TRIUMVIRATE

- 1. This character ends Mrsha's "insulting people with cards" phase by dunking her in the cooking water. This character makes a scene after disturbing an Amentus Fruit display in Market Street and cries after learning that no one wants to buy custom-made Kaalblades. This character gets chased by Lady Bethal after splattering her with a bucket of animal poop. This character is nearly run over by a Chandrarian chariot when her friend visits from (*) First Landing. This character steals Erin's white banner from the Siege of Liscor in order to lead the delivery to the Veltrases. This character leaves her affairs to Dellian after banishing Belavierr from the north. For ten points, name this fiery matriarch who used a Potion of Greater Youth to extend her life. ANSWER: Maviola El
- 2. This character is suffocated in a pile of powdered drugs by "the woman in the suit". This character is imprisoned in a perfectly smooth pit by Tōng Líng T ǎ for over a year. This character describes why he prefers the "fear of knowing" to a "questioning fear". This character is retrieved from the ocean by Alexandria after single-handedly fighting (*) Leviathan for an indeterminate length of time. This character is incapacitated by Newter's hallucinogenic blood, after which his eyes are gouged out. Taylor earned the ire of this character by sending a spider to eat his junk. For ten points, name this leader of the ABB who gets stronger the longer he fights. ANSWER: Lung (accept Kenta)
- 3. Description acceptable. One character in this event uses an "8" for the second "B" to spell out "BRB" with broken computer keys. Another character in this event loops a playlist that starts "Love me, love me, you know you wanna love me" while hijacking a jeep. During this event, a woman asks "So you want to keep me out of your world?" upon reuniting with Labyrinth, her friend from the asylum. One character tells a boy "if you fail in this, I'll (*) kill 999 people in your name" during this event. Dinah repeatedly recalculates the probability that she dies in the next 30 minutes during this event, in which she and Coil are chased by Crawler. For ten points, name this event in which capes like Theo and Noelle are targeted for recruitment by Jack Slash's team. ANSWER: the Slaughterhouse Nine visit (accept descriptive equivalents)
- 4. This character tells Zorian about the plot to capture the Kazinskis in Koth. Zorian is surprised to observe that this character is "probably the best teacher he had ever encountered". An Eldemarian foothold called Fort Oroklo is named after an enemy of this character. Kael Tverinov devises a coin that gets offered to this character during the aranea soulkill. A (*) soulseizer chrysanthemum is used to defeat this character, and Zorian disguises himself as this character to interrogate Jornak. Zorian discovers that one of the Keys of the Ikosian Emperor is this character's crown. This character leads the invasion of Cyoria, during which he casts Soul Meld on Zach and Zorian. For ten points, name this lich that inadvertently kicks Zorian into the time loop. ANSWER: Quatach-Ichl
- 5. One character in this event is confused by the phrase "Stake your doubt", which Taylor insists is not due to his lack of English ability. A brief fight during this event involves a man whom Taylor calls "Cat's Eyes" and a mysterious precog who is revealed to be Contessa in the chapter tags. A character in this event takes apart a pen to give herself a tracheotomy. This is the first event in which (*) Pretender uses the invulnerable dead body of Alexandria in combat. Perdition complicates this event by killing Accord and turning against the Yàngb ă n. The tide of this event turns when Phir Sē uses his "time bomb" on a certain target. For ten points, name this battle in which an Endbringer is killed in an Indian city.

ANSWER: Battle of **New Delhi** (accept fight against **Behemoth** and other descriptive answers)

- 6. A member of this species who cries when a Beastkin destroys his salad arrangement is head [Chef] of the Forgotten Wing Company. A City Runner of this species named Chaita of Keymos warned Drevish of an assassination attempt. A member of this species is the first to be attacked when Toren escapes from the dungeon. Will Kallinad regrets asking a member of this species to (*) hit him in case he is dreaming after he gets knocked unconscious. That member of this species singlehandedly holds off Xol the War Walker. Bird looks at a member of this species with "the purest and deepest interest she had ever seen" before asking her everything she knows about birds. For ten points, name this airborne species of Takhatres and Bevussa Slenderscale.

 ANSWER: Garuda
- 7. Zorian muses "he really, really should have made it clear that he was just a simulacrum" while being blown to pieces in front of this character. This character bleeds out on a platform after being hit by claws that grow out of Panaxeth's severed hand. This character asks "why didn't you tell me you had that kind of guy in your class?" after breaking the news that Zach has killed Oganj. This character breaks down after confronting (*) Zorian about a crate of mana under his bed and has a chess-loving friend nicknamed "Grunt". This character disappears after Zorian refuses to help her retrieve a missing watch in the sewers, and she calls Zorian "Roach" as a term of endearment. For ten points, name this combat mage whom Zorian asked out before Mother of Learning takes place.

ANSWER: Taiven

8. In a cancelled interlude, this character tormented a certain gang leader with Citrine until he slit his throat. In one chapter, this character is disappointed that a target is named Nero, not Nemo, after setting up an elaborate series of fish puns. That chapter, Teneral e.2, was posted without a chapter link to honor this character's power. Taylor admits that she'd be willing to cut off a finger to have this character's (*) features but is disappointed by her "trashy" fishnet outfit. This character becomes the leader of the Heartbroken after the death of her boyfriend Regent. For ten points, name this Undersider, a sister of Brian who can make people forget about her presence.

ANSWER: **Imp** (accept **Aisha** Laborn)

- 9. Description acceptable. During this event, a character shouts "Weak!" twice before repeatedly asking "Did I do a good job?". The turning point in this event was the spell [Diamondshard Spray], which was cast shortly after a character cut his opponent's thigh from the ground. A tubular artifact wrote the words "Behold the advent of lightning" in the sky during this event before two massive War Golems attempted to (*) breach a certain structure. Those golems allowed one character to crush Oom's mana stone during this event. This event began when a dome of bone enclosed its combatants just as the Goblin Lord was about to be slain. For ten points, name this event in which a certain Drake battled five undead creations of his nemesis.

 ANSWER: Zel Shivertail's fight against the Chosen (accept Zel Shivertail's fight against Az'kerash/the Necromancer, accept Zel Shivertail's death, prompt on "Battle of Invrisil")
- 10. Shortly after visiting this location for the first time, Zorian goes to a nearby dungeon where a monster kills him just by looking at him. This location was the source of an especially nasty winter wolf called the Silver One. This is the first location where Zorian manually presses his soul marker to escape from danger. Zorian learns of this location from documents he stole from the (*) safe in Vazen's General Store. This place is defended by a

massive skeletal dragon when Alanic decides to lay siege to it. This place was teleported to the final fight with Jornak and Oganj, and a portal here allowed the Ibasans to invade Eldemar. For ten points, name this location in Kynazov Dveri that was used by a certain mayor to house a massive Soul Well. ANSWER: **Iasku Mansion** (accept **Sudomir's mansion**)

- 11. A mysterious group made up of members of this species is called "the Howling Ones" due to their habit of screaming when anyone tries to talk to them. One member of this species wails "This makes no sense, sense, sense!" before musing "if they behaved as they did at the End, who dares even imagine what they did during the In Between?". A member of this species insists that humans love hugs and mentions that cats are yummy. (*) Zorian takes Tinami Aope to meet this species, who is delighted at the prospect. One member of this species gives Zorian a complicated memory package but is killed before Novelty is able to give him the key. For ten points, name this species that includes Spear of Resolve, a race of mind-reading spiders.

 ANSWER: the aranea
- 12. A leader in this location says "you're nothing more than the dream of the faerie". A character in this location muses "wouldn't you rather be murdered by a rabid wild beast... than to have a onetime ally stab you in the back?". One leader in this location is Lustrum, a cape who ran a feminist gang that included Taylor's mother Annette. According to Teacher, this location is "no bigger than your (*) fist". Panacea is perhaps the only character who voluntarily entered this location. One character was sent to this location after her boyfriend literally tried to fuck himself due to her musical suggestion. That character, Canary, was sentenced to this location despite Dragon's best efforts. For ten points, name this location where the most dangerous capes are imprisoned. ANSWER: the <u>Birdcage</u> (accept <u>Baumann Parahuman Containment Center</u>)
- 13. This character mocks Keldrass by exclaiming "By sword and bell I raise my blade.... On this grass I walk, I offer peace-bound friendship!". This character complains about being unable to stop a mage without killing her after smashing a curry pot onto her horns. This character asks "What does magic want?" before asking "How everything?". This character nearly drowns (*) Thomast in a lake while fighting the Knights of the Petal and impresses Hammersteel by leading a charge against some Eater Goats. This original subject of the [A Minute, Reborn] skill survives by eating seven [Deathbolts] cast on him by Reiss. For ten points, name this [Magestone Chieftain] of the Gold Stone Tribe that was absorbed into Numbtongue after his death.

 ANSWER: Pyrite (accept Pyrite-Numbtongue, prompt on "Numbtongue")
- 14. This cape says "teach me o master" in response to a text about how reusing a bit of psychological warfare "won't have the same bite to it". This cape gives the password "Comanche-Six-six-two" to gain access to a facility but fails to shake Weld's suspicions. This cape's passenger is used to attract the Simurgh during Gold Morning. After witnessing a kiss on the bus, this cape starts a fight with the girl involved by dragging her around a (*) bookstore by the ear. This cape is forced to say "I really miss you" over the phone to her friend while under Regent's control. Taylor discovers this cape's identity in the hospital after fighting Leviathan. For ten points, name this Brockton Bay Ward, a crossbow-wielding phantom and high school bully. ANSWER: Shadow Stalker (accept Sophia Hess, prompt on "Regent")
- 15. The death of a character of this type is so traumatic for Kirielle that Zorian debates wiping her memory of the incident. One character of this type saves Chassanah by tackling a chameleon drake in Koth. A character of this type is called "stupid" by the Yellow Cavern Guardians, and it is later destroyed by their frog monster nemesis. Estin buries a character

of this type named Chelik with earth magic during a test conducted by (*) Edwin and Zorian. One character of this type always agrees when Kirielle asks her a question and is named Kosjenka. Another character of this type named Mrva was built for the purpose of neutralizing Quatach-Ichl. For ten points, name these automatons that Zorian makes out of various materials. ANSWER: Zorian's golems

- 16. One member of this group says "One of us, two bodies" to confuse Myrddin before escaping in a police car. Myrddin had earlier saved that member of this group during a fight with two Case 53s named Gwerrus and Matryoshka. A member of this group takes the form of Eden to distract Zion during Gold Morning. One member of this group does a ballet routine to convince (*) Accord to forgive her for a meeting interruption. After Professor Haywire's technology leaves them in a quarantine zone, this group concludes "We're still in Madison. We're just... not in our Madison.". This group gained their powers by drinking six Cauldron vials during an attack by the Simurgh. For ten points, name this villain group from Earth Aleph originally led by Noelle. ANSWER: the Travelers
- 17. After learning of the time loop through this character's mind, Quatach-Ichl decides to detonate his own soul. This character suggests that the celestial bodies could be out of wack due to the limits of the time loop illusion. This character dies after blocking a yellow beam with his body, buying Zorian time to mind-read the mages at the summoning ritual. Quatach-Ichl is shook when this character casually (*) bats away an explosive red orb attack with his hand. Zorian decides that he had better practice his impersonation of this character after Taiven agrees to a combat training regimen. This character starts throwing marbles at Zorian after his tasks have been mastered. For ten points, name this harsh instructor and big fan of shaping exercises.

 ANSWER: Xvim Chao
- 18. Description acceptable. A group responds "It's not us doing the pissing now, is it?" during this event after a woman peeing in a bush yells at them. During this event, a leader says "Smell is hardly one of the things I fear" before opening a potion and nearly vomiting from the fumes. One character ignites some flour with napalm in this event to get past a guard. That character in this event yells "Ican'tstop!Goddamnitstoplaughingandhelpme!" after drinking a powerful stamina potion. An attack in this event occurs after (*) Urksh says "We offer everything". A secret maze in this event claimed the lives of soldiers led by Commander Perris. This event ended with the loss of two fingers and the destruction of the Stone Spears Tribe. For ten points, name this event in which Ryoka rescued a certain Gnoll and delivered a birthday card.

 ANSWER: Ryoka's delivery to the Necromancer / Az'kerash (accept Ryoka's rescue of Mrsha, anti-prompt on the battle between Zel and Ilvriss)
- 19. One character covers himself with wood splinters in this city shortly before getting in an explosive wagon collision. In this city, one character is unable to move after getting swarmed by children. Another character tries to find an inn in this city called the Starlight Requiem, and he calls some Painted Beast talismans here "so (*) sugoi". A mage in this city named Tefret says "I am a huge fan of yours" after getting pulverized by a certain [Juggernaut]. One character in this city activates Screamer Dust to bolster his Midnight Shields. This city is where Luan is tasked with delivering Venaz's bag of holding. The center of this city was guarded by Tulm the Mithril from countless Balerosian students. For ten points, name this city that hosted the Titan's Game. ANSWER: Daquin

- 20. This species is targeted by a plot involving giant centipedes in the sewers. One member of this species starts tripping after she inhales hallucinogenic dust from a package of alchemical ingredients. One member of this species invites a boy to a restaurant called The Floating Catfish for what is *definitely* not a dinner date. That member of this species gets exiled from her family for political reasons and is best friends with Kiana. A member of this species named (*) Rea hires a detective named Haslush to investigate disappearances of members of this species. Zorian helps one member of this species by fishing her bicycle out of the river in Cyoria. For ten points, name this species of Nochka, Raynie, and the child sacrifices of the summoning ritual. ANSWER: shifters
- 21. One member of this group says "It is the hair, isn't it?" after examining a wood sculpture of herself at a party. One character collapses after seeing the face of a member of this group in a stone hallway hidden behind a library. It is unclear whether a singer from this group named Mirrex is still alive. Saliss was unable to save Mihaela Godfrey from being permanently (*) crippled by a member of this group. One member of this group declares "A. Moment. A. Gift." to describe his newly-acquired skill [Recaptured Sublimity]. This group, which included Galuc the Builder, was mostly destroyed by the sleeping god on Rhir. For ten points, name this group of Antinium heroes that includes Wrymvr, Xrn, and Klbkch.

ANSWER: the $\underline{\textbf{Centenium}}$ (prompt on any form of $\underline{\textbf{Antinium}}$)

- 22. During an interrogation, Tattletale learns that a member of this group is in an unsatisfying relationship with his dead fiancé's cousin. Members of this group force a college TA named Peter Gosley to tell them about third-generation trigger events. A Weeping Angel-like cape in this group turns into an eldritch horror and heals herself when no one is looking at her. One of the reasons Tattletale was hired by Coil was to confirm his (*) doxxing information for members of this group. The founder of this group vowed to kill Marquis's daughter once she reached a certain age after Iron Rain's death. This group broke into factions like the Pure and Fenrir's Chosen after the death of Kaiser. For ten points, name this Brockton Bay gang of Nazis. ANSWER: Empire Eighty-Eight (anti-prompt on the Pure until mentioned)
- 23. Zorian uses an item from this location as a bargaining chip with a disguised Quatach-Ichl, who accepts it by stabbing it into his body. Ikosia lost access to this location after Emperor Awam-Temti's failed campaign against the League of Sawosi. Zorian takes the corpse of the grey hunter to this location before giving its egg sack to Silverlake. Zorian persuades Krantin to use this location to advance (*) Black Room technology. Oganj accepts the imperial crown and control of this location in exchange for betraying Jornak. A search for this location is the reason for Daimen's expedition to Koth. This location is guarded by "Princess", a gigantic hydra. For ten points, name this Key of the Ikosian Emperor that contains a pocket dimension.

 ANSWER: the Imperial Orb (accept the pocket dimension inside the Imperial Orb)
- **24.** One character sings a song while entering this location that goes "I saw him ever waving, but I never took his hand". The Sapki and the Keeper met in this location to discuss terms, and it is where Rémi Canada split off from Davi's group. This location is the home of the Hundredfriends Courier. One character's (*) throat is cut with a ring-blade in this location, which forces him to learn how to make [Lifesand Golems]. One character stabs a ruler of this location named Baosar in the chest after he spots a backpack on a charging *pakeil*. This location is visited by Trey Atwood and Gazi to heal the latter's wounded eye. For ten points, name this Shield Kingdom of the fleshchosen, which is dug into the carcass of an ancient beast.

ANSWER: <u>A'ctelios Salash</u> (accept the <u>Carven City</u>)

TB. Description acceptable. Although a member of this group was "ten, no, twenty steps behind" his opponent in combat, "he did know the dance". One member of this group downs a giant Shield Spider and kills its rider with an axe blow so powerful that it breaks his arm. Another member of this group trolls the others by pretending to writhe in pain after fastening a clasp around his neck. This group saves a Gnoll farmer named Wirclaw from a pack of (*) Eater Goats. One member of this group is treated by having warm water poured in his ear by a character who loses her [Florist] class after eating a human. The leader of this group, Grunter, perished during the last battle for Esthelm. For ten points, name these goblins sent to kill Erin Solstice, a group that included Numbtongue.

ANSWER: <u>Elite Redfang Warriors</u> (accept <u>Redfang Goblins</u>, accept the <u>goblins sent to kill Erin</u> Solstice, prompt on "Flooded Waters Tribe")