1. In 1979, the stage for this event collapsed, injuring 20 participants. A reward for winning this competition was redesigned in 2014 to resemble the Manhattan skyline, and a year later this event was sold to the WME and IMG talent agencies. This event has been won seven times by Venezuela. The most recent winner of this event is Pia Wurtzbach, though it was briefly said to be Ariadna Gutierrez due to an error by Steve Harvey. For 10 points, name this beauty pageant whose winners are, despite its name, always from Earth.

ANSWER: Miss Universe

2. This performer has a chest tattoo reading "Damn, I'm good" and played a small role as a goth kid's girlfriend in the awful 2006 film The Benchwarmers. On one song, this singer confesses "it might be criminal, but still I just can't quit." This daughter of comedic actor Rob Schneider included "Under the Influence" on the 2015 album Love Stuff, which features a song about a boy she turned "into a man," as well as the title figure that is compared to "gho-o-osts." For 10 points, name this pop singer of "Exes and Ohs."

ANSWER: Elle King [accept Tanner Elle Schneider before 'Rob Schneider']

3. This character's sister claims she will miss him on the condition that she can take his bedroom. That room is where this character introduces the evil Dr. Porkchop five minutes before he leaves for a summer camp. Possessions of this older brother of Molly include one that he imagines as a dog with a built-in forcefield, as well as Mr. Spell. A gift given to this character on his sixth birthday was later given to Bonnie before he leaves for college. For 10 points, name this owner of Woody and Buzz Lightyear in *Toy Story*.

ANSWER: **Andy** Davis [or **Andrew** Davis]

- 4. This NBA team moved to its current city in 1985, and were on the losing end of the highly suspiciously-officiated 2002 Western Conference Finals. This team allegedly explored using just four players on defense after being acquired by owner Vivek Ranadive [rah-nah-DEE-vay]. This team, whose arena is named for a local mattress company, added center Willie Cauley-Stein in the 2015 draft and signed Rajon Rondo a month later. For 10 points, name this NBA team based in northern California and led by DeMarcus Cousins. ANSWER: Sacramento Kings
- 5. A collection of essays by this author titled The View from Serendip includes several lectures and stories about his love of diving. While diving, this author discovered sunken temple ruins in Sri Lanka, where he lived for over 50 years. A starship is mistaken for an asteroid in this author's Rendezvous with Rama. The most famous work by this author, which was written alongside a namesake film, depicts the scientist David Bowman and the computer HAL 9000. For 10 points, name this author of 2001: A Space Odyssey.

ANSWER: Arthur C. Clarke

- 6. A web-series based on this TV show has several segments titled "Stones & Bones" and focuses on the journals of a former monk. That character was killed in this series by a boat builder played by the lesser-known Skarsgard brother Gustaf. One character on this series, who claims to be the daughter of a goddess, is the protagonist's second wife Aslaug. This series largely takes place in Kattegat, a village home to the young warrior Bjorn, the son of Ragnar Lodbrok. For 10 points, name this somewhat historical series about Nordic warriors. ANSWER: Vikings
- 7. This uniform number was retired by the Boston Red Sox for player-manager Joe Cronin and by the Orioles in honor of manager Earl Weaver. This is the number of no-hitters thrown by Sandy Koufax, which is three less than Nolan Ryan threw, and it was worn by the "Pride of the Yankees", Lou Gehrig. Josh Hamilton is the most recent player to hit this many home runs in a game, which is the Major League record. Baseball scoring indicates second base with, for 10 points, what number of runs scored on a grand slam? ANSWER: 4
- 8. A 1999 role-playing game set in Tokion is named for an 'Elemental Gimmick' variety of these objects. Chipp Zanuff and Sol Bad-Guy are among the unusual characters in a fighting game series named for a "guilty" type of these objects. One of these things partially names an early Sega handheld. The words 'Acid' and 'Revengeance' are among the games partially named for these things in a Hideo Kojima series. Dom Santiago and Marcus Fenix [FEE-nix] appear in another series named for, for 10 points, what objects "of war"? ANSWER: gears
- 9. A single one of these items shaped like Michael Jackson doing the moonwalk was sold on eBay for \$35.18. A Pepsi-flavored version of this snack was mercifully only released in Japan, and schools in several states banned a supposedly dangerous and red-colored variety of them. That "Flamin' Hot" variation of these snacks was paired in a hit song by Y.N. Rich Kids with "Takis." An anthropomorphic cat named Chester is the mascot of, for 10 points, what Frito-Lay-made brand of crunchy cheese things?

ANSWER: Cheetos

10. One early member of this group pioneered the "syncopated booty shake." This group's former leader claimed another member's breath smelled like eggs and strategically stayed in this group by deliberately failing a Russian Literature course. In addition to Chloe Beale, this group's newer members include the Hailee Steinfeld-played Emily Junk and an overweight crocodile-wrestler from Tasmania. The Treblemakers are rivals of, for 10 points, what singing group from Barden University depicted in the *Pitch Perfect* series? ANSWER: The Barden Bellas

11. In October 2015, Brown University's newspaper apologized for its students who released pictures of this person allegedly playing beer pong there. This person's animal dander allergies led to the acquisition of two hypoallergenic Portuguese water dogs. This person's father claimed he would "just cry" at her graduation from Sidwell Learning School, which will occur in 2016. For 10 points, name this older of two girls living in the White House, who is not to be confused with her sister Sasha.

ANSWER: Malia Obama [prompt on partial answers]

- 12. This character was first imagined as a waitress named Rhonda and briefly dated a frat boy and secret cult leader named Tom Warner. This character becomes depressed and gets a job at Doublemeat Palace after being removed from heaven. This student of the Watcher Rupert Giles was sent there in a season finale after sacrificing herself to save her sister Dawn, as well as her best friends Willow and Xander. For 10 points, name this TV character played by Sarah Michelle Gellar, an adolescent "vampire slayer."

  ANSWER: Buffy Summers [accept either, or Buffy the Vampire Slayer]
- 13. According to the Led Zeppelin song "Hot Dog," the singer will never visit this state again. A girl from this state went to Cleveland after needing "a break" in a song by Bowling For Soup. "All the telephone lines are down" in this state according to a blues song popularized by its native son Stevie Ray Vaughan. Alison and Dimple are among several of George Strait's "exes" who live here. A folk song describes the "Yellow Rose" of, for 10 points, what state depicted in the songs "Amarillo Sky" and "Galveston"? ANSWER: Texas
- 14. A piece of music associated with this man proclaims "It's the franchise, I'm shinin' now." This athlete took a hiatus from his primary job in late 2015 to film the fitness show *American Grit* and has granted more wishes through the Make-A-Wish Foundation than any other celebrity. Though he is frequently seen performing the "Attitude Adjustment", he is also known for a meme in which he is loudly and unexpectedly announced, after which his theme music plays. And his name is, for 10 points, what 15-time world champion professional wrestler? ANSWER: John <u>Cena</u> [SEE-nuh]
- 15. One former professional league for this sport was consistently dominated by the San Diego Dynasty. Some objects used in this sport are placed in hoppers, some of which are made by Tillmann. Greg Hastings is a prominent player of this sport, which has "woods" and "scenario" varieties. Some versions of this sport make use of inflatable bunkers, and the devices used to play it are formally known as "markers." For 10 points, name this sport played with special guns that fire spheres of a namesake substance.

ANSWER: paintball

16. One character in this film has a plaque reading "know thyself" written in Greek over her door. Another character in this film meets his future love interest in a nightclub after following a woman with a rabbit tattoo. Those two characters are betrayed in this 1999 film by the Joe Pantoliano-played Cypher, who sabotages the crew of the Nebuchadnezzar after wondering why he chose not to take the "blue pill." For 10 points, name this first film to feature Agent Smith's battles with Trinity, Morpheus and Neo.

ANSWER: The Matrix

17. This hit song first appeared on the EP *God Loves You When You're Dancing* and was titled for a motel its performer visited as a child. The second verse of this song recounts the plot of the 1969 film *Midnight Cowboy*. This song was followed up with the single "Mess is Mine" and begins with the singer claiming he was scared of "dentists and the dark." The chorus of this song describes a woman "taken away to the dark side" after "running down" to the title thing. For 10 points, name this hit song by Vance Joy.

ANSWER: Riptide

- 18. One character in this series fathers a child with a robot bought at a pawn shop. An earthquake on this series kills everyone at the Grammy Awards except Ice-T, who later returns to his liquid form. Sarah Chalke voices a horse surgeon on this series, though it focuses more on both her son and father. The latter of those characters hails from Dimension C-137 and is often depicted with vomit around his mouth. For 10 points, name this Adult Swim series that parodies *Back to the Future*, which centers on a mad scientist and his grandson. ANSWER: **Rick and Morty**
- 19. One of this game's bosses, Ignus Fatuus, is found by using the Eye of Nehaleni in a swamp. One quest in this game requires lifting a curse from a tower on Fyke Isle, which lets the player romance Keira Metz. Blue Stripes Commando and Commander's horn are among the cards in this game's collectible card game Gwent. This 2015 game's two playable characters are the Cintran princess Ciri and her adoptive father, the monster hunter Geralt. For 10 points, name this latest game in a popular fantasy series subtitled *Wild Hunt*. ANSWER: The <u>Witcher III</u>: Wild Hunt
- 20. Early in this work, a boy leaves his home with a basket of cranberries. One illustration in this book depicts its title objects descending a flight of stairs while a bespectacled man counts them. Those objects are eventually traded to Derwin, the king of Didd. The owner of this book's title objects, who also appears in a book involving Oobleck, mysteriously sees them reappear every time they are removed from his head. For 10 points, name this book by Dr. Seuss about a peasant who has an absurd amount of a certain clothing item. ANSWER: The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins