

## Technophobia 5 Tossups by USC Tastes Great (Tim Woodward, Joe Wright, et al.)

1. According to Josephus, Alexander the Great was shown this book upon his arrival in Jerusalem and thus spared the city. Completed in about 536 BCE, its first half is a narrative of events surrounding the narrator's life while the second half contains visions and prophecies, though as early as chapter 2 he interprets Nebuchadnezzar's dream of an immense image. The 27th book of the Old Testament, it contains the accounts of Meshach, Shadrach, and Abednego. For 10 points, name this book famous for the handwriting on the wall.

answer: book of **Daniel**

2. This country is not Costa Rica, but in 1823 it was a member of the United Provinces of Central America. It's not Panama, but it had a president who went by the name Díaz. It's not El Salvador, but it is bordered by the Gulf of Fonseca. It's not Belize, but the English did once control it. It's not Guatemala, but it is over 40,000 square miles in size. It's not Nicaragua, but it does contain part of the Mosquito Coast. For 10 points, name this remaining Central American republic.

answer: Republic of **Honduras**

3. Warning: First and last names required. There may be one more woman entering the Senate in 2000 come Tuesday, despite her not even being on the ballot. Due to a little used law, the Governor retains the right to appoint his choice to office if the winner of the election is dead, and acting Governor Roger Wilson has pledged to appoint this woman if her husband, who is currently leading polls over incumbent John Ashcroft, should win in Missouri. For 10 points, name this woman who may join Mary Bono, Lois Capps, and Jo Ann Emerson as widows succeeding their husbands to the U.S. Congress.

answer: **Jean Carnahan**

4. At the age of "thirty year old and a half," on May 13, 1373, she received 16 mystical visions. Also referred to as "Showings" or "Revelations," these visions prompted her to become an anchoress, in essence proclaiming herself dead and even having burial rites performed. Enclosed in a church on the northeast coast of England, from where she presumably took her name, she examined her "ghostly" experiences and came to write "A Book of Showings." For 10 points, name this woman, a spiritual guide to Margery Kempe.

answer: **Julian** of Norwich

5. He was the first U.S. officer to enter Canada during the War of 1812, and when his commanding officer ordered him to surrender without a fight he broke his sword over his knee so as not to turn it over intact. Forty-nine years later he symbolically repeated this gesture, resigning as Secretary of State when Buchanan refused to reinforce Charleston. In between, he directed the Blackhawk and Seminole wars. For 10 points, identify this general who lost the Democratic nomination for president to James Polk in 1844 and lost the presidency to Zachary Taylor in 1848.

answer: Lewis **Cass**

6. Founded in 1898 in the predominantly Irish Chicago South Side, they ceased operations twice in their first two decades, but by 1922 were playing in Comiskey Park. Their first league championship came in 1925, their second in 1947, but they're still waiting for their third after moving to St. Louis in 1960, and then to Phoenix in 1988. Adopting a new name in 1994, in 1999 they beat the Dallas Cowboys 20-7 for their first playoff victory since Truman was president. For 10 points, name this NFC East team that plays home games in Tempe, Arizona.

answer: Arizona **Cardinals**

7. The Blue Velvets were formed by two brothers in 1959 at an El Cerritos, California junior high school, and

played local events as a cover band until 1964, when they were signed to Fantasy Records, who changed their name to the Golliwogs. Seven lackluster singles later, the brothers changed places as lead singer and found the formula for success. Under yet another name, they released six albums from 1968 to 1970, including "Cosmo's Factory," "Willy & The Poor Boys," "Pendulum," and "Bayou Country." For 10 points, name this group that disbanded in 1972 after hits such as "Travelin' Band," "Green River," "Lookin' Out My Back Door," and "Bad Moon Rising."

answer: **\_Creedence Clearwater Revival\_** (accept **\_CCR\_**)

8. Creation of it within the nuclear envelope involves the attachment of methyl groups to cytosine on the X chromosome. Exactly which X chromosome will be affected by its creation is random and independent in each embryonic cell. It is formed when the affected X chromosome becomes almost completely inactivated during embryonic development, and most of the genes on it are not expressed. For 10 points, identify this nuclear mass, the creation of which results in female mosaics, best exemplified by calico cats.

answer: **\_Barr\_ Body**

9. Ultimately it was of little practical value, as Venice ceded Cyprus to the Turks two years later anyway, but it did cement Spain's reputation as the world's leading naval power, as Don John of Austria commanded 200 Spanish ships against Sultan Selim II's fleet led by Ali Pasha. The subject of paintings by Titian and Tintoretto, for 10 points, name this 1571 battle of allied Christians against the Ottoman Turks.

answer: Battle of **\_Lepanto\_**

10. "I should detest the idea of setting myself as an author," was the repeated sentiment of this Lake District chronicler. Her journals of her tours of Scotland and Europe were for the "amusement of her family and friends", and her account "George and Sarah Greene, 1808" was written only as a local record. Although her "Grasmere Journal" would be admired by Virginia Wolfe, she never achieved fame during her lifetime, and was instead overshadowed by her more famous brother, who dedicated "Tintern Abbey" to her. For 10 points, name this woman, most famous for being the sister of William.

answer: **\_D\_orothy \_Wordsworth\_**

11. Thomas Schlamme [SHLAH-mee], now more well-known for his work on "SportsNight" and "The West Wing," directed this 1993 film co-starring Alan Arkin, Amanda Plummer and Oscar-winner Brenda Fricker. The plot centers around a San Francisco man who meets, romances, proposes to, and weds Harriet, played by Nancy Travis, all the while suspecting that she might be a killer. For 10 points, name this comedy in which Charlie Mackenzie and Charlie's father Stuart are both played by Mike Myers.

answer: **\_So I Married an Axe Murderer\_**

12. The term was coined by John Locke, but was not developed as an independent field of study until the turn-of-the-century work of American pragmatist Charles Sanders Peirce--who identified icons, indices, and symbols--and Swiss linguist Ferdinand de Saussure--who created a structuralist account of individual utterances. Important in anthropology, cultural studies, and psychoanalysis, for 10 points, name this term for the study of signs and signification.

answer: **\_semiotics\_ or \_semiology\_**

13. "Red Rock West," "Niagara," "Sorry, Wrong Number," "Key Largo," "L.A. Confidential," "Rebecca," and "The Maltese Falcon." All of these films, despite their respective genres, draw their roots in gangster and suspense films of the thirties and emphasize the brutal, unhealthy, seamy, shadowy, dark, and sadistic sides of the human experience. They include femmes fatales and use low-key lighting to express their dark moods. For 10 points, name this "non-genre" of "black" film, perhaps best characterized by 1949's "The Third Man."

answer: film noir

14. Born Anna Gorenko in 1889, she was a leader of Acmeism early in her career. This wife of Nikolai Gumilev condemned the vagueness of the Russian Symbolist style of the Stalinist period, causing her to go unpublished for 17 years after her book *Anno Domini* in 1922. Thrown out of the Writer's Union after World War II, her devotion to her country made her loved by the Russian people and she was reinstated. For 10 points, name this controversial author of "Requiem" and "Poem Without a Hero."

answer: Anna Akhmatova

15. They include Izanagi-no-mikoto, Izanami-no-mikoto, Susano, and Amaterasu. Though technically they can include anything, and are referred to as being 800 myriads in number, they are usually natural objects and creatures, abstract creative forces, or exceptional people, especially most of the emperors. For 10 points, name these beings, generally translated as the gods or deities of Shintoism.

answer: kami (prompt on "Shinto gods" or equivalents)

16. From 1933 to 1973, Mohammad Zahir Shah reigned, maintaining neutrality until after World War II, and converting to constitutional monarchy in 1964. Mohammad Daud Khan and the Banner or Parcham Party seized power in 1973 and ruled until April 1978, when they were overthrown by the left-wing People's Party, who set up a short-lived republic. So went the mid-century political history of, for 10 points, what central Asian nation, invaded a year later by the Soviet Union and now run by the Taliban?

answer: Republic of Afghanistan

17. "At the little town of Vevey, in Switzerland, there is a particularly comfortable hotel." And it "is seated upon a particularly blue lake," where the particularly English Winterbourne and the particularly urbane Mr. Giovanelli compete for the affections of a particularly naive titular American who insists on seeing the Colosseum by moonlight, contracting Roman fever, and dying. This is the plot of, for 10 points, what "study" written by Henry James?

answer: Daisy Miller: A Study

18. The only choreographer to appear on the cover of *Newsweek*, this man has been commissioned by the Boston Ballet and the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, among others. He founded his own dance company in 1982 with longtime partner Arnie Zane and continued the company even after Zane's death in 1988. His work has been described as the fusion of dance and theatre and this can be seen in pieces like "Still/Here" and "Last Supper at Uncle Tom's Cabin/The Promised Land." For 10 points, name this popular black choreographer, whose memoir, *Last Night on Earth*, was published in 1995.

answer: Bill T. Jones

19. The nuclei of certain elements behave as though they were magnets spinning about an axis. Ordinary hydrogen and carbon-13 nuclei strongly express this property. When placed in a very strong magnetic field and simultaneously irradiated with electromagnetic energy, the nuclei of hydrogen or carbon-13 atoms may absorb energy through this process, producing a characteristic spectrum for the compound. For 10 points, identify this mode of spectroscopy.

answer: NMR or Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

20. Known as an actor, he has also directed, enjoying a flourishing career in the 70s, but rumors of bizarre sexual habits contributed to his eventual downfall, reducing him to infomercials and classroom filmstrips. He started a comeback with a starring role in a big-budget musical and a marriage that was ultimately nothing more than a publicity stunt. For 10 points, name the Phil Hartman voiced character from "The Simpsons," who you might remember from such films as "Cry Yuma" and "They Came to Burgle Carnegie Hall."

answer: **\_Troy\_ \_McClure\_** (accept either name)

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1. Identify these 13th-century monarchs for the stated number of points.

A. For 5 points, this British king was the youngest son of Henry II and Eleanor of Aquitaine and is best remembered for signing the Magna Carta.

answer: King **\_John\_**

B. For 15 points, King John's illegitimate daughter Joan married this king of all Wales, who ruled from approximately 1195 to 1240 and from whom the Tudor monarchs are descended.

answer: **\_Llywelyn\_** (Lou ELL inn) **\_the Great\_** or **\_Llywelyn II\_**

C. King John is often called John Lackland, largely because this king of France from 1179 to 1223 won back most of England's continental possessions, in addition to joining Richard the Lion-Hearted in the Third Crusade.

answer: **\_Philip II\_** Augustus (or **\_Phillipe II\_** Capet)

2. 30-20-10-5 name the American artist from works.

A. (30) *Vermont Sugar House, Civil War Campground*

B. (20) *Model Reading, New York Movie*

C. (10) *Manhattan Bridge Loop, Drugstore*

D. (5) *Nighthawks*

answer: Edward **\_Hopper\_**

3. For 10 points each, identify the method of photosynthesis from its description.

A. In this method, the capture of light and the fixing of CO<sub>2</sub> both occur in mesophyll cells, where rubisco converts gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> into three carbon sugars. These products are then moved into the vascular bundles.

answer: **\_C3\_** photosynthesis

B. In this method, CO<sub>2</sub> is converted into malate and aspartate in the mesophyll cells, which are then transported to the bundle sheath cells, where rubisco converts these four-carbon acids into three carbon sugars.

answer: **\_C4\_** photosynthesis

C. Desert plants employ this method by closing their stomata during the day to conserve water and opening their stomata at night to take in and fix gaseous CO<sub>2</sub>, which is then used during the day to conduct photosynthesis.

answer: **\_CAM\_** or Crassulacean Acid Metabolism

4. Hola! ¿Cómo estás? Time for "Fun With Latin American Literature." 30-20-10, name the author:

A. (30) He was born in 1928 in Panama to a Mexican diplomat. He moved to Washington, DC, Buenos Aires, and Santiago before entering the National University in Mexico to study law.

B. (20) Following in his father's footsteps, he became a diplomat himself, the Mexican ambassador to France. That same year, 1975, he wrote *Terra Nostra*.

C. (10) He went on to win the Cervantes Award in 1987 for his novels, the most famous of which is *The Death of Artemio Cruz*.

answer: Carlos **\_Fuentes\_**

5. Expand these acronyms to provide the full name of a 20th-century U.S. civil rights organization for a group other than African-Americans for 10 points each.

A. AIM

answer: **\_American Indian Movement\_**

B. JAACL

answer: **\_Japanese American Citizens' League\_**

C. LULAC

answer: **\_League of United Latin American Citizens\_**

6. Identify these Arctic seas for 10 points each:

A. This sea sits immediately north of Alaska and the Yukon Territory.

answer: **\_Beaufort\_** Sea

B. This sea lies directly north of Scandinavia and Lapland.

answer: **\_Barents\_** Sea

C. Just east of the Barents Sea and separated from it by Novaya Zemlya is this sea into which the Yenisey and Ob rivers flow.

answer: **\_Kara\_** Sea

7. Most of the time, the World Series ends with an out. These three didn't. Given the year and the teams involved, name the man who got the World Series-ending hit for 10 points each.

A. 1960, Pirates vs. Yankees

answer: Bill **\_Mazeroski\_**

B. 1993, Blue Jays vs. Phillies

answer: Joe **\_Carter\_**

C. 1991, Twins vs. Braves

answer: Gene **\_Larkin\_**

8. Fought from 1865-1870, it was the bloodiest conflict in South American history. Answer these questions about it for the stated number of points.

A. For 10 points, name it.

answer: War of the **\_Triple Alliance\_**

B. For 5 points each, in order, name the country whose civil war unleashed the conflict and the country against which the Triple Alliance fought.

answer: **\_Uruguay\_** and **\_Paraguay\_** (do not accept them in the reverse order)

C. For 10 points, identify the Paraguayan dictator whose intervention in Uruguay led to disastrous defeat for his nation.

answer: Francisco Solano **\_López\_**

9. Name that second banana. Given the full name of a sitcom sidekick, name the actor who played him for 15 points. If you need the name of the show and the character's more well-known nickname, you'll get 5.

A. (15) Charles Arcola  
(5) "Happy Days," Chachi

answer: Scott **\_Baio\_**

B. (15) Irwin Handleman  
(5) "Family Ties," Skippy (and, since we don't actually expect anyone to remember this guy, here's a hint: He's got the same name as a former Cleveland Cavaliers guard)

answer: Marc **\_Price\_** (although, for the record, it should be noted that the basketball player spells it "Mark")

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

A. (30) "A Tree of Memory" and "A Christmas Memory"

B. (20) "The Grass Harp" and "Other Voices, Other Rooms"

C. (10) "Breakfast at Tiffany's" and "In Cold Blood"

answer: Truman **\_Capote\_**

11. Given the presidential movie or television character, name the actor who portrayed him, for 10 points. You'll get 5 if you need the movie or television show.

A. (10) Josiah "Jed" Bartlet  
(5) "The West Wing"

answer: **\_M\_artin\_** **\_Sheen\_**

A. (10) Bill Mitchell  
(5) "Dave"

answer: Kevin **\_Kline\_**

A. (10) Andrew Shepard  
(5) "The American President"

answer: Michael **\_Douglas\_**

12. Answer these questions related to early quantum theory for 10 points each.

A. This refers to the intensity of spectral radiation emitted by a "perfectly" radiating object.



answer: **\_blackbody\_** radiation

B. This German physicist won the 1911 Nobel Prize for his 1893 statement that the wavelength at which blackbody radiation reaches a maximum is inversely proportion to the body's absolute temperature.

answer: Wilhelm (Carl Werner Otto Fritz Franz) **\_Wien\_**

C. This other German Nobel Prize winner suggested an empirical formula for a blackbody's radiation density as a function of frequency, which matched experimental data at both high and low frequencies. He later derived his formula using quantum theory.

answer: Max (Karl Ernst Ludwig) **\_Planck\_**

13. Answer these questions about enigmatic American Revolution figure Ethan Allen for the stated number of points.

A. (5) Allen and his Green Mountain Boys captured this fort on May 10, 1775, securing Lake Champlain.

answer: Fort **\_Ticonderoga\_**

B. (10) Allen was captured by the British and imprisoned for two and a half years starting in September 1775 because of a foolhardy invasion attempt of this city.

answer: **\_Montreal\_**

C. (15) with Allen's brother Ira in charge, the Green Mountain Boys fended off a raid on the arsenal in this Vermont town by John Burgoyne's troops, a major cause of Burgoyne's defeat at Saratoga.

answer: **\_Bennington\_**

14. 30-20-10, name the movie from quotes.

A. (30) "Look, you obviously don't know anything about intelligence work, lady. It's an X-K-Red-27 technique."

B. (20) "I offer a complete and utter retraction. The imputation was totally without basis in fact, and was in no way a fair comment, and was motivated purely by malice, and I deeply regret any distress that my comments may have caused you, or your family, and I hereby undertake not to repeat any such slander at any time in the future."

C. (10) "You pompous, stuck-up, snot-nosed, English, giant, twerp, scumbag, fuckface, dickhead, asshole."

D. (5) "Wanda, do you have any idea what it's like being English? Being so correct all the time, being so stifled by this dread of doing the wrong thing, of saying to someone 'Are you married?' and hearing 'My wife left me this morning,' or saying, 'Do you have children?' and being told they all burned to death on Wednesday."

answer: A **\_Fish Called Wanda\_**

15. You might have thought one bonus on saltwater bodies was enough, but you'd have been wrong. The other bonus was on Arctic seas; now answer these questions on the world's 2nd, 3rd, and 4th largest saltwater lakes, after the Caspian Sea, for 10 points each.

A. At about 6500 square miles, this is third-largest saltwater lake. It is fed by the Ili river and is entirely surrounded by Kazakhstan.

answer: Lake **\_Balkhash\_**



B. Kazakstan also contains part of this second-largest salt lake. Shared with Uzbekistan, this body of water has lost over half its volume since 1960 due to the diversion of the Amu Darya and Syr Darya rivers for irrigation.

answer: Aral sea

C. This fourth-largest body of salt water can be found in southern Australia. It was named for its English discoverer, who sighted it in 1840, 7 years before Charlotte Bronte wrote about a heroine with the same name.

answer: North Eyre Lake

16. Ahhhhh, caffeine. What would we do without it? Interestingly, scientists have been unable to synthesize it, instead relying on the same five sources that exist in nature. For 5 points each and a bonus 5 for all correct, name the five natural sources of caffeine.

answer: coffee, tea, yerba maté, cola plant, cacao (do not accept "chocolate")

17. Jesus and three apostles ascend a tall mountain. There Jesus suddenly takes on gleaming white garments and seems to be talking to Elijah and Moses. Then a cloud overshadows them and a voice declares Jesus to be God's son, the beloved. As suddenly as the event begins, it ends.

A. For 5 points, by what 15-letter word is this event usually known?

answer: transfiguration

B. For 5 points each, name any two of the three apostles present at the transfiguration.

answer: Simon Peter (accept either or both names, but count as one person), James and John

C. For 5 points each, name the 3 books of the Bible that contain an account of the transfiguration.

answer: Matthew, Mark, Luke

18. Golf is usually thought of as an individual sport. So, just to confuse you, name these team golf events from their descriptions for 10 points each.

A. This event is played by amateur men. Started in 1920, suspended from 1939-1946, and resumed in 1947, this biannual tournament pits the U.S. against the U.K. and Ireland.

answer: Walker cup

B. This competition started in 1927. From 1927 to 1979 the tournament pitted the U.S. against Great Britain, but after the U.S. won 10 in a row their competition expanded to include Europe as well.

answer: Ryder cup

C. The women's equivalent of the Ryder Cup, this tournament, named for the founder of PING golf equipment, was started in 1990. The U.S. has won 4 of the 5 meetings so far.

answer: Solheim Cup

19. 30-20-10-5 Name the author from works.

A. (30) *The Wood Demon, In the Twilight*

B. (20) *The Bear, The Jubilee*

C. (10) *Uncle Vanya, The Seagull*

D. (5) *The Cherry Orchard, The Three Sisters*

answer: Anton **\_Chekov\_**

20. Answer these questions about 2000 presidential running mates, for the stated number of points each:

A. (5) George W. Bush's running mate, Dick Cheney, spent six terms in the U.S. Congress as a representative from what state?

answer: **\_Wyoming\_**

B. (10) this Native American woman, Ralph Nader's running mate in 2000, graduated from Harvard in 1982 and currently lives on the White Earth Reservation in Minnesota.

answer: Winona **\_LaDuke\_**

C. (15) Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan was perhaps trying to offset his image as a right-wing isolationist when he chose as his running mate this African-American woman.

answer: Ezola **\_Foster\_**