

Chicago Tossups  
1997 Questions on the Crum

1

When Carl Icahn purchased the debt of this company, CEO Ronald Perelman placed it into bankruptcy in such a way as to minimize Mr. Icahn's influence. Though Icahn eventually won control, the company now owes its creditors \$630 million and may go out of business-- a move that would end the Incredible Hulk series at #953. FTP, name this company, better associated with such figures as Spider Man than corporate raiders like Icahn and Perelman.

A: MARVEL Entertainment (Accept Marvel Comics)

2

6:00 pm, October 24, 3936 B.C., according to Hevelius. Sunday, April 27, 4977 B.C., according to Kepler. 3500 B.C., with no date or month given, according to Isaac Newton. October 22, 4004 B.C., according to Bishop James Ussher. FTP, such were the theorized dates for what event, which is now thought to have occurred sometime between 15 and 20 billion years ago?

A: CREATION of the Universe (accept creation of earth or equivalents if answered before the 15-20 billion line)

3

Major events of this war included the sinkings of the General Belgrano and the HMS Sheffield, the amphibious assaults against Port San Carlos, Bluff Cove, and Goose Green, and the capture and recapture of Port Stanley, which effectively ended the war just two months after it had begun. FTP, name this South Atlantic conflict of 1982.

A: The FALKLANDS or MALVINAS War

4

He had the misfortune of being an altarpiece-painter in Basel when the Protestant reformation broke out, instantly destroying his livelihood. His career was saved by a letter of recommendation from Erasmus, which instantly gave him the patronage of Thomas More and the highest circles of English society. FTP, name this man who became portrait painter to England's rich and famous, best known for his "Henry VIII" and "The Ambassadors."

A: Hans HOLBEIN the YOUNGER (prompt on "Holbein")

5

It includes two treatises on marriage and a series of mostly-forgotten stories of the occult, which respectively make up the sections on "Analytical Studies" and "Philosophical Studies." Nearly all of the famous novels are in the "Studies of Manners" section, including "The Country Doctor," "Eugenie Grandet," and "Pere Goriot." FTP, name this collection of ninety novels written by Honore de Balzac.

A: The HUMAN COMEDY (or La COMEDIE HUMAINE)

6

In French folklore, he is the brother of Merovee, the founder of the Merovingian dynasty, and in the medieval poem "Huon de Bordeaux," he is a friendly dwarf who trains the hero in the ways of knighthood. But he is better known for his appearance in Shakespeare, where he is a woodland king whose subjects include Peaseblossom, Mustardseed, and Robin Goodfellow. FTP, name this husband of Titania.

A: OBERON

7

During World War I, he served as chief of Germany's chemical warfare division, and personally oversaw the invention of many of the poison gas compounds used in the war. Because of this, many Western countries refused to grant him asylum in 1933, when he was forced to flee Germany because of his Jewish ancestry. FTP, name this scientist, who won the 1918 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his synthesis of ammonia.

A: Fritz HABER

8

His accusers include Clint Smith, a former employee who was fired for embezzlement; a fourteen-year-old hitchhiker who he picked up in 1992; and an unnamed man who had worked at his Tacoma deli as a teenager in the 1970s. FTP, these are among the mounting legal troubles of what popular TV chef and alleged child molester?

A: JEFF SMITH or the FRUGAL GOURMET

9

During his first months in office, he raised a million dollars for charity by shaving off his mustache, honored Lorena Bobbitt with a state banquet, and recorded a pop album called "El Loco Sings Songs of Love." But he also apparently stole quite a bit of money, and in February 1997, his legislature voted to impeach him on the grounds of

mental incapacity, setting off a short-lived constitutional crisis.  
FTP, name this recently-ousted president of Ecuador.  
A: Abdala BUCARAM

10

It begins with the ascension of Christ and the election of Matthias to replace Judas, and ends several years later with the arrival of Paul in Rome. FTP, name this fifth book of the New Testament, whose central figure is St. Paul and whose traditional author is the evangelist Luke.  
A: The ACTS of the Apostles

11

The three-sided court is called a fronton, the wicker basket is the cesta, and the ball is known as a pelota, which is also an alternate name for the sport itself. FTP, name this fast-paced game of Basque origin, also very popular in Latin America and Florida.  
A: JAI-ALAI (pronounced HIGH align) (accept "pelota" on an early buzz)

12

Crippled for most of her life by the disease lupus erythematosus, she published only three books before her 1964 death, including the novel "The Violent Bear it Away" and the short-story collection "Everything that Rises Must Converge." FTP, name this Georgia-born author, best known for her first novel, 1952's "Wise Blood."  
A: (Mary) Flannery O'CONNOR

13

As long as you are hungry, all your behavior will be directed toward finding food. Once you have eaten, you start to worry about safety, and once you are safe, you start filling the belonging and love needs. Beyond this is esteem, and beyond esteem, if you get that far, is self-actualization. FTP, name this model of human behavior, named for an american psychologist.  
A: MASLOW's Hierarchy of Motives (or Maslow's Pyramid, or Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs)

14

He spent just nine weeks in high school and graduated from Princeton at the age of ten, but then decided to slow down, spending a full four years at medical school before entering his residency. FTP, name this sixteen-year-old TV doctor who was played by Neil Patrick Harris.  
A: Douglas "Doogie" HOWSER, m.d.

15

Their main cities were Amiternum, Nursia, and Reate, and they disappeared from history in 290 B.C., when they were conquered by Manius Dentatus. Before this, they produced three kings of Rome, including Ancus Marcius, Numa, and Titus Tatius. FTP, name this Oscan-speaking tribe whose women became the involuntary wives of the first Romans.

A: The SABINES

16

Completed in 1946, it had more than 500,000 hand-soldered connections, weighed thirty tons, required about 150 kilowatts of power, completely filled its thirty- by-fifty foot room at the University of Pennsylvania, and depended on punched cards to store data. FTP, name this bulky invention of John Eckert and John Mauchly, the world's first electronic digital computer.

A: ENIAC (Electronic Numerical Integrator and Computer)

17

Born in Russia of Danish-Jewish parentage, he accomplished little until he was in his thirties, when he published a proof of the one-to-one correspondence between the sets of integers and algebraic numbers. In his next work, he proposed the theory of infinite ordinals and infinite sets, but his career was shortly afterwards cut short by his insanity. FTP, name this theoretician of transfinite numbers and founder of modern set theory.

A: Georg CANTOR

18

Passed by a Republican Congress over the president's veto, its provisions included a ban on closed shops, gave Congress the power to end strikes, and required that labor unions submit financial reports and refrain from certain political activities. FTP, name this 1947 act whose chief sponsor was a senator from Ohio.

A: The TAFT-HARTLEY Act or the NATIONAL MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT

19

In Euripides' play "Helen," it was the name of the King of Egypt. In Vonnegut's "Player Piano," it is the surname of the protagonist. In Greek mythology, it was the name of a shape-changing sea god, and in Shakespeare, it is the name of one of the Two Gentlemen of Verona.

FTP, name this name. A: PROTEUS

20

Formerly the bed of a prehistoric ocean, it is bounded by the Colorado River to the south, the Chaco desert to the north, the Atlantic to the east, and the Andes to the west. FTP, name this extensive plain of South America, the legendary roaming-grounds of cattle and Argentine gauchos.

A: The PAMPAS

21

As a young man, he was issued U.S. patent number 6469 for an invention he called "a Device for Buoying Vessels over Shoals." While this hardly revolutionized river transport, it is still notable as the only patent ever issued to a future U.S. president. FTP, name this man from Springfield, Illinois.

A: Abraham LINCOLN

22

"Mother and the Law" is about a man wrongly convicted of murder in nineteenth-century America. "The Medieval Story" is about the St. Bartholemew's Day massacre. "The Nazarene" is about the crucifixion of Christ, but the episode which everybody seems to remember is the lavishly-costumed "Fall of Babylon." FTP, these are the four parts of what movie epic, directed by D.W. Griffith?

A: INTOLERANCE

23

According to Hesiod, she was one of the daughters of Night, and in one variation of the legend, it is she, and not Leda, who gives birth to the twins Helen of Troy and Clytemnestra. FTP, name this usually-abstract figure of Greek mythology, the personification of divine vengeance.

A: NEMESIS

24

While she was wrong about the Soviets landing on the moon, and even more wrong about World War III breaking out in 1958, this would-be prognosticator's reputation survived intact, thanks mostly to a 1956 "Parade" magazine article that seemed to predict the Kennedy assassination. FTP, name this astrologer, who died in January 1997.

A: Jeanne DIXON

25

Used in Corelli's violin sonatas, Handel's sonatas for flute and violin, and most of J.S. Bach's cantatas, it consisted of a solo line that was written out in full with a continuo, or a set of chords around which the bass accompaniment was expected to improvise. FTP, name this early form of musical notation.

A: FIGURED BASS

26

First, the economy can reach equilibrium in a state of permanent depression. Second, all prosperity depends on capital investment. Third, private investment cannot be a dependable drive for the economy, so the state must fill this role with deficit spending in times of recession. FTP, such are the three main arguments of what 1936 work, the magnum opus of John Maynard Keynes?

A: GENERAL THEORY OF EMPLOYMENT, INTEREST, AND MONEY (prompt on early answer of "Keynes" or "Keynesianism")

27

After mercenary soldiers from the South African-based Executive Outcomes Corporation left in February, rebel leader Foday Sankoh rejected the UN's offer to send in peacekeepers, following a statement by President Ahmad Kabbah that he did not trust Sankoh. FTP, name this increasingly-troubled West African country, in which rebel forces are apparently preparing an assault on the capital, Freetown.

A: SIERRA LEONE

28

Designed by Friedrich St. Florian and loosely based on Bernini's Vatican Piazza, it will consist of a pool with two semicircles of 25 columns each, and will be built entirely below ground level. FTP, name this monument scheduled for completion by Veterans' Day of the year 2000, which will lie between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument.

A: The WORLD WAR TWO Memorial

Repeat 29

In the first act, the title character falls in love with a mechanical doll named Olympia. In act two, he kills Schlemil in a fight over a courtesan, who abandons him anyway. In act three, he loses his true love Antonia to the evil Dr. Miracle. FTP, name this opera adapted from the stories of its real-life main character and set to music by Jacques Offenbach.



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A: The TALES OF HOFFMAN

Bonuses by Chicago  
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All bonuses 30 points

1

By the time he was killed in a tavern brawl in 1593, Christopher Marlowe's entire dramatic work consisted of just six plays, at least four of which are today considered masterpieces. You will get five points for each Marlowe play you can name, counting his one two-part play as a single work. A: TAMBURLAINE the great; EDWARD the SECOND; DIDO, Queen of Carthage; HERO AND LEANDER; The Tragical History of DOCTOR FAUSTUS; The JEW OF MALTA

2

Quiz bowl is a stressful game, and like many other victims of stress, Chicago quiz bowl players must often resort to defense mechanisms. FTP each, given a quote overheard in the hallway between matches, identify the Freudian defense mechanism that the player is employing. Christian: "This game is for geeks. I'm glad I didn't get any tossups that last game, 'cause if I did, that would make me a geek too."

A: RATIONALIZATION

Mike: "0 and 2? What do you mean, 0 and 2? I was 11-0 that last game! Really, I was! What game were you watching?"

A: DENIAL

Rob: "Well, considering the moderator's lack of personal hygiene, it's no wonder I didn't ring in that last game. I mean, I could barely hold on to the buzzer, the stench was so overpowering."

A: PROJECTION

3

FTP each, answer these questions about the real-life events which inspired "The Fugitive" television series and movie.

a) The movie and TV series were based on what real-life doctor, whose pregnant wife Marilyn was found dead?

Answer: Dr. Sam Sheppard

b) What year was the murder and subsequent much-publicized trial of Sam Sheppard?

Answer: 1957

c) Modern DNA testing determined that material was present at the scene that did not belong to either Marilyn or Sam Sheppard. What prime suspect, who refuses to give a tissue sample, may be the real-life "one-armed man?" Answer: Richard Eberling



4

Given a large U.S. corporation, name the state in which its headquarters are located FTP each.

Eastman Kodak

A: NEW YORK

United Airlines

A: ILLINOIS

McDonalds

A: ILLINOIS

5

For the stated number of points, answer the following questions related to math.

First, for five: give the general term for an ordered arrangement of a specified number of objects selected from a set.

A: PERMUTATION

For ten: name the special type of permutation where no element of the set occurs in its original position.

A: DERANGEMENT

Finally, for fifteen: give the number of derangements of a set containing four objects.

A: NINE

6

In 1986, a famous TV anchorman was beaten up by a mysterious assailant who kept repeating a cryptic question, in which the anchorman was called by the wrong name. FTP each, name the anchorman and the question he was repeatedly asked

A: Dan RATHER; WHAT'S THE FREQUENCY, KENNETH (accept close equivalents) For an additional ten points, name the band that recorded a song called "What's the Frequency, Kenneth?"

A: R.E.M.

7

December 7, 1941 is remembered as Pearl Harbor day because of Japan's attack on Hawaii, but less well-remembered is the fact that Japan also launched surprise attacks against three other territories that same day. FTP each, name these other targets of Japan's Pearl Harbor-day offensive, all of which were at the time Western colonies.

A: HONG KONG; the PHILIPPINES; MALAYSIA

8

For the stated number of points, identify these former Boston Celtics.

5 pts: Considered one of the two greatest centers of all time, he has eleven championship rings-- more than any man except Red Auerbach.

A: Bill RUSSELL

10 pts: He was once called "the Black Hole," because when the ball was passed to him down low, he would either score or commit a turnover. His #32 has since been retired.

A: Kevin MCHALE

15 pts: This center won two championships with the Celtics and was recently elected to the Basketball Hall of Fame. He was the league's leading rebounder during 1970-71 and was elected as an All-Star three times after setting still-standing school records for scoring and rebounding at Mississippi State.

A: Bailey HOWELL

9

Fill in the blanks with integers to complete the titles of "Schoolhouse Rock" tunes.

For 5 points, "My Hero, [BLANK]"

A: ZERO

FTP, "[BLANK] is a Magic Number"

A: THREE

For 5 points, "Lucky [BLANK] Sampson"

A: SEVEN

FTP, "The Good [BLANK]"

A: ELEVEN

10

FTP each, identify these nineteenth-century art movements from their leading members.

Dante Gabriel Rossetti and Holman Hunt

A: PRE-RAPHAELITE Brotherhood

Theodore Rousseau and Jean-Francois Millet

A: BARBIZON

Edouard Villard and Pierre Bonnard

A: NABIS

11

For the stated number of points, given a pair of neighboring U.S. states, name the river which forms part of the border between them.

For five: Maryland and West Virginia

A: POTOMAC

For ten: Illinois and Indiana

A: WABASH

For fifteen: Michigan and Wisconsin  
A: MENOMINEE or MONTREAL (accept either)

12

The summer of 1966 was a big one of sociopathic killers. For fifteen points each, identify these crazed lunatics who made headlines just a few weeks apart.

On July 13, this ex-convict broke into a townhouse in Chicago, brutally murdering the eight student nurses who lived there.

A: Richard SPECK

On August 1, this architecture student climbed an observation tower at the University of Texas with a rifle, killing 15 and wounding 31 before he was brought down by a police sniper.

A: Charles WHITMAN

13

FTP each, identify these very long and boring poems, given their first lines. "Of man's first disobedience, and the fruit/ Of that forbidden tree whose mortal taste/ Brought death into the world..."

A: PARADISE LOST

"Lo I the man, whose Muse whilome did maske/ As time her taught, in lowly Shepheard's weeds/ And now enforst a far unfitter taske..."

A: The FAERIE QUEENE

"Tis the middle of the night by the castle clock/ And owls have awakened the crowing cock;/ Tu- whit! --- Tu whoo!"

A: CHRISTABEL

14

FTP each, name these leaders of the breakaway Russian territory of Chechnya. Leader of Chechnya from 1991 until his death in 1996, he was best known for being a lookalike of TV's Boris Badenov.

A: Dzhokar DUDAYEV

In January 1997, this rebel leader was elected president of Chechnya.

A: Aslan MASKHADOV

Maskhadov's main rival in the 1997 elections, he is best known for his daring 1995 raid against the Russian town of Budyonnovsk.

A: Shamil BASAYEV

15

For the stated number of points, answer the following really fun questions about moles.

First, for five: give the name for the number, abbreviated as N lowercase A, which equals the number of objects in one mole.

A: AVOGADRO's Number

Second, in SI units, a mole is defined as the number of atoms in a certain number of grams of a certain isotope of a certain element. For a final ten points each, fill in these three blanks.

A: TWELVE grams of CARBON-TWELVE

16

Identify these one-hit wonders of classical music: ten points if you can get them from a minor work or works, five if you need their one really famous work.

10 pts: "Somerset Rhapsody" and "Rig Veda"

5 pts: "The Planets"

A: Gustav HOLST

10 pts: "L'Amico Fritz"

5 pts: "Cavalleria Rusticana"

A: Pietro MASCAGNI

10 pts: "Antigonae" and "Der Mond"

5 pts: "Carmina Burana"

A: Carl ORFF

17

Identify these economic unions within the European Community.

FTP, name the 1952 organization formed by six continental European neighbors, which became the nucleus for later economic integration.

A: The European STEEL AND COAL Community

In 1958, the six members of the European Steel & Coal Community entered into two more unions, one with a fairly narrow program, the other much broader. For a final ten points each, name these.

A: European ECONOMIC COMMUNITY (or \_EEC\_); European ATOMIC ENERGY Community

18

For fifteen points each, name these popular revolts from French history. Led by a coalition of oppressed peasants and discontented nobles, this series of uprisings attempted to limit royal authority during the minority of Louis XIV.

A: The FRONDE

Caused by the economic devastation of the Hundred Years' War, this 1358 uprising was started by a group of unemployed mercenaries. Later, it became the generic term for any French peasant revolt.

A: The JACQUERIE

19

Identify the work of literature, 30-20-10.

30: Its proper title is "The Metamorphosis of Lucius," but early editors gave it a different name, so as not to have it confused with a similar-sounding work by Ovid.

20: A picaresque novel written in the style of Milesian street entertainers, it starts out as a slapstick comedy but ends with a serious account of the author's religious awakening.

10: The only novel from ancient Roman literature to survive complete and intact, it was written by Lucius Apuleius.

A: The GOLDEN ASS

20

The Paleozoic era lasted for about 350 million years and is subdivided into six periods of geologic time-- one named for a place in Russia, four for places in Britain, and one for a chemical material. For five points each, name them.

A: CAMBRIAN; ORDOVICIAN; SILURIAN; DEVONIAN; CARBONIFEROUS; PERMIAN

21

FTP each, given the state, name the county which, according to the 1990 census, was its most populous.

New York

A: KINGS

Minnesota

A: HENNEPIN

Idaho

A: ADA

22

A U.S. state has recently been sued by several foreign countries for violating the World Trade Organization's rules, after it outlawed state trade with any company doing business in a certain Southeast Asian country. FTP each:

Name the state.

A: MASSACHUSETTS

Second, name the country, a military dictatorship ruled by the SLORC junta. A: MYANMAR or BURMA

Finally, Massachusetts is now considering passing a similar law against another authoritarian country. Name it, the world's fourth-largest nation by population.

A: INDONESIA

23

For the stated number of points, identify these people whose deaths were captured on television.

For five: as an estimated two million viewers watched live, he was shot in the basement of the Dallas police headquarters on November 24, 1963.

A: Lee Harvey OSWALD

For ten: he was killed by Emile Griffith on February 20, 1962, in a boxing match broadcast live as ABC's "Fight of the Week."

A: Benny PARET

For 15: In 1971, this nutrition guru bragged to "Tonight" show guest-host Dick Cavett that "I'm so healthy that I expect to live on and on." A second later, he dropped dead of a heart attack.

A: J.I. RODALE

24

Identify the following Augustan-age British writers from works, 10-5.

10 pts: the poem "The Campaign" and the tragedy "Cato."

5 pts: with Steele, "The Tatler" and "The Spectator"

A: Joseph ADDISON

10 pts: "Windsor Forest" and "Epilogue to the Satires"

5 pts: "An Essay on Man"

A: Alexander POPE

10 pts: "Know Thyself" and (with Pope) "Memoirs of Marin Scriblerus"

5 pts: "The History of John Bull"

A: John ARBUTHNOT

25

Identify the US president on a 30-20-10 basis

30: His father's biggest contribution to the Civil War effort was the development of the system which allowed soldiers to send a portion of their salary directly home

20: His mother and first wife died in the same week

10: He was the youngest man ever to become US President

A: \_T\_heodore ROOSEVELT

26

For over a century Rome and Carthage struggled for control of the Mediterranean in the three Punic Wars. Name any year in each Punic War for 10 points or 5 points for naming any year within 10 of the start or end of the war. Make sure to clearly identify which year goes with which war. Answer: First: 264-241 BC (274-231 BC for 5 points)



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Second: 218-201 BC (228-191 BC for 5 points)

Third: 149-146 BC (159-136 BC for 5 points)