruba tribe of West Africa, this god also appears in Brazilian and Cuban syncretic religions. Living in crossroads and household doorways, he must be appeased before new beginnings and before every ritual act, or he will cause the rituals to fail.

Answer: $\quad$ Eshu (accept "Eleggua," his name in Santeria)
11. Answer these questions about statistics FTPE.
A. If $X$ is a random variable with the standard normal distribution, then $X$-squared has a chi-square distribution with how many degrees of freedom?

Answer: One
B. This theorem states that the distribution of the sum of $n$ independent, identically distributed random variables approaches a normal distribution as n grows large.

Answer: The Central Limit Theorem
C. In hypothesis testing, this term refers to the error of rejecting the null hypothesis when the null hypothesis is true.

Answer: Type I error
12. Answer these questions about an American playwright FTPE.
A. His 1995 play "Seven Guitars" opens with the funeral of blues guitarist Floyd Barton, and then recounts the events leading up to Barton's death.

Answer: August Wilson
B. This August Wilson Pulitzer Prize winner features Troy Maxson, a bitter ex-baseball player who refuses to allow his son Cory to go to college on a football scholarship.

Answer: Fences
C. Set in the 1920's, this play's title character is a blues singer who is verbally abusive to the musicians who work for her.

Answer:
Ma Rainey's Black Bottom
13. Identify these U.S. vice presidents about whom history has relatively little to say, FTPE.
A. Primarily added to the ticket because of a rousing speech he gave at the 1948 Democratic National Convention, this Emory grad returned to Kentucky in 1954 after serving as VP.

Answer: Alben W. Barkley
B. A former mayor of Utica, New York, he was renominated for VP in 1912 but soon died, and was replaced by Nicholas M. Butler on a ticket which would eventually fail to reelect the Republican president.

Answer: James (Schoolcraft) Sherman
C. This DePauw graduate was a publisher of the Huntington Herald-Press, and defeated three-time incumbent democrat Birch Bayh for his Senate seat. Like Barkley and Sherman he, served only one term as vice president.

Answer: (James Danforth) "Dan" Quayle
14. Name these Baroque architects who worked on St. Peter's Basilica in the early 17th century, FTPE.
A) A Neapolitan by birth, he is probably most famous for the bronze baldacchino over the tomb of St. Peter and the huge colonnade that shapes the large piazza in front of the church.

Answer: Gianlorenzo Bernini
B) This man, who preceded Bernini as architect of St. Peter's, was appointed by pope Paul V in 1606. He built on the work of Michelangelo by adding the three-bay nave and projecting facade, whose outermost bays contain bell towers.
Bernini tried to add on to them, but never completed them.
Answer: Carlo Maderno
C) Maderno's nephew, he spent much of his early life in Bernini's shadow, working with him on the baldacchino for St.

Peter's. Probably his most famous commission is the church St. Charles of the Four Fountains.
Answer: Francesco Borromini
15. Name these controversial contemporary thinkers, FTSNOP.
A. In his most widely read book, Race Matters, this self-described "intellectual freedom-fighter" offers an unsparing critique of both American racism and current black leadership.

Answer: Cornel West
B. In Teaching to Transgress, she challenges the privileged feminism of white women. Her latest is Rock My Soul: Black People and Self-Esteem.

Answer: bell hooks (or Gloria Watkins)
C. Though it is said that no one actually reads Anarchy, State, and Utopia, this Harvard libertarian's attacks on John Rawls are widely recognized as one of the strongest contemporary justifications for conservatism.

Answer: Robert Nozick
16. This constellation's kappa star, Saiph, is of the second magnitude. FTPE, name
A. This constellation on the celestial equator.

Answer: Orion
B. The class B2-three star that is Orion's gamma star and left shoulder.

Answer: Bellatrix
C. The four-star system consisting of a visual binary star, whose name comes from the Arabic word for "foot."

Answer: Rigel
17. The 2003 Men's NCAA Basketball Tournament ended in disappointment for a great many seniors whose teams had higher aspirations. Name these players who won't see another March Madness FTSNOP.
A. This 3-point marksman was uncharacteristically cold until the very end of UNC-Wilmington's first-round game against Maryland, only making one shot until there were six minutes remaining. They lost on a last-second shot. We still wonder whether this Seahawks star will get to play in the NBA.

## Answer: $\quad$ Brett Blizzard

B. Xavier had Final Four aspirations, but when this All-American power forward played horribly in a second-round game against Maryland, he ended his career as the only 3-time Atlantic-10 player of the year.

Answer: David West
C. Maryland survived only one game after beating Xavier, with Michigan State putting an end to the careers of two excellent guards, one a pesky point, the other a great shooter who won their first-round game against UNC-Wilmington with a dramatic buzzer-beater. Name both, for 5 points each.

Answer: $\quad$ Steve Blake and Drew Nicholas
18. Identify the following about an old-school literary figure FTSNOP.
A. (5) This 11 th-century poet was probably named "tentmaker" after his father's profession.

Answer: Omar Khayyam
B. (10) This work of epigrammatic verse quatrains was translated in 1859 by Edward FitzGerald.

Answer: The Rubaiyat
C. (15) Though the Rubaiyat has eclipsed Khayyam's scientific achievements, he was the court astronomer to this second Seljuk emperor, son of Alp Arslan, who asked him to reform the calendar.

Answer: Malik Shah
19. Answer the following about a Chinese dynasty FTPE.
A. Lasting from 618 to 907 , this dynasty saw the rise of major poets Li Po and Tu Fu , and the formalization of the civil service examination system.

Answer: $\quad$ T'ang dynasty
B. The beginning of decline of the T'ang dynasty can be traced in large part to its struggle against the rebellion of this general, which lasted past his 757 death until 763.

Answer: An Lu-shan
C. An Lu-shan was rebelling against this 9th T'ang emperor, who had led the empire to its height of territorial expansion before losing to Arabs at Talas in 751.

Answer: Shuan-Tsung
20. Laser stuff FTPE.
A. In order for a laser to work, the active medium must undergo this process in which most of the atoms are in an excited state.

## Answer: Population Inversion

B. A laser that can be adjusted to emit light over a continuous range of wavelengths is described by this term.

Answer: Tunable
C. Light from a laser beam starts out more or less in phase. This quantity is a measure of the distance a beam can travel before the light is out of phase.
Answer: Coherence Length
21. He engaged in the great debate against Juan Gines de Sepulveda. FTPE, idenfity
A. This so-called "apostle of the Indies," who devoted his life to the betterment of the condition of the native population of the Spanish colonies.

Answer: Bartolome de Las Casas
B. The Spanish word for the system of forced labor that gave conquistadors control of the native population.

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\text { Answer: } \quad \text { encomienda }
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C. The unyielding viceroy of Peru who in 1547 repealed a series of protective measures, called New Laws, promoted by Las Casas.

Answer: $\quad$ Pedro de la Gasca
22. Answer the following relating to the remarkably well-referenced Jorge Luis Borges FTPE.
A. In the detective story "Death and Witchcraft," the protagonist Lonnrot gets his name from Elias Lonnrot, the collector of the poems that make up this actual national epic of Finland.

## Answer: <br> Kalevala

B. "Death and Witchcraft" is one of several stories exploring the notion that the concrete world may actually consist only of mental perceptions, the key concept in the work of this English philosopher whose ideas were refined by Hume.

Answer: George Berkeley ("Barkley")
C. In this other Berkeley-inspired work with a Biblical title, Borges creates a symmetrical library that represents man's conception of the universe, but makes the books illegible, to indicate man's ignorance.

Answer:
"The Library of Babel" or "La biblioteca de Babel"
23. Answer these questions about sightings of the Virgin Mary FTPE
A. In 1858, Mary allegedly spoke in Basque to this peasant girl from Lourdes.

Answer: $\quad$ Saint Bernadette (or Marie Bernard Soubirous)
B. Mary supposedly appeared to three child "seers" and handed down three famous "secrets" near this Portuguese town in 1917.

## Answer: Fatima

C. Six children claimed to have seen Mary in 1981 in this town in Bosnia-Herzegovina, and they supposedly see her regularly even today.

Answer: Medjugorje
24. Gerry thought that these moments from "American Idol" were somewhat amusing, so you get to answer questions about them FTPE.
A. Gladys Knight referred to this contestant as a "Velvet Teddy Bear." Great, now we're gonna see a bunch of stuffed animals with " 205 " stamped all over them.

Answer: Reuben Studdard (Accept either name.)
B. The producers splurged and gave the finalists a shopping spree at this store. I don't know why they needed that annoying Steven Cojocaru to help them, because it only takes about 2 minutes to acquire one of everything in the store.

Answer: Old Navy
C. When Lashundra Cobbins changed her name to this, I thought she was just being pretentious, but given that she was arrested on a felony theft charge in 1999, I had to reconsider.

Answer: Trenyce
25. Steve is lazy. Identify the following that appear in a short article in the March 21st, 2003 edition of The Economist, FTPE.
A. This current president of South Korea is justifiably freaking out about a suggestion made by the U.S. State Department that we move 37,000 troops away from the front line with the North.

Answer: Roh Myoo-Hun
B. Mohammed El-Baradei, head of this UN nuclear watchdog organization, is also freaking out about the possibility of North Korea extracting plutonium from some 8,000 spent nuclear fuel rods.

Answer: International Atomic Energy Agency or IAEA
C. The nuclear reactor that used these fuel rods is located at this city about 50 miles north of Pyongyang.

Answer: Yongbyon

