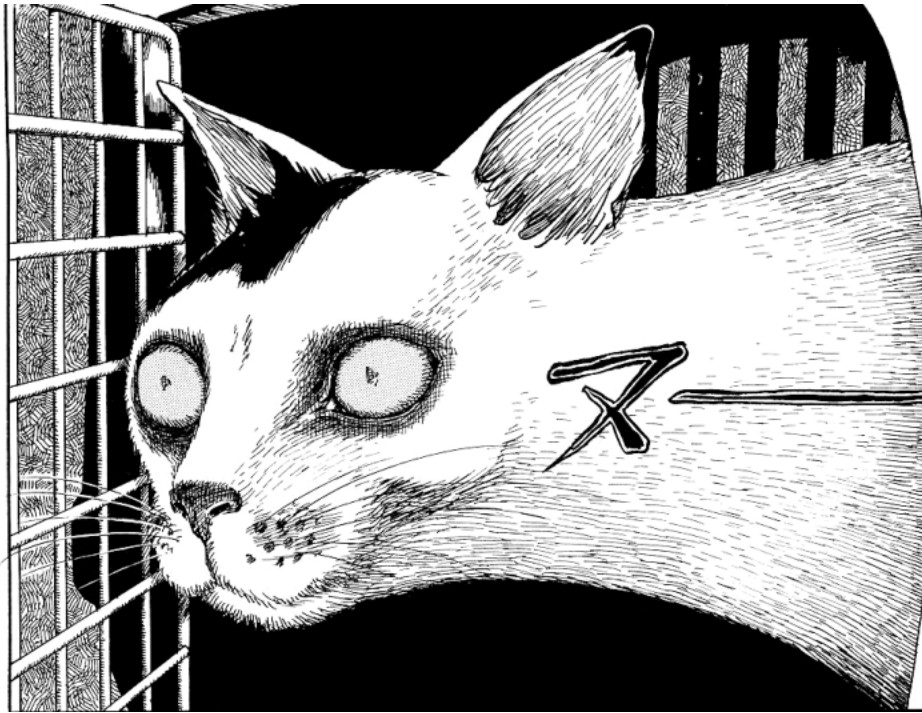


## Trash Bowl Alabama



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NOTE TO MODERATOR: ALL TOSSUPS AND BONUS ARE PAIRED AND, IF ANY TOSSUP GOES DEAD, ITS BONUS SHOULD ALSO BE SKIPPED.

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1. In this film, one character wakes up and can't help but laugh at the sight of a lawyer that does not look like a lawyer and a doctor that does not look like a doctor. One character in this film imitates a North Korean news anchor while another compares a "send" button to a nuclear missile and threatens to send a video of someone calling another person "Dad." All of the members of one family, in this film, are said to (\*) smell of old radishes or boiled rags. In one sequence during this film, those family members make a housekeeper appear to have tuberculosis by shoving peaches in her face. For 10 points, give the name of this 2020 Best Picture Winner about the impoverished Kim family's non-mutualistic relationship with the wealthy Park family by South Korean director, Bong Joon-ho.

ANSWER: Parasite [also accept Gisaengchung]

<Film> [BJ]

1. Previously known as Jellyvision Games, this developer was originally known for its series of comedic trivia games depicting a show "where high culture and pop culture collide." For 10 points each:

a. Name this developer which has seen a resurgence in popularity following the release of its eponymous *Party Packs* including accessible party games like Fibbage and Quiplash.

ANSWER: Jackbox Games, Inc.

b. In this *Jackbox Party Pack 5* game, Shadow Master MC and DJ Raych hype up the “Fire” rhymes submitted by players. This game about catastrophic, city-destroying rap-battles features giant robots who rap in text-to-speech.

ANSWER: “Mad Verse City”

c. Jackbox Games describes this original *Party Pack* game as the “racy-as-you-want-to-be fill-in-the-blank” word game. In this game very loosely based on hot potato, players work to create the weirdest “word cloud” paragraph they can with each new addition being voted upon by other players on whether to “keep or nix” it.

ANSWER: “Word Spud”

<Video Games – Indie/PC> [BJ]

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2. The theory presented in this work can be quickly upset by noting that no stable isotopes exist with an atomic mass of 5, although it is considered to hold true for hydrogen and helium. One of the credited authors of this work had already helped lay the groundwork for a theory that complements the one outlined in this work. One of the authors of this work helped discover the cosmic microwave background radiation, while another partially names another term for a Fermi transition; the former was displeased with the inclusion of a (\*) third credited author. That third credited author would later say of the first that “I think it is a fact that he has not been given proper credit.” For 10 points, despite not actually contributing, Hans was credited between Ralph and George on which 1948 paper, one of the foundational works of physical cosmology, known by a cutesy three-Greek-letter name?

ANSWER: The Alpha-Beta-Gamma Paper [or The Alpher-Bethe-Gamow Paper; also accept The Origin of Chemical Elements]

<Academic> [MS]

2. Sometimes people decide to watch a TV show. Sometimes that show is a game show. Sometimes that game show features comedians. Sometimes that game show featuring comedians is British. For 10 points each:

a. This comedic British game show hosted by Greg Davies and Alex Horne makes comedians perform certain activities in a season-long competition. Activities include moving a boulder as far away as possible, camouflaging oneself so as not to be seen in a photograph, and making a song about a person they just met.

ANSWER: Taskmaster

b. You may name either show. These two shows, the first a recently cancelled long-running game show with anagrams, math, and conundrums, and the second a Jimmy Carr-hosted panel show, merged in 2012 to form a strange amalgamation of difficult puzzles and absurd humor.

ANSWER: 8 Out of 10 Cats or Countdown [also accept 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown]

c. This less frequent Jimmy Carr-hosted comedic British game show asks three pairs of comedians about trivia relevant to the topic of the episode. Typical question-presenters on this show include Channel 4’s Jon Snow and the children of Mitchell Brook Primary School.

ANSWER: The Big Fat Quiz [accept The Big Fat Quiz of Everything, The Big Fat Quiz of the Year, The Big Fat Quiz of the Decade, or The Big Fat Anniversary Quiz; accept any year between 2004-2020 in place of “the Year” or any decade from the 80s to the 10s in place of “the Decade;” accept “the Naughtyies” in place of the 00s]

<TV> [BJ]

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3. The nominal third entry in a series among these videos was actually an April Fool’s Day joke, in which a notably controversial example is played twice in a row, and at roughly half-speed the second time. Another trilogy of these videos attracted confusion after it concluded with a thematically appropriate Bible verse

**instead of a punchline. The most viewed of these videos is called “Emergency” and ends with a man saying goodbye to several children while holding his intestine. Early examples of these videos often took place in a plain white void, keeping in line with the original (\*) comics.** These videos have since attempted lengthier stories, such as “Waiting for the Bus,” where the world’s fastest man suffers a downward spiral after failing to win the Indianapolis 500. For 10 points, Fart in a Jar Martin, John Battman, and Airplane Dad are recurring characters in what short animations produced by Explosm?

ANSWER: **Cyanide & Happiness** shorts [accept any answer referring to “Cyanide & Happiness videos;” also accept answers relating to videos in the “Ted Bear series” before “Bible”]  
<Internet Culture> [MS]

3. Taylor Swift is one of America’s most popular musicians and also one of its most controversial. For all the beloved timeless hits she’s put out, there are a few less popular songs, several of which were on her 2019 album *Lover*. For 10 points each:

a. “Me!” is the lead single for *Lover*, which was not very well received; this specific line being mocked quite a bit. It was even cut from the album release due to the widespread derision, probably because this line sounded like something from *Sesame Street*, reminding the listener of the joy of a certain activity before telling the audience that “there ain’t no I in ‘team’ / But you know there is ‘a me’.”

ANSWER: “Hey kids! **Spelling is fun!**”

b. This second single from *Lover* was Taylor Swift’s attempt to release a gay rights anthem with the video featuring several prominent LGBT celebrities including Ellen DeGeneres, Hayley Kiyoko, and the Fab 5 from the *Queer Eye* reboot. Some people accused this song of Taylor Swift comparing the hate she has received online to homophobia.

ANSWER: “**You Need to Calm Down**”

c. This song about Swift’s relationship with actor Joe Alwyn celebrates his background. Featuring spoken word parts by Swift’s coworkers on *Cats*, Idris Elba and James Corden, this *Lover* song has lines such as “God I love the English.”

ANSWER: “**London Boy**”

<Music> [BM]

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4. **In this song’s music video, one man jumps into a chain-link fence and later does a standing backflip while framed by a brick archway. That music video was filmed at London’s Harrow Hall Sports Club whose large glass window is in the background during the opening shot. This song, the first on its artist’s album *Whenever You Need Somebody*, was rearranged for piano on the artist’s greatest hits album *The Best of Me*. The characters (\*) dQw4w9WgXcQ (“d-q-w-4-w-9-w-g-x-c-q”) are often associated with this song. This song’s singer says, “Your heart’s been aching but you’re too shy to say it” and “Don’t tell me you’re too blind to see” that, among other things, he won’t “tell a lie,” “desert you,” or “let you down.”** For 10 points, name this most famous song by Rick Astley.

ANSWER: “**Never Gonna Give You Up**”

<Music> [BJ]

4. An algebra question would be too academic, so let’s do the exact opposite of that thing! For 10 points each:

a. A number that is not algebraic has this property. Technically, this property is dependent on the choice of field, but it’s usually assumed to relate to the rationals.

ANSWER: **Transcendental** [accept alternate word forms]

b. Probably the second most famous equation, like, ever, is Euler’s Identity—it relates two transcendental numbers and a basis for the complexes, after all. Give Euler’s identity.

ANSWER: **e to the i times pi plus one equals zero** ( $e^{(i\pi)+1}=0$ ) [or **e to the i times pi equals negative one**; accept “pi times i” in place of “i times pi” or other obvious equivalents]

c. This function may or may not produce a transcendental number at odd integers greater than 1, but it definitely produces interest in mathematicians hoping to solve its related hypothesis.

ANSWER: **Riemann zeta function** [prompt on partial answers]

<Academic> [MS]

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5. In the KJV translation of 1 Kings 21, these people are referred to as those “that pisseth against the wall,” making this one of the few cases where the LOLcats translation is easier to understand. Abhi Puthanpurakkal is one of these people whose image is on the English Language Wikipedia page for these people; Brian Choi serves the same role for Latin Wikipedia. As of 2013, these people make up over 75% of the population of Qatar, due in part to the country’s use of migrant labor. The (\*) “were-” in “werewolf” refers to these people and, in one work, an anthropologist described “the dreams of [these people]” with the metaphor of ships on the horizon. For 10 points, identify these people, of which a dozen “angry” examples appeared in a 1957 courtroom drama.

ANSWER: **Men** [accept gendered equivalents]

<Miscellaneous> [MS]

5. People like Disney songs. People also like Disney villains. Here’s a bonus about that. For 10 points each:

a. This villain sings to “Beata Maria” and says that God “made the Devil so much stronger than a man.” This sinful character blames Esmeralda for his lust towards her in the song “Hellfire.”

ANSWER: Judge Claude **Frollo**

b. Tamatoa, one of the villains from *Moana*, is voiced by Jemaine Clement, who along with Bret Mackenzie is part of this New Zealand comedy-music group. Tamatoa’s villain song “Shiny” is said by Lin Manuel Miranda to be based on this group’s 2004 tribute to David Bowie.

ANSWER: **Flight of the Conchords**

c. This song features Nazi-like imagery when it shows an army of hyenas marching in unison. In this song, Scar announces his plan to kill Mufasa and Simba to assume the throne for himself.

ANSWER: “**Be Prepared**”

<Film, Music> [BJ]

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6. Every book in one series by this author is exactly 880 pages long and is divided into 30 sections. That series by this author follows nine main characters, including Özgür and Shnorhk. A road novel by this author features an assortment of cars driven by the two immortal teenagers Sam and Hailey. This author’s debut novel was followed by the *Whalestoe Letters*, which was later included in that novel’s Appendix II. This author’s magnum opus followed the Ibrahim family, with a focus on their daughter (\*) Xanther, but that series was discontinued after its fifth book, *Redwood*, though it was intended to be 27 volumes. In this author’s most famous novel, whose first line is “This is not for you,” Johnny Truant discovers the Navidson Record in Zampanò’s apartment. For 10 points, what ergodic and “sign-iconic” author, known for his typographical oddities and meandering footnotes, wrote *The Familiar*, *Only Revolutions*, and *House of Leaves*?

ANSWER: Mark Z. **Danielewski** (“dan-yuh-LEV-ski”)

<Literature> [JC]

6. For 10 points each, name some things about the more educational side of YouTube:

a. This science education channel is named after a fictional element with atomic number *i* and atomic weight 42, which its creator Derek Muller calls “an element of truth.”

ANSWER: **Veritasium**

b. This channel sets calming narration by Hank Green over footage captured by James Weiss, who goes by the handle Jam's Germs.

ANSWER: **Journey to the Microcosmos**

c. This network has spawned numerous channels under its name, such as its Idea Channel, Space Time, and Eons, and is affiliated with many other channels, including Physics Girl, It's Okay To Be Smart, and Crash Course.

ANSWER: **PBS** [or **Public Broadcasting Service**]

<Internet Culture> [JC]

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7. A mid-2020 meme format named after one of these things is based off of shorts from the absurd anime *Nichijou*. Those memes start with a warped singing voice and transition into a surreal scene backed by distorted ambient music with warped repetitive vocals. One of these things is often despised for its perceived childish nature and its over-exposure. They're not cups, but that despised one of these things also names a character who surprisingly appeared as a (\*) Mii costume in *Super Smash Bros. Ultimate* whose brother is also named after one of these things. A white one of these things with a black border is a constant factor in many "Top-text, Bottom-text" memes. That type of these things is called Impact. For 10 points, name this typographical feature that includes examples such as Helvetica, Comic Sans, and Times New Roman.

ANSWER: **Fonts** [accept **Typefaces**]

<Internet Culture> [BJ]

7. Copyright law, schmopyright law. For 10 points each:

a. This palindromic titled play is very obviously about the Peanuts Gang although the only character to keep their name is Frieda. This play opens with CB burying his dog after it had gone rabid and killed a little yellow bird and ends with the Pen Pal signing his letter CS implying that he is Charles Shultz and that he is in the afterlife hearing CB's dog singing.

ANSWER: **Dog sees God**: *Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead*

b. This play features a troupe of post-apocalyptic actors trying to recreate the *Simpsons* episode "Cape Feare." This play takes place after a nuclear disaster and is named after a *Simpsons* character that does not appear in "Cape Feare."

ANSWER: **Mr. Burns**, *a post electric play*

c. A play using characters from this franchise by Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa was shut down by a cease-and-desist letter the day before it was set to premiere. This franchise has seen multiple crossovers including with the *Predator* and *Punisher* franchises and got the critically panned CW adaptation, *Riverdale*.

ANSWER: **Archie** Comics

<Miscellaneous> [BM]

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8. According to a 2018 study by Dane Cook, the largest official example of these at the time was Egypt, and the second largest was one that was added in 2017. One unofficial example of these is a full-scale recreation of Hyrule from *Ocarina of Time*. Firearms cannot be used within one of these places, which is named for a family of explosives experts. Brazil is one of these that features a smaller replica of the Arcibo observatory, and Borneo is one of these created for a payload playstyle. Some of these, like (\*) 2Fort and Hightower, are used as de facto arena maps in casual play, due to the difficulty of completing their objectives. Hightower, in particular, has a reputation for attracting "trolltiers" (rhymes with "soldiers") and Engineers using the Gunslinger. For 10 points, what digital locations showcase battles between RED and BLUE in a Valve multiplayer FPS?

ANSWER: Team Fortress 2 Maps [accept equivalents; prompt on descriptions such as video game maps by asking “from what game?”]  
<Video Games> [MS]

8. For 10 points each, answer the following about a certain type of puzzle:

a. Puzzles that involve putting together some number of small pieces to form a larger picture are known by this name, after the tool originally used to cut such puzzles.

ANSWER: Jigsaw puzzles

b. This German jigsaw puzzle brand is generally regarded as among the highest quality in the world. Its American line, though generally inferior to its global catalog, has several memorable installments, including many from their notable partnership with Disney.

ANSWER: Ravensburger AG [or Ravensburger Aktiengesellschaft]

c. Though it’s probably not accurate, depending on how you count, Ravensburger markets its 140 square-foot “Memorable Disney Moments” puzzle as the largest commercially available puzzle in the world. To within ten percent, how many pieces does it have?

ANSWER: 40,320 [accept anything from 36,288 to 44,352]

<Activities> [JC]

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9. DESCRIPTION ACCEPTABLE. A fictional republic was created in this location following a joke that “London [...] hasn’t suffered massive continental drift to end up in the middle of the ocean.” That fictional republic in this real-life location is modeled after the island from the video game *Myst* and is only one square meter. That fictional location set here is used functionally as a trap for geocoding errors and is called (\*) Null Island. In real life, this location is marked by Station 13010, a weather buoy owned by the Prediction and Research Moored Array in the Tropical Atlantic. A tiny island just offshore of Ghana is the closest point on land to this location in the Gulf of Guinea. For 10 points, give the name of the point on Earth where the lines defined by the Greenwich Observatory and the midpoint between the poles intersect.

ANSWER: Longitude, Latitude 0,0 [or intersection of prime meridian and the equator, accept Null Island before mention; prompt on Gulf of Guinea before mention; do NOT accept or prompt on “The Origin” because that’s stupid and dumb]

<Academic> [BJ]

9. Many music genres today end in -core, independent of whether they contain elements of hardcore music. Many of those examples are predominantly cover genres for pre-existing songs. For 10 points each:

a. This cover genre merely increases the speed of the original song and makes the vocals much higher pitched. The most famous example of this in recent years is a cover of Getter Jaani’s “Rockefeller Street.”

ANSWER: Nightcore

b. This very recent genre of music, also known as tavernwave, has been picked up by many YouTubers. This cover genre with a punny name consists of medieval versions of many modern songs, such as “Astronomia,” “Pumped Up Kicks,” and “Creep.”

ANSWER: Bardcore

c. This fairly broad genre includes some cover bands for classic video games that include sound effects to emulate the audio of older consoles, like the NES.

ANSWER: Nintendocore

<Music> [BJ]

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10. In one spinoff game in this series, an attempted assassination on the President of Zheng Fa is revealed to be a fabrication to boost his public approval ratings. In that spinoff game in this series, the player is assisted by characters such as Raymond Shields and Kay Faraday. In the ending of the first game in this series, \$38 of stolen lunch money is returned to its owner, referencing the event that led the title character to pursue his current career choice. The first (\*) murder in this series was of Cindy Stone who was killed by a clock in the shape of *The Thinker* during a failed burglary by Frank Sahwit (“SAW-it”). In that first game, the main character is assisted by Maya Fey in proving his clients’ innocence against the prosecutor Miles Edgeworth. For 10 points, give the name of this series named after a defense lawyer known for shouting “Objection!”

ANSWER: Phoenix Wright: Ace Attorney [accept either underlined portion; accept Gyakuten Saiban; accept Miles Edgeworth Investigations 2 or Gyakuten Kenji 2 prior to “\$38”]  
<Video Games> [BJ]

10. For 10 points each, answer the following about lesser-known horror movie slashers:

a. As anyone who has watched *Scream* would know, this was the name of the killer in the 1980 film *Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>*.

ANSWER: Pamela Voorhees [accept Mrs. Voorhees, Jason’s mom, or clear knowledge equivalents; prompt on Voorhees; do NOT accept or prompt on “Jason Voorhees”]

b. Okay, that one was a low-hanging fruit but it’s out of the way now. I’m sure you’re all familiar with the murderous Santa of *Silent Night*, *Deadly Night*, but who was his brother who took out the trash in its first two sequels?

ANSWER: Ricky Caldwell [accept either underlined portion; also accept Richard Caldwell, Ricky Chapman, or Richard Chapman; prompt on Chapman]

c. 1996’s *The Dentist* features this man in the titular role as Dr. Alan Feinstone. He also wrote and directed the *Christian Mingle* movie and played Shaun Spencer’s father, Henry, in *Psych*.

ANSWER: Corbin Dean Bernsen  
<Film> [MS]

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11. In the Weird Al song “Stop Forwarding That Crap to Me,” one part says, “your quotes from [this man] aren’t really [this man].” From 1991-1995, this man narrated the US version of *Thomas & Friends*. This man played a New York taxi driver in his short-lived Fox sitcom. This man was arrested for not carrying an ID card right after Lenny Bruce was arrested for obscenity. Nine years later, this man hosted the first broadcast of (\*) *Saturday Night Live*. This man, whose albums include “I Kinda Like It When a Lotta People Die” said that low-cost housing should be placed on golf courses and he said that “coveting your neighbor’s goods is what keeps the economy going” while reducing the Ten Commandments to two. For 10 points, name this dark and critical comedian who is most well-known for his “Seven Dirty Words You Can Never Say on Television.”

ANSWER: George Carlin [or George Denis Patrick Carlin]  
<TV> [BJ]

11. *Journey to the West* is one of China’s Four Great Classical Novels. For 10 points each:

a. This is perhaps the most influential character in the novel, though he is not the main character. This character, who is trapped under a mountain for 500 years after failing to leap out of the Buddha’s hand, is the direct inspiration for Goku.

ANSWER: Sun Wukong [or The Handsome Monkey King; accept but do NOT otherwise reveal Great Sage Equal to Heaven or Qitian Desheng]

b. This is the type of weapon Sun Wukong wields throughout the majority of the novel. His weapon of this type belonged to Ao Guang, the Dragon King of the East Sea and was used to measure the depth of the ocean.

ANSWER: rod [also accept staff or cudgel; also accept Ruvi Jingu Bang, The As-You-Will Gold-Banded Cudgel, or The Compliant Golden-Hooped Rod; accept any additional description that mentions that the weapon “expands and contracts”]

c. This is the title Sun Wukong gives himself after learning that his original title was the literal lowest title in the heavenly bureaucracy. The Jade Emperor gave this title to Sun Wukong to better control him after he could not kill him by rendering him in the brazier of 8 trigrams.

ANSWER: Great Sage Equal to Heaven [or Qitian Desheng; prompt on partial answers]  
<Academic> [BM]

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12. The son of the inventor of this specific type of device produced the film *My Dinner with Andre*. A tire and multiple teapots catch on fire in the film *The Way Things Go* about one of these devices by Peter Fischli and David Weiss. It’s not a vehicle, but one of these devices is the focus of the acclaimed 2003 ad “Cog” for the Honda Accord. The most famous depiction of one of these devices is labeled with thirteen letters and contains (\*) parts such as a pail being weighed down with seeds, a ladle throwing a cracker up to a toucan, and a piece of cloth swinging from a pendulum across a man’s face. For 10 points, the cartoon, “Professor Butts and the Self-Operating Napkin” depicts what type of convoluted device named after its cartoonist?

ANSWER: Rube Goldberg Machines  
<Activities> [BJ]

12. In one comedic appearance, John Goodman leads a secret institution for the repair of these devices which inexplicably contains an “Infinite Labyrinth of Eternal Ice.” For 10 points each:

a. Name these devices which are the focus of a cultlike school beneath Greendale Community College.

ANSWER: Air conditioners

b. This character from *Community* is sought after by the Air Conditioning Repair School after showing great aptitude for repair work. This character has a bromance with Abed which frequently manifests in signature handshakes and sessions of their fake talk show “[This character] and Abed in the Morning.”

ANSWER: Troy Barnes [accept either underlined portion]

c. Troy was portrayed by this actor who created and now stars on FX’s *Atlanta* as Earn Marks. In 2018, this actor’s rap career was brought to the forefront with the song “This is America.”

ANSWER: Donald Glover [prompt on partial answers; or Donald McKinley Glover Jr.; also accept Childish Gambino]  
<TV> [BJ]

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13. In a 2017 ESPN article about the impact of this play, David Flemming argues that this play split a certain team’s history into two distinct eras: before [this play] and after [this play]. Following this play, a notable fan left during halftime and deleted his twitter account, retiring as the unofficial mascot of that game’s losing team. That fan is Fireman Ed. In the third meeting at (\*) MetLife Stadium between the two teams involved in this 2012 play, one came in leading the AFC East while the other was tied with the division’s other two teams at 4-6. This play took place on Thanksgiving Day and was the culmination of an unfortunate sequence in the second quarter accompanied by three turnovers that were turned into touchdowns by the Patriots. For 10 points, name this play where the Jets’ Mark Sanchez collided with the rear end of his teammate, Brandon Moore.

ANSWER: Butt Fumble [accept description of “Sanchez running into Moore” before their names are read; prompt on any description that doesn’t mention Sanchez and any synonym of “butt”]  
<Sports> [MP]

13. For 10 points each, given a line from Epic Rap Battles of History, give the character who said it:



- a. “Three stripes like Adidas / and I’m doing it for Jesus / a one-woman nun DMC.”  
ANSWER: Mother **Teresa** [or Saint Teresa of **Calcutta**, Mother Mary Teresa **Bojaxhiu**, or Anjezë Gonxhe **Bojaxhiu** (“ahn-YEZ GOHN-zeh boh-yah-ZHEE-yoo”)]
- b. “[His name], out the gate, first servant of state! / Oblique attack tactics ain’t exactly straight / I’ve got creative talents and battle malice! / Hard as steel on the field, genteel in the palace.”  
ANSWER: **Frederick the Great** [or **Frederick II** of Prussia, **Frederick II** von Hollenzollern, or **Friedrich der Grosse**; prompt on just **Frederick**]
- c. “Yo, I’m the host with the most glasnost! / Assholes made a mess and the war got cold! / Shook hands with both Ronalds: Reagan and McDonald’s, no doubt! / If your name end with “in,” time to get out!”  
ANSWER: Mikhail Sergeevich **Gorbachev**  
<Internet Culture> [MS]
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14. In the 2017 film *Portrait of a Lady on Fire* one character says that this figure made the poet’s choice, not the lover’s. In an Oscar-winning 1959 foreign language film, Serafina suggests to this figure’s love interest that she wear her samba costume with a veil covering her face. In that film named after a “black” version of this character, neighborhood children believe that the main character makes the sun rise with his (\*) guitar. In one musical, a character sings that “If you had heard how he sang tonight you’d pity” this figure. This figure was played by Reeve Carney in the first musical written entirely by one woman to win the Best Musical Tony. For 10 points, name this figure, usually the son of a Muse, who appears in the musical *Hadestown*.

ANSWER: **Orpheus**  
<Film, Music> [BM]

14. For 10 points each, answer the following about companies which have owned tumblr:
- a. Automatic, the company that purchased tumblr for less than the price of a particular tuna, also owns this blog development software, which has produced successful conferences.  
ANSWER: **Wordpress**
- b. They purchased the site from this company, whose name partially derives from the Latin word for truth. They also provide cell service networks.  
ANSWER: **Verizon**
- c. Verizon purchased this company, whose own webhosting service, GeoCities, was shut down in the United States over ten years ago. This company’s “Answers” service will permanently shut down on May 4<sup>th</sup>.  
ANSWER: **Yahoo!**  
<Internet Culture> [MS]
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15. In one appearance, this actress befriends a teenage girl played by Brie Larson, who dresses as “Valhalla Hawkwind,” a princess created by this actress’s character. This actress earned a Best Supporting Actress Nomination for her appearance in a seven-minute scene outside a Catholic school opposite Meryl Streep. She appeared in the episode “Allow Me to Reintroduce Myself” which is a crossover between a show this actress (\*) starred in and *Scandal*. This actress became the first Black actor to achieve the “triple crown of acting” after her 2017 Best Supporting Actress Oscar for her role as Rose Maxson in *Fences*. This actress’s character in *The Help*, Aibileen Clark, is known for the line, “You is smart, you is kind, you is important.” For 10 points, what actress was nominated for Best Actress for *Ma Rainey’s Black Bottom*?

ANSWER: Viola **Davis**  
<Film, TV> [BM]

15. For 10 points each, answer the following about iconic video game trailers and announcements:
- The announcement trailer to this 2011 zombie survival game is generally held in higher regard than the game, itself. That trailer for this game tells the story of a family on vacation that succumbs to a zombie attack which is all played in reverse.  
ANSWER: Dead Island
  - This game released eight years later had a World trailer that was commended for its atmospheric showcasing of its brutalist and mind-bending architecture. That trailer for this game is narrated by FBC director Zachariah Trench who talks about The Oldest House.  
ANSWER: Control
  - On the other hand, when a new mobile game in this traditionally PC-based series was announced at Blizzcon 2018, it drew fans' ire and famously resulted in one attendee asking if the announcement was "an out of season April Fool's joke."  
ANSWER: Diablo  
<Video Games> [BJ]
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16. **This weapon, which you can receive from Gehrman, the First Hunter, is not very good in reality, but that doesn't stop several fictional characters from using this weapon. A character with a title named after this weapon who dresses as a catholic priest, refuses to take his earbuds out, and wields himself appears in the anime *Soul Eater*. This type of weapon is also wielded by Maka, *Soul Eater's* protagonist. A notable user of this weapon is "the loser of the game you didn't know you were playing" from (\*) *Steven Universe: The Movie*. A rather prolific character archetype frequently wields this weapon, including in *Castlevania* and *Supernatural*. For 10 points, give the name of this weapon typically wielded by Death in a literalism of his role as the Grim Reaper.**  
ANSWER: Scythe  
<Miscellaneous> [BM]

16. For 10 points each, answer the following about biblical allusion in *Peanuts*:
- This character is the resident theologian of *Peanuts* and presents a lengthy passage from the Gospel of Luke when asked to explain the meaning of Christmas.  
ANSWER: Linus van Pelt [prompt on van Pelt]
  - When asked to "not start in again about" this figure linked to another holiday, Linus recites that "a prophet is not without honor except in own country and in his own house." According to Linus, this figure will only appear if the location is "sincere" enough.  
ANSWER: The Great Pumpkin
  - In one Sunday strip, Schroder repeats this biblical figure's quote—"man is born to trouble as the sparks fly upward"—which causes a lengthy theological discussion. Linus posits that "a person who speaks only of the patience of [this man] reveals that he knows very little of the book."  
ANSWER: Job  
<Literature> [MS]
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17. **This phenomenon was historically associated with alcoholism, a link which may be due to elevated acetone levels found in bodies undergoing ketosis. A more recent theory suggests that MCAS could lead to a surge in norepinephrine levels, indirectly causing an increase in thermogenic processes inducing this phenomenon. A more common explanation for this phenomenon that may have caused the death of Michael Faherty is the (\*) wick effect. Charles Dickens's *Bleak House* features a character who dies in this manner and two of the members of Spinal Tap are said to have died in this manner. Although this phenomenon's existence is**

disputed, an analogous phenomenon in haypiles and oily rags is quite real. For 10 points, what hypothetical manner of death generally does not harm nearby objects, despite leaving behind only a pile of ash and perhaps a few intact body parts?

ANSWER: Spontaneous human combustion [also accept SHC and clear knowledge equivalents; prompt on partial answers]

<Academic> [MS]

17. The most well-known song from this show's original run was set to the tune of the "Mexican hat dance" and notably includes numerous geographical inaccuracies. For 10 points each:

a. Name this 90s Warner Brothers cartoon that was rebooted on Hulu in 2020. This show, known for parodying and referencing pop culture, follows the antics of Yakko, Wakko, and Dot.

ANSWER: Animaniacs

b. The 2020 reboot of *Animaniacs* notably excludes this character whose presence often prompts a certain line which, in 2020, was revealed to be strikingly close to her real name. This healthcare professional has an IQ of 192 and is constantly drooled over by Yakko and Wakko.

ANSWER: Hello Nurse [or Heloise Nerz; prompt on partial answers]

c. Although Hello Nurse is absent, this celebrated voice of Yakko, Dr. Stratchansniff, and Pinky returned for the 2020 reboot. This voice actor also voiced Raphael in the original *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles* series and returned to voice Donatello in the 2012 Nickelodeon remake.

ANSWER: Rob Paulsen [or Rob Fredrick Paulsen III]

<TV> [BJ]

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18. **It's not horror, but one arcade game in this genre is based on a pre-existing game about investigating a Venetian zombie outbreak traced to the bank tycoon, Goldman. That original game is *The House of the Dead 2* and the spin-off game in this genre uses a plethora of phrases such as "do I smell fajitas?" and "daddy, I need some cash" in its combat system. One *Mario* game for the CD-ROM is in this genre and includes a voiced 3D model of Mario's head. Another software series titled for the character (\*) Mavis Beacon includes a car minigame. That game in this genre tracked the player's WPM and started beginners on the A, S, D, and F keys. For 10 points, name this type of educational game that teaches people an important computer skill.**

ANSWER: Typing games [Prompt on educational games before mentioned]

<Video Games> [BJ]

18. There are roughly 1,700 active players in the NFL in any given year. For 10 points each, answer the following about the extraordinary few who have earned individual records:

a. This placekicker is the NFL's all-time leading scorer with 2,673 points over his 24-season career. He is a four-time Super Bowl champion also making him the kicker with the most Super Bowl wins.

ANSWER: Adam Matthew Vinatieri

b. This running back reached 10,000 career rushing yards in the fewest number of games at 91. Additionally, his 1984 season with the Rams contains the record for most rushing yards in a season at 2,105.

ANSWER: Eric Demetric Dickerson

c. This recently retired quarterback for the Saints has a plethora of NFL records including: the most consecutive games with one or more passing touchdowns at 54 and the highest single-season completion percentage at 74.4%

ANSWER: Drew Christopher Brees

<Sports> [MP]

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19. One show with this four-syllable word in the title has an episode in which an eerie “Hello” is heard while they’re investigating a famous archaeological site. In another episode of that same show, they investigate a haunted mosque in Malaysia. Another TV show with this word in the title was originally a documentary called *Trail to Terror* before a TV show spinoff was created. A movie with this word in the title was originally going to be an (\*) *X-Files* episode titled “Flight 180.” After it got cut, Chris Carter kept the idea and eventually turned it into a movie in which people are hunted down by death for avoiding it. For 10 points, name this word that shows up in shows including other words such as *Truth* and *Fear* and in a movie along with the word *Final*.

ANSWER: **Destination** [do NOT accept any alternate word forms]  
<Film, TV> [LT]

19. You remember those really messed up short stories they made you read in middle school? For 10 points each:

a. One of the last lines of this short story says of the main character that, “She would have been a good woman, if it had been somebody there to shoot her every minute of her life.” The meaning of her last line saying that her assailant is one of her children before reaching out to touch him is hotly debated.

ANSWER: “**A Good Man is Hard to Find**”

b. While it never says it, this Ernest Hemingway short story is about a woman getting an abortion in South America. It gets its name from when the girl describes a nearby mountain range while she and the man wait for a train.

ANSWER: “**Hills Like White Elephants**”

c. The main character of a short story by this author is on bedrest and writes journal entries detailing a supposed trapped woman in the walls. In a Kate Beacon comic about that short story by this author, the narrator’s husband proclaims that the woman might have feminist intentions and should get in the wallpaper in the kitchen.

ANSWER: Charlotte Perkins **Gilman**  
<Literature> [BM]

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20. Don Warren described the consolidation of this sport in the 1960s as “unionizing.” In the 2019 World Championship of this sport, which took place in Indianapolis, four of the top ten teams had the word “blue” in their name. This sport is judged out of 100 points divided among three broad categories, with the largest share given to “general effect.” The two main divisions of competition in this sport are the World and Open Classes; the first of which includes the Spartans, while the second includes the (\*) Madison Scouts, Crossmen, Carolina Crown, and Blue Devils. This sport’s main athletic component is known as drill, but it also involves music performance, though strings and woodwinds are not included. For 10 points, what sport might be described as a higher-level version of marching band?

ANSWER: **Drum** and Bugle **Corps** [accept **Drum Corps International**; grudgingly accept **marching band** before said; prompt on **band**, I guess]  
<Sports> [JC]

20. This actor tested positive for COVID-19 in September just two days after resuming filming for his starring role in the upcoming film *The Batman*. For 10 points each:

a. Name this actor who is most famous for his role as Edward Cullen in the *Twilight Saga*.

ANSWER: Robert Douglas Thomas **Pattinson** [or... sigh... **R. Pattz**]

b. More recently, Pattinson co-starred alongside Willem Dafoe in this 2019 Roger Eggers film. In this film, which is shot in black and white with a “narrow, vintage aspect ratio,” two men are trapped at the title location when a storm arrives and they start to lose their sanity.

ANSWER: *The Lighthouse*

c. In this other film starring Pattinson, Connie Nikas finds a Sprite bottle filled with LSD and attempts to sell it for bail. In this film, Connie tries to get his mentally challenged brother out of jail following a botched bank robbery.

ANSWER: *Good Time*

<Film> [BJ]