

SNEWT III

Tossups by Subash Maddipoti with some things by random freelance people.

1. In the battle of Queenstown Heights, this man was taken prisoner, but he was released the next year and led a brigade at the battles of Chippewa and Lundy's Lane. He became the first lieutenant general since George Washington, but by then he was too fat to mount his horse. Before then he had supervised the Cherokee removal from Georgia and even run as a Whig candidate for president, but he is most famous for taking Veracruz in the Mexican-American War. FTP identify this man nicknamed "Old Fuss and Feathers."

Answer: Winfield Scott

2. In Pope's "The Rape of the Lock," he is the chief of the sylphs whose humbler province is to tend the fair. In Milton's "Paradise Lost," he is a rebel angel. In his most famous literary appearance he takes the form of a harpy before Alonso and Antonio, and reproaches them for their poor treatment of Antonio's brother. FTP, identify this airy spirit who was enslaved by Sycorax before he was freed by Prospero in William Shakespeare's "The Tempest."

Answer: Ariel

3. Some specialized types of these are the polytene and lampbrush varieties which are found respectively in tissues of fly larvae and the oocytes of sharks. The word "puff" describes a localized uncoiling and swelling of them, and the folded fiber model of their structure explains why they only become visible during the prophase stage of mitosis and meiosis. FTP, identify this intact DNA molecule containing the genome, of which the X and Y are the sex variety in humans.

Answer: chromosome

4. Movement one begins with two sudden chords and contains three distinct themes. Movement three is a scherzo, a musical form the composer invented and had used in his previous symphony. The final movement is a set of variations on themes the composer had already used in other works, and the second movement is a funeral march for the title character. Composed in 1803 it was renamed for an ideal hero instead its original title subject. FTP, identify this Beethoven symphony.

Answer: Eroica Symphony or Beethoven's 3rd Symphony

5. He was ^{born} in Kapilavastu, the son of the rajah of the Sakya tribe, and he died 80 years later, taking his own life by eating rancid pork. He married young and had at least one son, but in 533 BC his charioteer took him out to the city's slums, after which he decided to renounce his worldly life for that of an ascetic wanderer. FTP, identify this man who concluded that people must free themselves from desire and live by the Four Noble Truths to attain Nirvana.

Answer: Buddha or Gautama Siddhartha

6. His father Matthias is a drunk, but his younger brother Seth is kind and generous. He falls in love with Mr. Poyser's younger niece, Hetty, but one day he sees his best friend, Captain Donnithorne, kissing her, and picks a fight with him. Hetty runs away, has the Captain's illegitimate child, is deported, and dies, but this title character marries the preacher Dinah Morris and has a daughter, Lisbeth, whom he names for his mother. FTP identify this title character of a George Eliot novel.

Answer: Adam Bede

7. Founded in 1594, it is divided into six islands by the Ota River. Home to slightly over a million citizens of the prefecture of the same name, its tourists can visit Sadako's Monument, Peace City, and the Tower of a Thousand Cranes. An industrial and commercial center in southwest Honshu, 130,000 people were killed and 90 percent of, for ten points, what city was leveled on August 6, 1945 by the atomic bomb?

Answer: Hiroshima

8. Its first store was opened in an abandoned gas station in 1978 with 12,000 dollars, and today it has over 120 franchises in 20 states, as well as Canada, The Netherlands, and Israel. Every year, it gives an eponymous foundation 7.5 percent of its pre-tax profits to use for charitable purposes, and in 1983 it feuded with Pillsbury over the right to sell its product in Boston. FTP, identify this company that today sells products with names such as Chubby Hubby, Chunky Monkey, and Cherry Garcia.

Answer: Ben and Jerry's

9. Its symptoms appear at six months of age and include swelling of the heart and abdomen. It occurs due to a point mutation at the sixth amino acid in the beta chain. This mutation alters the quaternary structure of the protein from the native tetrameric form to a long polymerized form, giving the cells containing it a weak shape. FTP, identify this genetic disease that gives carriers the ability to resist malaria.

Answer: sickle-cell anemia

10. They were orally accepted on July 20 and 21 by all the nations represented at the conference except the United States and the State of Vietnam who both feared the Communists might win a national election and control all Vietnam. Also present at their negotiations were Cambodia, Laos, France, the United Kingdom, the Soviet Union, and Communist China. FTP, name these four cease-fire agreements made in 1954 which ended war in the former French colony of Indochina.

Answer: Geneva Accords

11. This daughter of a noted American ^{philosopher} ~~photographer~~ was tutored by Thoreau and Emerson, and her first book, Flower Fables, was written to amuse Emerson's daughter. While serving as a nurse in the Civil War, she wrote letters to her family which she later published as Hospital Sketches. She also wrote several suspenseful thriller novels, but she is best known for her semi-autobiographical novels about her childhood. FTP, identify this author of Jo's Boys and Little Women.

Answer: Louisa May Alcott

12. Days after this man died, someone tried to steal his body to reanimate it. Charlie Chaplin called him the greatest actor alive, and Bertold Brecht wrote a Broadway musical for him and invited him to play Hamlet with his Berliner Ensemble. Born Ladislav Loewenstein, he became famous playing a serial killer in the film M. FTP, identify this actor who played Joel Cairo in The Maltese Falcon and Japanese sleuth Mr. Moto in eight feature films.

Answer: Peter Lorre

13. Its chairman and CEO, William C. Steere Jr., led a celebration in April for this company's 150th anniversary. In the next millennium it is planning on exploiting the field of bioinformatics, pioneered by Incyte Pharmaceuticals, its partner in drug discovery collaboration. Its bestsellers include Diflucan, Zoloft, and Procardia, though they all pale in comparison to its number one drug. FTP, identify this pharmaceutical company whose profits skyrocketed with its introduction of Viagra.

Answer: Pfizer Inc.

14. Some historians assert that it actually ended with the defeat of the pretender Lambert Simnel. Its early skirmishes happened at Blore Heath and Ludford Bridge, but fighting actually broke out at St. Albans. Its bloodiest battle was Towton, at which Richard Neville's forces won a complete victory. At Tewksbury, Margaret of Anjou was captured, and at Bosworth Field, Henry Tudor ended the fighting. FTP, identify this series of dynastic civil wars fought between the Lancasters and the Yorks.

Answer: War(s) of the Roses

15. He served as a military engineer in the West Indies, but returned home during the Revolution. He invented instruments for measuring magnetic and electric forces including the torsion balance, and he published several papers

regarding friction in machinery. He also formulated of the law which states that the force between two electric or magnetic charges varies inversely to the square of the distance between them. FTP, name this Frenchman who gave his name to the SI unit of electrical quantity.

Answer: Charles Augustin de _Coulomb_

16. It was authorized in 1934, and the statue inside is 19 feet tall and is the creation of Rudolph Evans. That statue is surrounded by a white marble dome which is supported by 26 columns and is the handiwork of John Russell Pope. FTP, name this Washington D.C. Memorial dedicated in 1943 to the U.S. president who was born exactly 200 years earlier and which stands on the southern bank of the Tidal Basin.

Answer: Thomas _Jefferson Memorial_

17. It is about 330 miles long and between 2 and 15 miles wide. From the west, it begins at the Cabo Deseado and angles southeast until it curves around the Peninsula Brunswick. Then it goes almost due north, then east and through a narrow passage near Manantiales and finally opening up again at the Atlantic Ocean. FTP, what is this waterway that is Chilean on the west end, Argentinean on the east and named for a Portuguese navigator?

Answer: _Strait(s) of Magellan_

18. He considered religion an imaginative creation of real value but without absolute significance. He wrote about the American scene in _Character and Opinion in the United States_ and _The Genteel Tradition at Bay_, but he is better known for personal or poetic works such as _Dialogues in Limbo_ and for his academic works which include _The Sense of Beauty_ and _The Life of Reason_. For ten points, identify this philosopher, critic, poet, and author of _The Last Puritan_.

Answer: George _Santayana_

19. Their name comes from a town in Laconia, where they were enslaved by the Dorians. They were forced every year to provide their masters with a fixed amount of grain; in addition, they served as soldiers and galley slaves in their masters' frequent wars. Their masters always feared revolt, going so far as to massacre 2000 of them after the Athenians took Pylos. FTP, name this perpetual underclass of the Spartan city state.

Answer: _Helot_s

20. In 1971, she collaborated on _Rap on Race_ with James Baldwin. She often wrote for _Redbook_ during the early 1970s and worked from 1926 to 1978 as a curator for the American Museum of Natural History. Her work _Culture and Commitment_ was an autobiography of her teacher Ruth Benedict, though it was much less controversial than her best-known work, which introduced her notion of cultural determinism. FTP, identify this American anthropologist and author of _Coming of Age in Samoa_.

Answer: Margaret _Mead_

21. Along with Franklin Pierce, this president hails from New Hampshire. He also became the second Catholic President. Before his political career, he turned heads by winning the Nobel Prize for Economics. The man who portrays him took time off from the grueling production schedule in order to get arrested at the School of the Americas. FTP, name Aaron Sorkin's president of the United States, who steals the show in _The West Wing_, portrayed by Martin Sheen.

Answer: Josiah _Bartlett_

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1. FTPA, identify these African American authors from works.

a) _White Man, Listen!_ ; _The God that Failed_

Answer: Richard _Wright_

b) _Cane_ ; _Invisible Darkness_

Answer: Jean _Toomer_

c) _Tell Me How Long the Train's Been Gone_ ; _Giovanni's Room_

Answer: James _Baldwin_

2. FTSNOP, answer the following questions about the French Revolution.

5) For 5 points, Napoleon toppled which government on the day of 18 Brumaire? It consisted of five men, each of whom held the Presidency for three months.

Answer: the _Directory_

15) For 15 points, the Girondists were also known by another name, the name of what man, their founder who was executed during the Reign of Terror?

Answer: Jacques-Pierre _Brissot_

10) For 10 points, what was perhaps the most radical faction of the National Convention? It gained their name because they took seats on the Convention's upper benches.

Answer: _Montagnards_ or the _Mountain_

3. Answer the following about alkanes FTPA.

a) What is the simplest alkane?

Answer: _methane_

b) When an alkane is burned, what two products are generated?

Answer: _carbon dioxide_ or _CO₂_ AND _water_ or _H₂O_

c) What is the simplest cycloalkane? It contains 3 carbons.

Answer: _cyclopropane_

4. FTSNOP, identify the governors of these states.

5) New York

Answer: George _Pataki_

10) Wisconsin

Answer: Tommy G. _Thompson_

5) Florida

Answer: _Jeb Bush_ (prompt on just _Bush_)

10) Illinois

Answer: George _Ryan_

5. Identify the linguists from descriptions FTPA.

a) This Swiss professor is noted for distinguishing between diachronic and synchronic views of language as a structured system. He is best known for his _Course in General Linguistics_.

Answer: Ferdinand de _Saussure_

b) This pupil of Edward Sapir is best known for his work with Mayan languages and his eponymous linguistic hypothesis formulated with Sapir.

Answer: Benjamin _Whorf_

c) This MIT professor is the founder of transformational-generative grammar. His book _Language and Responsibility_ tries to link his theories of linguistics with his liberal politics.

Answer: Noam _Chomsky_

6. Given an 80s pop hit, identify the group who first sang it for 5 points and the album upon which it appeared for another 5. Greatest hits albums are not acceptable answers.

a) _Every Breath You Take_

Answer: band = The _Police_; album = _Synchronicity_

b) _Hot for Teacher_

Answer: band = _Van Halen_; album = _1984_

c) _Rapture_

Answer: band = _Blondie_; album = _Autoamerican_

7. FTPA, identify these battles which may or may not have something in common.

a) At this 312 battle near Rome, Emperor Constantine defeated Maxentius after receiving a vision from Christ telling him to inscribe the first two letters of Christ's name on his men's shields.

Answer: _Milvian Bridge_

b) At this September 25, 1066 battle, Harold Godwinson defeated an invading Norse army led by Hardrada which had joined with Harold's brother, Tostig, Earl of Northumbria.

Answer: Stamford Bridge

c) William Wallace repelled the Earl of Surrey here in September 11, 1297. This battle is noted for being the first conflict in which commoners were able to defeat knights on horseback.

Answer: Stirling Bridge

8. Identify these parts of the body that are named for people FTSA.

a) These structures in the pancreas contain alpha and beta cells which produce glucagon and insulin respectively.

Answer: islets of Langerhans

b) These fibers that conduct the pacemaker stimulus along the inside walls of the ventricles are named for Czech physiologist who discovered them and investigated a method of identification by fingerprints.

Answer: Purkinje fibers

c) This envelope of endothelial lining surrounds the glomerulus in the nephron of the kidney. It was named for the English surgeon and histologist who discovered it.

Answer: Bowman's capsule

9. And how long has been since you've read the Chronicles of Narnia. Identify the following from the C.S. Lewis series, FTSA.

a) All or nothing, name the Sons of Adam and the Daughters of Eve from the Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe.

Answer: Peter, Edmund, Susan, Lucy

b) Initially an unpleasant and annoying urchin, this cousin of Edmund and Lucy joined them on the Dawn Treader, in his first journey to realm of Narnia.

Answer: Eustace Scrubb (either name is sufficient)

c) These are the small, sweet, and addictive candies that Edmund received from the White Witch.

Answer: Turkish Delights

10. Identify these angels FTSA.

a) The book of Enoch says he is the prince of the celestial hierarchy who casts Lucifer into Hell. He is the patron saint of the sick and of grocers.

Answer: St. Michael

b) He teaches Joseph the 70 languages spoken at Babel, tells Daniel the meaning of messianic visions, and reveals the sacred writings to Muhammad.

Answer: St. Gabriel

c) This archangel only appears in the Book of Tobias in which he saves the title character from a sea monster. He plays a bigger role in Milton's Paradise Lost.

Answer: St. Raphael

11. FTPA, identify the capitals of these island nations.

a) Sri Lanka

Answer: Colombo

b) Mauritius

Answer: Port Louis

c) Kiribati

Answer: Bairiki

12. The recent failure of yet another satellite intended for Mars has delayed American exploration of the planet. Answer these questions about the mission, FTPA.

a) The latest loss of a NASA spacecraft was caused by a navigation error in the intended aerobraking maneuver. Give the name of this now-deceased Martian weather satellite.

Answer: Mars Climate Orbiter

b) At 125 million dollars, the scientific loss of the Climate Orbiter far outweighs the financial loss. The previous loss of a Martian probe, however, was far more costly. Give the name of this 2 billion dollar failure, which presumably exploded when it reached orbit.

Answer: Mars Observer

c) In addition to observing Mars, Climate Orbiter was also to serve as a relay satellite for a spacecraft due to touch down on the surface in December. Give the self-descriptive name of this segment of the NASA missions to Mars.

Answer: Mars Polar Lander

13. Name the Japanese warlord FTP each.

10) From his family seat at Owari, he gradually gained control of Japan, defeating the last Ashikaga shogun in 1568. However, he was assassinated in 1582 before securing the entire country.

Answer Oda Nobunaga (either name is acceptable)

10) Completing Nobunaga's conquests, this man took control of all Japan, and broadened Japan's foreign trade until his death in 1592.

Answer: Toyotomi Hideyoshi (again, either name is fine).

10) The founder of the Tokugawa dynasty was named Shogun in 1607. FTP, give his first name.

Answer: Ieyasu

14. FTP each, name these ministers, who made France an absolutely exciting kingdom.

10) A protégé of Richelieu, this Italian cardinal took the helm of state during the youth of Louis XIV.

Answer: Cardinal Mazarin or Giulio Mazarini

10) His brilliant financial policies were brought to fruition by Mazarin. Completely overhauling French finances, he brought principles of self-reliance and mercantilism to their highest point, then proceeding to fix the French navy.

Answer: Jean-Baptiste Colbert

10) As the last French finance minister to have the support of the people, he tried and failed to stop the French revolution. Finally, he returned in failure to his home in Switzerland.

Answer: Jacques Necker

15. 5-10-15. Identify these people associated with the Theatre of the Absurd.

5) This Irish Nobel Prize winner is perhaps the best known writer for the Theatre of the Absurd. He wrote a novel called Watt and the plays Endgame and Krapp's Last Tape.

Answer: Samuel Beckett

10) This Italian playwright is usually considered a precursor to the absurdist movement. His plays include Henry IV and Six Characters in Search of an Author.

Answer: Luigi Pirandello

15) The term Theatre of the Absurd was actually not coined until 1961. Identify the theatre critic who coined it.

Answer: Martin Esslin

16. FTPA, identify these operas by Giuseppe Verdi

a) The title character is a deformed jester who pays an assassin to kill the Duke of Mantua. The assassin, however, kills the jester's daughter, Gilda, instead.

Answer: Rigoletto

b) The title character is Manrico, the long-lost brother of the Count di Luna who was adopted by the gypsy, Azucena. It features the Anvil chorus.

Answer: Il Trovatore

b) This 1859 opera was originally about King Gustavus III, but censors made Verdi shift the location to colonial Boston and change the King to Richard, the governor.

Answer: The Masked Ball or Un Ballo in Maschera

17. 30-20-10-5. Identify the author from works.

- 30) the plays Only Ten Minutes to Buffalo and The Wicked Cooks
 20) the novels Headbirths: Or the Germans are Dying Out and The Call of the Toad
 10) the novels Cat and Mouse and The Dog Years
 5) the novel The Tin Drum

Answer: Gunter Grass

18. Answer the following related to James Clerk Maxwell FTSNOP.

a) Four laws make up Maxwell's Laws, and they comprise the work of only three scientists. Name those scientists for 5 points each.

Answer: Michael Faraday, Carl Gauss, and Andre Ampere

b) For 5 points, Faraday lent his name to the SI unit for what?

answer: Capacitance

c) For 10 points, identify Maxwell's postulated hypothetical intelligent being, or functionally equivalent device that is capable of detecting and reacting to the motions of an individual molecule.

answer: Maxwell's Demon

19. Name these seminal works by Goth comic book creator Neil Gaiman for the stated number of points.

5) Gaiman helmed this comic books series about Oneiros, the lord of Dreams.

Answer: Sandman

10) Gaiman also helped create this Vertigo comic series about a young sorcerer just learning his stuff.

Answer: the Books of Magic.

15) Gaiman published this End of the World comedy book with fellow fantasist Terry Pratchett.

Answer: Good Omens

20. Identify the following sociologists FTP each.

a) This Frenchman established anomic, egotistic, and altruistic forms of the title act in his work Suicide. He also wrote The Elementary Forms of Religious Life and The Division of Labor in Society.

Answer: Emile Durkheim

b) This American functionalist introduced the works of many of Europe's sociologists such as Marshall, Weber, and Durkheim to America. He did this in his 1937 work The Structure of Social Action.

Answer: Talcott Parsons

c) This French theorist advocated a reorganization of societies into communal associations of producers. He called these groups phalanxes. His idea was introduced to America by Albert Brisbane.

Answer: Charles Fourier