

SNEWT III

Tossups (mostly) by (or at least inspired by) Josh Allen with a couple from Trevor Schultz.

1. In 1566 he went to Venice to study the work of Titian and Tintoretto. There he developed a style which retained Baroque drawing styles while suppressing the spatial depth which the Baroque movement sought. In works including The Triumph of the Holy League and Disrobing of Christ, he frequently used contrasting cool colors, elongated distortions of the human frame, and flashing accents. FTP, identify this foreign-born Spanish painter of The Burial of Count Orgaz.

Answer: El Greco or Domenikos Theotokopolous

2. One is about 115 light-years from the earth; it is an eclipsing binary composed of two stars which lie about 6 million miles apart. The other is a language created in the 1950s by an international team which first met in Zurich; it uses block structure, dynamic arrays, and user defined data types. FTP, give the name shared by these things, one a star in the constellation Perseus, the other, the first second-generation programming language whose name is short for Algorithmic Language.

Answer: Algol or ALGOL

3. She ruined England's wine industry by introducing cheaper French vintages, and she slowed down a crusade by bringing along a huge clique of ladies-in-waiting who liked to pretend they were Amazons. In 1174 she was imprisoned for supporting her sons' rebellion against their father, and twenty years earlier she had been the queen of a different country. FTP identify this woman, the mother of Kings Richard and John of England, and the wife of King Henry II of England and Louis VII of France.

Answer: Eleanor of Aquitaine

4. Born in 1859, he founded the first Yiddish-language literature annual in Kiev, but is best known for his writings such as The Railroad Stories in which he describes Jewish life along a railroad route. Later in life he moved to New York City, where he died in 1916, but not before writing his most popular stories about a dairyman with five daughters. FTP identify this author of Tevye the Dairyman, born Solomon Rabinowitz, but who took his pen name from the greeting Peace be with you.

Answer: Sholem Aleichem

5. It is rich in lead and iron, and has been owned by Vikings, Scots, and the Earls of Salisbury and Derby. About 227 square miles in area, it has its own legislature, the Court of Tynwald which consists of the 11 member Legislative Council and the 24 member House of Keys. Purchased by the British Parliament in 1765, this island is not subject to acts of Parliament. FTP, name this island in the Irish Sea, with capital at Douglas.

Answer: Isle of Man

6. It had a 199 dollar price tag at introduction, and its makers have put 900 ads on MTV alone, including one entitled Apocalypse. It comes with a 56K modem for which there are no real online uses for it yet, and a Virtual Memory Unit. Its manufacturer received 300,000 pre-orders before its September 9th release when players began to play Blue Stinger, Power Stone, NFL2K and Sonic Adventure. FTP, name this recent addition to the video game market by Sega.

Answer: Sega Dreamcast

7. In his most recent letter to the press, he announced his support for either Steve Forbes or Gary Bauer because they, like him, consider abortion murder. He has displayed an interest in learning by teaching English and algebra at a private school and by adopting a Spanish version of the name Joseph Mengele as one of his aliases. He now faces seven counts of murder and remains a suspect in two other killings. FTP identify this man arrested in July and nicknamed the Railway Killer.

Answer: Raphael \_Resendez-Ramirez\_ or Angel Leoncio Reyes \_Recendis\_ or Angel \_Maturino-Resendiz\_

8. Pliny the Elder was the first person to call this substance by its current name. The world's largest deposit of it is found in the Thetford Mines, 50 miles south of Quebec. This is why its grades are measured by the Quebec Standard Test Method which divides its fibers into seven groups. Commercially, it is made from Chrysotile, and it is prized for its poor conductivity and high heat resistance but also condemned for causing several diseases including mesothelioma. FTP, identify this mineral.

Answer: \_asbestos\_

9. His son was Nabu, and he derived from Amorite, not Sumerian mythology. The final part of the \_Enuma Elish\_ explains and celebrates his fifty names. The son of Ea, this god of thunderstorms relieves the other gods by slaying the dragon of the sea, Tiamat. He then makes heaven and earth from the two halves of her body and men from the body of one of Tiamat's henchmen. FTP, name this supreme god of the Babylonian and Assyrian pantheon, the local Baal of Babylon.

Answer: \_Marduk\_

10. The original plan for this building was an awkward adaptation of a Palladian design which was built in 1782. In 1789, when the designer returned from France, he dynamited it and began its reconstruction. By doubling the floor area, and using octagonal interior designs, he accentuated this building's size, believing that it should express the connection between the independent farmer and democratic society. FTP name this Charlottesville, Virginia home of Thomas Jefferson.

Answer: \_Monticello\_

11. With Claude Louis Berthollet, he developed a system of chemical nomenclature, and in 1790, he served on a committee to institute a uniform system of measurements. One year before, he had published a textbook in which he included caloric as an inorganic element. This was dumb because heat is not an element, but to his credit, neither is phlogiston. FTP, name this Frenchman who researched the use of oxygen in respiration and combustion.

Answer: Antoine Laurent \_Lavoisier\_

12. The French troops, numbering 130,000, began their assault early the morning of September 7. The defending Russians had built earthworks along the highway, under the leadership of Marshal Kutuzov, but after Napoleon outmaneuvered Kutuzov, he broke through the Russian ranks with an artillery bombardment and cavalry charge, and then continued his advance to Moscow. FTP, identify this 1812 battle, named for the town 70 miles southwest of Moscow where it was fought.

Answer: Battle of \_Borodino\_

13. It was published in 1886 with illustrations by Reginald Birch. Its hero and title character is Cedric Errol, a poor seven year old whose mother is a widow, but whose father was a nobleman. Cedric goes to England to live with his grandfather where he dresses in black velvet with a lace collar, wears his hair in blonde curls, and spreads love and cheer. No wonder this book's title now describes any girly boy, as well as a snazzy suit worn by little children. FTP, identify this work by Frances Hodgson Burnett.

Answer: \_Little Lord Fauntleroy\_

14. When Milton left the act, they performed with their aunt and mother under the name The Six Musical Mascots, and when mom and her sis left, they became the Four Nightingales. Before Herbert left, the foursome starred together in five films, and the remaining three reunited in the 1959 telefilm The Great Jewel Robbery. FTP, identify this team of musical comedians, born Milton, Herbert, Leonard, Adolph, and Julius, but reborn as Gummo, Zeppo, Chico, Harpo, and Groucho.

Answer: Marx Brothers

15. The loneliness of his life and his misanthropic philosophy earned this native of Ephesus the nickname The Weeping Philosopher. Only one complete work of his survives, and he believed that fire is the primary form of reality. He also proposed that everything was in a constant state of flux, and this is why you can never step in the same river twice: the river is always moving. FTP, name this Greek philosopher born in 535 BCE who authored On Nature.

Answer: Heraclitus

16. This is the only site in the National Park System to be designated a historical shrine and a national monument. Named for a Secretary of War under Adams and Washington, its most famous commander was Major George Armistead who led this Sparrows Point landmark for two days in September 1814. FTP, identify this site which defended the city in the Battle of Baltimore, and whose flag Francis Scott Key saw flying in the dawn's early light.

Answer: Fort McHenry

17. It premiered in 1879 in New York City with the composer conducting. Subtitled The Slave of Duty, its songs include When a Felon's Not Engaged which is sung by Edward the Police Sergeant, and its minor characters include Ruth, a Piratical Maid-of-All-Works. In it, Frederic wishes to marry Mabel, who is the daughter of Major-General Stanley. FTP, identify this comedic light opera by Gilbert and Sullivan which includes the song I am the Very Model of a Modern Major General.

Answer: The Pirates of Penzance

18. Nicknamed The Razor, he shot himself in the head in 1945, but somehow survived, and was hanged three years later. The son of an army general, in 1937 he was named chief of staff and a year later he became vice minister of war. In 1941 he was made Prime Minister, more as a symbol for his pro-war faction than for his political abilities. He resigned in 1944, however, after the American victory at Saipan. FTP identify this Japanese leader.

Answer: Tojo Hideki

19. He authored two novels, three plays, a book of history, and a series of satirical political sketches which were collected as The Westminster Alice. His novels include When William Came, but his most popular works are his short stories including Sredni Vashtar, The Muse on the Hill, and Esme. His career was cut short when he was killed in World War I. FTP, name this author of who took for his pen name the name of a far-east alcoholic drink, but whose real name Hector Hugh Munro.

Answer: Saki

20. He wrote his first scientific paper at ten on the albino sparrow, and he was a well-known malacologist. He also served as director of the International Center for Epistemology and coordinator of the International Bureau of Education. He standardized Cyril Burts test of intelligence, but he is most famous for his model of cognitive development which he divided into the sensorimotor, preoperational, concrete operational, and formal operational stages. FTP identify this Swiss psychologist.

Answer: Jean Piaget

21. Its greatest opponents were Popes Gregory II and Adrian I and Empress Irene. Begun by Emperor Leo III, the Second Council of Nicaea rejected this practice in 787, but it continued into the 9th century until the Council of Orthodoxy condemned it. John of Damascus opposed it and argued that it implicitly denied the doctrine of the incarnation. FTP identify this practice of destroying idolatrous images which flourished in Asia Minor.

Answer: Iconoclasm

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#### 1. Identify these languages FTPA.

a) This extinct language, was used by the people who lived in the former Celtic nation in the southwest tip of present-day England. Part of the Brythonic Celtic languages, it is related to Breton and Welsh.

Answer: \_Cornish\_

b) This language, still spoken by some Sephardic Jews, especially in the Middle East and Turkey, has its origins in medieval times when Castilian speaking Jews began to include Hebrew in their speech.

Answer: \_Ladino\_

c. It has a rich body of literature dating from the first to fifth century AD, is spoken in northern Sri Lanka, and, with Telugu, Kannada, and Malayalam, is one of the four Dravidian languages recognized by the Indian Constitution.

Answer: \_Tamil\_

#### 2. FTSNOP, I'll name an African country, and you tell me its capital.

5) Madagascar

Answer: \_Antananarivo\_

5) Sierra Leone

Answer: \_Freetown\_

10) Zambia

Answer: \_Lusaka\_

10) The Gambia

Answer: \_Banjul\_

#### 3. 5-10-15. Identify the Scholastic philosophers.

5) He studied under Albertus Magnus, and because he was heavyset and untalkative, his fellow students nicknamed him the Dumb Ox. He \_Summa Theologica\_.

Answer: St. \_Thomas Aquinas\_

10) Thomas Aquinas wrote commentaries on his most famous work, a systematic collection of writings by early Church fathers called \_Four Books of Sentences\_.

Answer: Peter \_Lombard\_

15) This Archbishop of Canterbury was exiled twice for quarreling with Kings William II and Henry I over lay investiture. His famous ontological proof deduces God's existence from man's notion of a perfect being.

Answer: St. \_Anselm\_

#### 4. Answer these questions about nucleic acids FTPA.

a) What are the four bases found in DNA?

Answers: \_adenine\_, \_cytosine\_, \_guanine\_, \_thymine\_

b) RNA contains what base, instead of DNA's thymine?

Answer: \_uracil\_

c) The bases on two strands of DNA are held together by what kind of bonding?

Answer: \_hydrogen\_ bonding

5. FTPA, identify the authors of these works based on the story of Electra.

a) This American author of Mourning Becomes Electra won four Pulitzers as well as a Nobel Prize.

Answer: Eugene O'Neill

b) This younger contemporary of Sophocles and Aeschylus was taunted that his mother had sold vegetables. He wrote an Electra, as well as Medea, and The Trojan Women.

Answer: Euripides

c) His play Electre was written in 1937 and translated into English in 1955. Other works of this Frenchman include Tiger at the Gates and The Madwoman of Chaillot.

Answer: (Hippolyte) Jean Giraudoux

6. Name these ancient Middle East nations FTPA.

a) This nation was located in the uplands east of the Dead Sea, now Jordan. It was conquered by King Omir of Israel and disappeared after the invasion of Tiglath-pileser III in 733 BC.

Answer: Moab

b) This civilization, flourishing from the 12th to 4th century BC, had major cities at Tyre, Sidon, and Byblos, and also had colonies at Gibraltar, Sardinia, and Carthage.

Answer: Phoenecia

c) Located on the Aegean Sea in the valley of the Hermus and Cayster Rivers, this kingdom had its capital city at Sardis. Croesus, its final king, is thought to have introduced the use of metal coinage.

Answer: Lydia

7. Given a highly touted rookie in the NFL this season, tell me which college he played for, FFPA and a five point bonus for all correct.

a) Browns quarterback Tim Couch

Answer: Kentucky

b) Saints running back Ricky Williams

Answer: Texas

c) Rams wide receiver Torrey Holt

Answer: North Carolina State

d) Bengals quarterback Akili Smith

Answer: Oregon

e) Buccaneers kicker Martin Gramatica

Answer: Kansas State

8. Identify these Russian operas FTPA.

a) In this opera by Modeste Mussorgsky, the czar of Russia succumbs to his guilt over the murder of the tsarevich Dmitri while Grigori Otrepiev leads a revolt against him.

Answer: Boris Godunov

b) The title character of this opera kills King Dodon after he marries the Queen of Chemakha and kills an Astrologer. It is by Nikolai Rimsky Korsakoff.

Answer: Le Coq Dor or The Golden Cockerel

c) This 1836 opera drew many of its themes from Russian folk songs and is considered the first Russian opera of a national character. It was also the first opera by Mikhail Glinka.

Answer: \_A Life For the Tsar\_

9. I'll give you the formula for a polyatomic ion, and FTPA, you tell me the ions common name.

a)  $\text{CrO}_4$  with charge negative 2

Answer: \_chromate\_

b)  $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$  with charge negative 2

Answer: \_oxalate\_

c)  $\text{NO}_2$  with charge negative 1

Answer: \_nitrite\_

10. 30-20-10. Identify the year.

30) Boulder Dam is built on the Colorado River; the Sian incident marks the beginning of a united Chinese front against the invading Japanese.

20) Josef Stalin begins his Great Purge which will kill 8 to 10 million of his political enemies; Edward VIII abdicates the English throne to marry Wallis Simpson

10) Jesse Owens wins four gold medals at the Berlin Olympics; the Spanish Civil War breaks out.

Answer: \_1936\_

11. Last year, he published \_The Sounds of Poetry: A Brief Guide\_. FTPA

a) Name the author of this book, the current U.S. Poet Laureate.

Answer: Robert \_Pinsky\_

b) Two years before, Pinsky had published what collection of his work which included the poems \_History of my Heart\_ and \_The Night Game\_?

Answer: \_The Figured Wheel\_: New and Collected Poems, 1966-1996

c) Pinsky prefaces \_The Sounds of Poetry\_ with the quotation Nor is there singing school, but studying monuments of its own magnificence. This line is taken from what 1925 W.B. Yeats poem?

Answer: \_Sailing to Byzantium\_

12. Given a pair of jazz musicians, identify the instrument they all play FTPA.

a) Benny Goodman; Artie Shaw

Answer: \_clarinet\_

b) Herbie Hancock; Jelly Roll Morton

Answer: \_piano\_

c) Herb Alpert; Donald Byrd

Answer: \_trumpet\_

13. In 1830, the journal \_The Quarterly Review\_ suggested that a British political party rename itself since the party stood for the preservation of existing institutions.

a) FFPA, name the party which did adopt a new name, and the new name it adopted?

Answer: the \_Tory\_ Party became the \_Conservative\_ Party

b) FTP, who issued the Tamworth Manifesto that set out to reform conservatism? He became Prime Minister and formed the first Conservative ministry in 1841.

Answer: Sir Robert \_Peel\_



c) In 1886, the Conservative Party changed its name yet again, this time to win over a small conservative-leaning faction of laborers. FTP, give the party's new name which is its full formal name today.

Answer: \_Conservative and Unionist\_ Party

14. Identify the titular women of these art pieces FTPA.

a) Andrew Wyeth painted her and her world in 1948. She lies outstretched which she sees while on the ground, looking at field of grain and two small houses.

Answer: \_Christina\_ (from \_Christina's World\_)

b) She wears a green outfit with huge sleeves and a white head-cloth and holds her husband's left hand with her right. You need only give the last name of this bride who appears in a 1434 canvas.

Answer: the wife of Giovanni \_Arnolfini\_ (accept equivalents, from \_Giovanni Arnolfini and his Wife\_ by Jan van Eyck)

c) She has a black eye and wears her hair in pigtails. She sits pleased outside the principal's office in a 1953 Norman Rockwell \_Saturday Evening Post\_ cover which shares her name.

Answer: \_The Tom Boy\_

15. Identify these metallurgical processes FTPA.

a) This process of fine particles joining together to form coarse lumps occurs when roasting temperatures become very high. Sometimes the particles are partially melted, but usually not, and the lumps formed are more easily handled and used in later processes.

Answer: \_sintering\_

b) This method of dissolving a metal out of an ore with a chemical solvent is also known as hydrometallurgy. An example is gold separated from its ore with sodium cyanide.

Answer: \_leaching\_

c) This method is sometimes used to recover gold and silver from their ores, and it uses mercury to attract the metal to form an alloy. The alloy is then heated, letting the mercury boil off to leave the original metal.

Answer: \_amalgamation\_

16. FTSNOP, identify these Muses from the art over which they presided.

5) epic poetry and eloquence

Answer: \_Calliope\_

5) history, not bad TV commercials

Answer: \_Clio\_

10) choral song and dance

Answer: \_Terpsichore\_

10) astronomy

Answer: \_Urania\_

17. 30-20-10. Name the author from works.

30) the biographical works \_Lions and Shadows\_ and \_Kathleen and Frank\_

20) the plays \_The Ascent of F6\_ and \_The Dog Beneath the Skin\_

10) the novel \_Prater Violet\_ and the collection \_Berlin Stories\_



Answer: Christopher \_Isherwood\_

18. FTPA, identify these African lakes.

a) It borders Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania. It is the worlds second largest freshwater lake, and its chief affluent is the Kagera River.

Answer: Lake \_Victoria\_

b) It separates Tanzania from Zaire and also touches Burundi and Zambia, and its only outlet is the Lukuga River.

Answer: Lake \_Tanganyika\_

c) A significant feeder for the Blue Nile it is located entirely in Ethiopia and is the countrys largest lake.

Answer: Lake \_Tana\_

19. Its nice to be wanted. Just not by the FBI. FTPA, identify these men on the FBI's Most Wanted List.

a) This Saudi exile has been living in Afghanistan as a guest of the Taliban. He is charged with organizing the bombings of the American embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

Answer: Osama bin \_Laden\_

b) He is likely hiding in the North Carolina mountains, and he is wanted for several Atlanta-area bomb attacks, including one on an abortion clinic and the 1996 Olympic Park bombing.

Answer: Eric Robert \_Rudolph\_

c) This jewel thief killed a police chief in Saxonburg, Pennsylvania. This was in 1981, and he broke the record for the longest time on the Most Wanted List this September.

Answer: Donald Eugene \_Webb\_

20. Identify the classes of subatomic particles FTPA.

a) These particles are defined as those with half-integer spins, such as  $3/2$ ,  $5/2$ , and so on.

Answer: \_fermions\_

b) Electrons, muons, taus, and neutrinos make up this class of subatomic particles which are all fermions.

Answer: \_leptons\_

c) These are any particles which interact by the strong force. They are composed of baryons and mesons.

Answer: \_hadrons\_