

ACRONYM 15 - Round 11

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1. In *Splinter Cell: Double Agent*, one of these things is the target of the JBA's first Red Mercury attack. *Resident Evil Revelations* mostly takes place in one of these things named *Queen Zenobia*. *Mario Party 7*'s central hub is one of these places. The extremely useful item HM01 "Cut" can be acquired after giving a backrub to an ill man on one of these (*) vehicles in the Gen 1 *Pokemon* games. Sliding tables are an obstacle in one area of a *Mario Kart Double Dash* and *Mario Kart 7* track set on one of these vehicles called the *Daisy Cruiser*. For 10 points, name these luxurious vehicles exemplified by the *S.S. Anne*.

ANSWER: cruise ship [accept equivalent answers like boat or ocean liner] <Maharjan>

2. After several characters on this show watch a coveted briefcase be eaten by a shark, 14 of those characters are told they will appear in its second season. Jude from *6Teen* featured in a spinoff of this show, which also produced the spinoff "*The Ridonculous (*) Race*". Camp Watawanka, a recurring location on this show, was turned into a toxic waste dump by Chris McLean, its antagonistic "host." A wish to "live close to the sun" appears in this series' theme song, which a child tells their parents "I wanna be famous." "World Tour," "Action", and "Island" are among the season subtitles of, for 10 points, what animated parody of competition shows titled for a huge amount of conflict?

ANSWER: Total Drama [accept Total Drama Island or Total Drama Action or Total Drama World Tour or Total Drama: Revenge of the Island or Total Drama All Stars or Total Drama: Pakhitew Island, accept Total Drama Presents: The Ridonculous Race] <Maharjan>

3. In a song titled for this two-word action, Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young proclaims "love is coming to us all." This action is encouraged "if you're lost and alone, or you're sinking like stone" in a namesake song by Fun. In one song, a man who reminisces "once I rose above the noise and confusion" tells a boy to take this two-word action, assuring "there'll be (*) peace when you are done." The chorus of My Chemical Romance's "Welcome to the Black Parade" declares "and though you're dead and gone, believe me, your memory" will do this action. For 10 points, name this two-word action taken by a "Wayward Son" in the title of a Kansas song.

ANSWER: carry on [accept word forms like carrying on, accept "Carry On Wayward Son"] <Maharjan>

4. In *A Goofy Movie*, Principal Mazur scares Goofy by telling him that Max could be killed using one of these things. Though it takes multiple attempts, the Mickey Rourke-played Marv is killed using one of these things in *Sin City*. Another of these things was used to kill the Scolari (skuh-LAIR-ee) Brothers in *Ghostbusters II*. Edouard Delacroix (DEL-uh-kwah) dies horrifically due to a dry (*) sponge being used with one of these things In a 1999 drama based on a Stephen King novel; in that film, a towering Black man named John Coffey is also killed using one of them. The prison guards in the film *The Green Mile* regularly use, for 10 points, what once-popular means of capital punishment?

ANSWER: electric chair [prompt on chair] <Vopava>

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5. In a series-clinching game in 1995, this pitcher threw three scoreless innings on just one day's rest. On multiple occasions, this man threw over opponents' heads during All-Star Games, including once against former teammate Larry Walker. This man no-hit the Detroit Tigers in 1990, nearly 14 years before he became the oldest pitcher to throw a (*) perfect game. This man, who trails only Nolan Ryan in career strikeouts, shared a World Series MVP award with Curt Schilling in 2001. In a spring training game, an impossibly unlucky dove was killed by a pitch thrown by, for 10 points, what Mariners and Diamondbacks fireballer nicknamed "The Big Unit"?

ANSWER: Randy Johnson [or Randall David Johnson] <Nelson>

6. Two-word answer required. In an opening number, this nickname is given to the town of Gander, Newfoundland, the setting of *Come From Away*. The home venues of Indiana University's football team and the NHL's New Jersey Devils each have this nickname. Frank Hummel leads a rogue military team that invades a place with this nickname in a 1996 action movie by Michael (*) Bay. In a tribute to his father, a member of the Anoa'i family began used this nickname during his rivalry with Stone Cold Steve Austin and when he starred in *The Scorpion King*. A Nicolas Cage film set largely on Alcatraz has, for 10 points, what nickname used by Dwayne Johnson?

ANSWER: "The Rock" [accept "Welcome to the Rock" or Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson; prompt on just rock] <Nelson>

7. This show's main character becomes lonely after moving to Paris to live with Aleksander, an avant-garde artist played by ballet legend Mikhail Baryshnikov (buh-RISH-nih-koff). A major story arc on this show concerns Trey's erectile dysfunction. On this show, the geeky Skipper Johnston dated a redhead whose portrayer, in 2018, ran in the (*) Democratic primary against governor Andrew Cuomo. Aidan Shaw dumps this show's protagonist after she confesses to an affair with Mr. Big. This show's 2022 reboot *And Just Like That* lacks original cast member Kim Cattrall, who played Samantha. For 10 points, name this HBO comedy series about a quartet of New York gal pals led by Sarah Jessica Parker's Carrie Bradshaw.

ANSWER: Sex and the City <Vopava>

8. In a prequel to this film, the protagonist seeks out three objects based on Wagner's (VAHG-nurz) Ring Cycle and changes his name from Sebastian to Ludwig. In this film, the backstabbing Martin beheads a pregnant character and steals her head for government research. Late in this film, the shockwave from an explosion kills a helicopter pilot played by (*) Tig Notaro, who replaced scumbag Chris D'Elia (duh-LEE-uh) in that role. Zeus leads the "Alphas," an intelligent group of monsters in this film, which is largely set at the Olympus Casino. Las Vegas is ultimately destroyed by a nuke in, for 10 points, what 2021 zombie heist film by Zack Snyder, his follow up to *Dawn of the Dead*?

ANSWER: Army of the Dead <Weiner>

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9. "Ghosts" said to be in these things are the subject of both a 2020 song by The Midnight and a breakup song from Carrie Underwood's *Cry Pretty*. "Love" is likened to one of these things in the title of a dance hit by Edward Maya and Vika Jigulina, whose main riff is performed on an accordion. Adam Levine sings "it beats for you, so listen close" while likening (*) "heart" to one of these things as the featured artist of a song by Gym Class Heroes song. The chorus of Black Eyed Peas song "Pump It" includes a demand to "blast" one of these things "right." For 10 points, give this term for a sound system that, per its name, uses two audio channels.

ANSWER: stereo [accept "Ghost in Your Stereo" or "Stereo Love" or "Stereo Hearts"; accept answers like stereo system; prompt on sound system or similarly generic answers] <Maharjan>

10. At the 2021 Ice Hockey World Junior Championships, both starting goalies of the Gold Medal game were then prospects of this team. One of those goalies, Spencer Knight, currently shares goaltending duties with Sergei Bobrovsky for this team. Despite starting the 2021-22 season 7-0-0, this team fired head coach Joel (*) Quenneville due to his involvement in the Chicago Blackhawks sexual abuse scandal. A leaping animal once comprised the logo of this team, who lost in the 2021 playoffs to an in-state rival that eventually won the Stanley Cup. The Tampa Bay Lightning contest an intra-state rivalry with, for 10 points, what Miami area-based NHL team with a feline nickname?

ANSWER: Florida Panthers [accept either underlined portion] <Weiner>

11. Alison Roman lost her job writing a column on this activity for *The New York Times* after criticizing Chrissy Teigen. A magazine about this activity came under fire in 2020 when its editor, Adam Rapaport, was found to have done brownface. Andrew Rea runs a YouTube channel centered on this activity that focuses on film and TV (*) recreations. Allegations of a toxic work environment led Sohla El-Waylly and Claire Saffitz to leave a YouTube channel focusing on this activity, which produces shows like *It's Alive* and *Making Perfect*. For 10 points, *Binging with Babish* features tutorials on what activity performed in *Bon Appétit's* Test Kitchen?

ANSWER: cooking [accept culinary work or other reasonable equivalents] <Shao>

12. These animals hide under an opera singer's skirt and cause the tightrope walker Monsieur Duval to fall. In New York, these animals wear firemen's helmets before being arrested for going to an incorrect venue. Janie and Bill play with two of these animals named Greta and (*) Captain Cook, who later have a total of ten children. A house painter from Stillwater, Minnesota receives one of these animals in the mail after writing to Admiral Drake and another after contacting a local aquarium. In a book by Richard Atwater, Mr. Greenbaum offers a performing contract to a group of, for 10 points, what Antarctic animals owned by "Mr. Popper"?

ANSWER: penguins [accept *Mr. Popper's* Penguins] <Shao>

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13. In 2018 this athlete adopted the Lakota name **Ĥéla** in honor of his Native heritage and support of Standing Rock protests. This man joined the 50-40-90 club in 2021, a year in which his season ended after he landed on Giannis Antetokounmpo's foot in a playoff game. This portrayer of the advertising character (*) Uncle Drew and possible flat-Earther made his 2022 debut in a (*) road game against the Pacers after missing two months amid personal controversy. Due to local regulations and his personal beliefs, home games in the 2021-2022 season have been unplayable by, for 10 points, what very weird and vaccine-skeptical point guard for the Brooklyn Nets?

ANSWER: Kyrie (Andrew) **Irving** <Nelson>

14. Kevin McAlea wrote lyrics to one version of this song that prompted one of its performers to claim "We made a mistake." This song was inspired by items at a Rolling Stones concert attended by guitarist Carlo Karges. A cover of this song was the most popular track on the Goldfinger album *Stomping Ground*. Fighter pilots are activated to respond to an "alert" caused by the sighting of this song's title objects; that narrative appears only in the (*) English version of this song, which describes a war triggered by the title objects "floating in the summer sky." For 10 points, name this song by the West German band Nena (NAV-nah) about nearly 100 floating objects.

ANSWER: "**99 Luftballons**" [accept "**99 Red Balloons**"] <Maharjan>

15. The opening shot of this film shows a text-based computer game announcing "You are standing in the cavern of the evil wizard." One plot point in this movie involves a recitation of a schoolyard ditty that begins, "Down down baby, down by the rollercoaster." Susan leaves a company party in this film to go to her love interest's loft for a "sleepover," where they jump on a (*) trampoline and sleep in a bunk bed. In this film, the kindly old CEO of MacMillan Toys joins one of his employees on a giant, foot-operated piano at FAO Schwarz. A carnival machine called Zoltar transforms high schooler Josh Baskin into an adult in, for 10 points, what 1988 comedy starring Tom Hanks?

ANSWER: **Big** <Vopava>

16. Description acceptable. A man vows to kill this character as soon as he's done doing a cover story interview for *Life Magazine*. This character tauntingly says, "He's got your number now" after the discovery of a discarded, incriminating uniform. Three teenagers reveal that this character's scheme involves conquering "Cleveland and Des Moines / And Peoria and New York / and *this theater*." A song about a "total (*) eclipse of the sun" describes how this character was bought by a clerk at Mr. Mushnik's flower shop. The song "Grow for Me" is sung to this creature, who later cries out, "Feed me, Seymour!" For 10 points, name this carnivorous creature, the villain of a 1982 horror-comedy musical.

ANSWER: **Audrey II** [accept answers like the evil **plant** (or **alien**) from *Little Shop of Horrors*; do not accept or prompt on **Audrey**] <Vopava>

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17. At the beginning of this show's fifth season, a boss at Conors & Gould shoots himself in front of Margaret and other employees. After reporters ask for this show's main character, mayor Edward Bader is laughed at for asserting that he "doesn't run this city. I do!" Several men in the Artemis Club on this show are mowed down by Richard Harrow, a (*) disfigured sniper who rescues Tommy Darmody. Enoch L. Johnson inspired this show's protagonist, a corrupt city treasurer, who works with the IRA to trade guns for whiskey. For 10 points, name this HBO show about the Atlantic City bootlegger Nucky Thompson, who is played by Steve Buscemi.

ANSWER: Boardwalk Empire <Maharjan>

18. While covered in heavy bruise makeup, a character played by this actress taunts a man by quoting the movie line, "You were rudely attentive but now you're obnoxiously indifferent." This woman steps through a puddle and celebrates the magic of cinema in a promo shown before all movies at AMC Theaters. This woman starred alongside fellow blondes Charlize Theron and Margot Robbie as (*) Fox News anchor Gretchen Carlson in the 2019 drama *Bombshell*, one year after playing Queen Atlanna in her highest-grossing film, *Aquaman*. Lucille Ball in *Being the Ricardos* is played by, for 10 points, what Australian actress who played Satine (sah-TEEN) in *Moulin Rouge*?

ANSWER: Nicole (Mary) Kidman <Vopava>

19. In a 2022 playoff game, a football player with this surname scored a defensive touchdown following a fumble by Darrel Williams of the Chiefs. After signing with a new team, an athlete with this surname was given permission to use a number retired for Marshall Goldberg. Derek, a fullback with this surname, is the (*) brother and teammate of another player with this surname who tied a record in 2021 that was held by Michael Strahan. In four of the last ten seasons, Wisconsin alums with this surname have led the NFL in sacks. The Cardinals and Steelers employ pass rushers with, for 10 points, what surname shared by defensive stars J.J. and T.J.?

ANSWER: Watt [accept J. J. Watt or T. J. Watt or Derek Watt or Justin James Watt or Trent Jordan Watt] <Nelson>

20. The writers of this song had a parody of it named "Newport" removed from YouTube. A sample of the Moments' song "Love on a Two-Way Street" is the basis for this song, which received a named 'sequel' on the album *The Element of Freedom* and whose title included the phrase (*) "Broken Down." The lead artist on this song from the album *The Blueprint III* discusses his origins in its opening line "I'm out that Brooklyn, now I'm down in Tribeca." The grammatically horrible lyric "concrete jungle where dreams are made of" appears in, for 10 points, what Jay-Z song that features Alicia Keys and pays tribute to the state of New York?

ANSWER: "Empire State of Mind"

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1. Harold Hill describes this place as "the town that 'knew me when'" in *The Music Man*. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this small city in Indiana, which was named for a founder of U.S. Steel.

ANSWER: **Gary**, Indiana

[10] Gary may be best known as the hometown of this musical family. Five of its members, including Marlon and Tito, formed a quintet that sang "A-B-C" and "I Want You Back."

ANSWER: **Jackson** family [or **Jacksons**; accept The **Jackson 5**]

[10] This rapper, who released the 2020 album *Alfredo* with producer The Alchemist, also hails from Gary. His other releases include the Madlib collaboration *Piñata* and the solo release *ESGN*.

ANSWER: Freddie **Gibbs** [or Fredrick Jamel **Tipton**] <Nelson>

2. For 10 points each, answer the following about unique NFL fan chants:

[10] In a possible parody of the Jets' "J-E-T-S" chant, fans of the Miami Dolphins chant these four letters, spelling out dolphin body parts that would be relatively useless in playing football.

ANSWER: **F-I-N-S** [accept **fins**]

[10] Fans of the Minnesota Vikings clap over their heads and chant this four-letter word used to deliver toasts in various Nordic languages.

ANSWER: **skol** (**skohl**)

[10] Whenever this team has first down at home games, jumbotron shows a scene from a 2006 Zack Snyder film that fans perform a triple "ha-oo!" chant to.

ANSWER: **Tennessee Titans** [accept either] <Vopava>

3. A boy attempts to buy the title item of the song "Christmas Shoes" in this manner, a process that "seems like years." For 10 points each:

[10] Identify this petty form of financial transaction, which ostensibly forces the recipient to spend an unreasonable amount of time verifying a correct payment.

ANSWER: **paying** only in **coins** [accept specific denominations of coin, such as **paying** in **pennies**]

[10] In a 2018 video, this internet figure purchased a Jeep for his stepfather using three wheelbarrows filled with pennies. In another video, he bought a luxury car with dollar bills.

ANSWER: **MrBeast** [or Jimmy **Donaldson**]

[10] In a *Seinfeld* episode, a restaurant owner refuses Kramer's attempt to buy this Italian foodstuff using only coins, causing Kramer to storm out after angrily taking his clothes out of the owner's oven.

ANSWER: **calzones** <Andert>

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4. Ita (**EET-uh**) O'Brien has become a go-to "intimacy coordinator" for TV shows that wish to ensure its romantic scenes are done safely and respectfully. For 10 points each:

[10] In 2019, O'Brien supervised this HBO miniseries, in which Angela Abar (**AY-bar**) takes on the moniker "Sister Night" and tries to save her husband, Doctor Manhattan.

ANSWER: **Watchmen**

[10] Michaela Coel thanked O'Brien by name after winning a BAFTA for acting in this limited series, Metacritic's highest-rated show of 2020. It was celebrated for its predominantly Black British cast.

ANSWER: **I May Destroy You**

[10] O'Brien is also overseeing *Valhalla*, the upcoming spin-off of this History Channel scripted series named for the Nordic people it semi-realistically depicts.

ANSWER: **Vikings** [accept **Vikings: Valhalla**] <Vopava>

5. For 10 points each, answer the following about movies that include the picturesque Wollman Ice Skating Rink in Central Park:

[10] Marv of the Wet Bandits tries his hand at skating the rink in the 1992 sequel to this holiday classic about the miscreant Kevin McCallister.

ANSWER: **Home Alone** [accept **Home Alone 2: Lost in New York**]

[10] Footage of Wollman Rink is included in establishing shots in *When Harry Met Sally...* which stars this actress opposite Billy Crystal. She would later star opposite Tom Hanks in *Sleepless in Seattle* and *You've Got Mail*.

ANSWER: Meg **Ryan** [or Margaret Mary Emily **Hyra**]

[10] The Wollman Rink figures prominently in this 2001 romcom starring Kate Beckinsale and John Cusack. The title of this film refers to the chance meeting between its two stars.

ANSWER: **Serendipity** <Weiner>

6. This singer began a music career while working as a choreographer for the Los Angeles Lakers dance team. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this late-80s and early-90s pop singer whose debut album *Forever Your Girl* included the hits "Cold Hearted" and "Opposites Attract."

ANSWER: Paula (Julie) **Abdul**

[10] Abdul's biggest hit was this song, Abdul's first chart topper in the U.S. Its chorus features the demand, "Tell me, Do you really want to love me forever."

ANSWER: **"Straight Up"**

[10] Following the peak of her singing career, Abdul served as a judge for the first seven seasons of this singing competition. This show ran on Fox for fifteen seasons before being picked up by ABC after a brief hiatus.

ANSWER: **American Idol** [prompt on **Idol**] <Weiner>

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7. Citing the MLB's ban on foreign substances being used by pitchers, opposing manager Joe Girardi (**jur-AR-dee**) asked umpires to rub this player's bald head in a 2021 game. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this intimidating pitcher, known for having heterochromia. This three-time Cy Young winner was traded from the Nationals to the Dodgers at the 2021 trade deadline.

ANSWER: Max **Scherzer** (**SHUR-zer**) [or Maxwell Martin **Scherzer**]

[10] As he was being checked for the third time, Scherzer mockingly took this generally embarrassing action, prompting Girardi to leave the dugout and get in a yelling match with Scherzer.

ANSWER: he **pulled** down his **pants** [accept reasonable equivalents, such as **pantsing** himself]

[10] Later that day, this long-bearded closer *also* pulled down his pants after frequent substance inspections. This man won three World Series titles as a reliever with the Giants.

ANSWER: Sergio (Francisco) **Romo** <Andert>

8. While searching for this location, the protagonist discovers that it is not a location at all but a statue instead. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this statue that is also revealed to curse those who come into contact with it in a 2007 adventure video game. It shares its name with an unrelated, real-life mythical location.

ANSWER: El **Dorado**

[10] El Dorado is sought by this protagonist of the *Uncharted* franchise who claims to be a descendent of the English explorer Sir Francis. The first *Uncharted* game is named for this man's "Fortune."

ANSWER: **Nathan Drake** [accept either underlined portion; accept *Uncharted: Drake's Fortune*]

[10] The first *Uncharted* was this studio's follow-up to their *Jak and Daxter* and *Crash Bandicoot* games. This studio also made *The Last of Us* and its 2020 sequel.

ANSWER: **Naughty Dog** <Weiner>

9. In the aftermath of a confrontation between Xander and Silco in this show, a girl angrily calls her sister a "jinx," a title she comes to embrace. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this Netflix series revolving around the sibling dynamic of Vi and Powder along with Jayce's pursuit of Hextech. It is based on a video game by Riot.

ANSWER: **Arcane** [accept, but DO NOT otherwise reveal, *Arcane: League of Legends*]

[10] *Arcane* serves as a prequel to the world of this massively online battle arena game often referred to by the non-laughing-out-loud abbreviation "LoL."

ANSWER: **League of Legends**

[10] Season one of *Arcane* focused on the tensions between the poverty-stricken, dilapidated Zaun and this advanced, prosperous city that literally lies on top of Zaun.

ANSWER: **Piltover** <Maharjan>

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10. For 10 points each, name these performers who appeared on official remixes of "Old Town Road":

[10] This singer of "Achy Breaky Heart" and father of a noted pop singer appeared on both the first and second remixes of the song.

ANSWER: **Billy Ray Cyrus** [prompt on Cyrus]

[10] The third official remix featured both Young Thug and this young country singer, who became famous thanks to a viral video of him yodeling in a Walmart.

ANSWER: Mason **Ramsey**

[10] The *fourth* remix, subtitled "Seoul Town Road," featured vocals from this rapper and de-facto frontman of BTS.

ANSWER: **RM** [or **Kim** Nam-joon; accept **Rap Monster**] <Nelson>

11. This film concludes with its protagonist being set on fire while roaming the Scottish Highlands. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this 2013 science fiction film about an extraterrestrial who roams around Glasgow in a van seducing men before she lures them into an alternate dimension and kills them.

ANSWER: ***Under the Skin***

[10] The extraterrestrial in *Under the Skin* is played by this actress who filed a lawsuit against Disney following the release of a 2021 superhero film to Disney+ alongside a theater release.

ANSWER: Scarlett (Ingrid) **Johansson** [prompt on ScarJo]

[10] Johansson's other science fiction roles include as the title character of this 2014 film who gains psychokinetic abilities upon becoming able to use 100 percent of her brain.

ANSWER: **Lucy** <Weiner>

12. As announced in 2021, Rick Riordan's (**RYE-ur-din's**) next book will follow this character and be a collaboration with Mark Oshiro. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this son of Hades who secretly fosters a crush on the son of Poseidon throughout the *Heroes of Olympus* saga.

ANSWER: **Nico di Angelo** [accept either underlined portion]

[10] Nico's crush is this title hero of Riordan's breakthrough YA fantasy series.

ANSWER: **Percy Jackson** [or **Perseus** Jackson; accept either underlined portion; accept ***Percy Jackson and the Olympians***]

[10] In *The Titan's Curse*, it is revealed that a young Nico and his sister Bianca spent 70 years living at this Las Vegas hotel, a temporal anomaly that made them feel as though only a month had passed.

ANSWER: **Lotus** Hotel and Casino [or **Lotus** Casino or **Lotus** Hotel] <Vopava>

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13. This show's title sequence includes a shot of the phrase "The Truth Is Out There," although several episodes had their own variations. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this 1990s series in which FBI agents Dana Scully and Fox Mulder investigate paranormal and alien goings-on.

ANSWER: *The* **X-Files**

[10] Fox Mulder's office on *The X-Files* contained a poster emblazoned with this four-word phrase beneath a hovering UFO, which became a kind of catchphrase for the series. It was also the subtitle of the second film based on the series.

ANSWER: **I WANT TO BELIEVE** [accept *The X-Files*: **I Want to Believe**]

[10] Mulder's nemesis on *The X-Files* is this shadowy, evil government figure. We will accept either his real name *or* his more common nickname, which refers to the action he does in nearly every appearance.

ANSWER: **Cigarette Smoking Man** [or **Smoking Man** or **Cancer Man** or **CSM** or C. G. B. **Spender** or **Carl** Gerhard **Busch**; accept any underlined portion] <Vopava>

14. For 10 points each, answer the following about the furniture store West Elm:

[10] Like Pottery Barn and a number of others, West Elm is a subsidiary of this large home goods business. Both West Elm and this company found early success with mail order catalogs.

ANSWER: **Williams Sonoma**

[10] In early 2022, an employee of West Elm with this name went shockingly viral after numerous TikTok users who were ghosted by him found each other and shared their stories.

ANSWER: **Caleb** [accept answers like West Elm **Caleb**]

[10] West Elm was the subject of a couch-related kerfuffle in 2017, when an essay criticized a couch with this name so badly that it was discontinued. This couch shared its name with the matriarch on *King of the Hill* and the third, less prominent Schuyler sister in *Hamilton*.

ANSWER: **Peggy** [accept **Peggy** Hill or **Peggy** Schuyler] <Nelson>

15. A cardigan created by this athlete was worn by the singer Griff at a homecoming concert hosted by the National Lottery. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this British Olympic athlete, who was pictured knitting the cardigan to relieve stress in a series of viral photos. This teammate of Matty Lee auctioned off the cardigan for the Brain Tumour Charity in honor of his late father.

ANSWER: Tom **Daley** [or Thomas Robert **Daley**]

[10] At the Tokyo Olympics, Tom Daley won his first gold medal in the men's synchronized 10-metre platform event in this aquatic sport.

ANSWER: **diving**

[10] Daley has often been compared to this other openly gay Olympic diver, who revealed that he was HIV positive after the 1988 Olympics, where he hit his head on the springboard before winning gold.

ANSWER: Greg **Louganis** (**loo-GAY-niss**) [or Gregory Efthimios **Louganis**] <Shao>

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16. For 10 points each, answer the following about one of the Academy Awards' longest-standing traditions—snubbing Glenn Close:

[10] Close's worst snub was in 1987, when she was passed over for her role in *Fatal Attraction* in favor of this woman for *Moonstruck*. One of this singer-turned-actress's pop songs plays on the radio every morning in the film *Groundhog Day*.

ANSWER: **Cher** [or Cherilyn **Sarkisian**]

[10] For her performance in 2012's *Albert Nobbs*, Close lost to this actress in *The Iron Lady*, who is the most-nominated actress in Oscars history.

ANSWER: Meryl **Streep** [or Mary Louise **Streep**]

[10] Close arguably wasn't snubbed for her divisive performance in this 2019 film, in which she plays the grandmother of a law student who returns home to his poor Ohio family.

ANSWER: **Hillbilly Elegy** <Vopava>

17. This man was seen grinning after being ejected for a violent foul that injured Alex Caruso in a January 2022 game. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this Milwaukee Bucks guard, who is generally regarded as one of the NBA's dirtiest players. Detractors of this player often like to point out his striking resemblance to Ted Cruz.

ANSWER: Grayson (James) **Allen**

[10] Grayson Allen's reputation as a dirty player began in his days playing for this easy-to-hate college in North Carolina, which has been coached by Mike Krzyzewski (**shuh-SHEFF-skee**) since 1980.

ANSWER: **Duke** University [accept **Blue Devils**; do not accept or prompt on "devils"]

[10] Allen's foul on Caruso was designated as this specific type of foul, which by rule awards two free throws and possession to the opposing team, as well as the ejection of the offender.

ANSWER: **flagrant 2** [or **flagrant** foul - penalty **2**; prompt on **flagrant** foul] <Nelson>

18. This band's bassist, Matt Maust, came up with their name in a park in Budapest where he noted the spots where Soviet-era statues once stood. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this alt-rock band behind the single "Hang Me Up to Dry." Their anthemic 2015 song "First" describes "flying like a cannonball, falling to the earth / heavy as a feather when you hit the dirt."

ANSWER: **Cold War Kids** [accept **CWK**]

[10] Cold War Kids' self-professed influences include this enduring Irish band whose singer Bono (**BAH-noh**) recently revealed he never really liked this band's name.

ANSWER: **U2**

[10] To replace two members, Cold War Kids poached musicians from this other indie band, whose frontman Isaac Brock is known for his squawky vocals on songs like "Lampshades on Fire" and "Float On."

ANSWER: **Modest Mouse** <Vopava>

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19. To remind users to bring a photo ID, the AMC Theaters app quotes a 1950 film by saying "we're ready for" this thing. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this thing that the insane ex-movie star Norma Desmond declares she's "ready for" in the much-quoted final line of *Sunset Boulevard*.

ANSWER: (her) **close-up** [or **close-up** or my **close-up** or your **close-up**; accept, but DO NOT otherwise reveal, (All right, Mr. DeMille,) I'm ready for my **close-up**]

[10] Norma says "I'm ready for my close-up" while thinking she is speaking to this real-life director. He is now likely best known for his film *The Ten Commandments*, which he had not yet made at the time of the *Sunset Boulevard*'s release.

ANSWER: Cecil B. **DeMille** [or Cecil Blount **DeMille**]

[10] Norma goes mad after hiring *Sunset Boulevard*'s protagonist to create one of these things for her. The Oscar for these things forms the "Big Five" alongside Actor, Actress, Director, and Best Picture.

ANSWER: **screenplay** [or **script**; accept **adapted screenplay** or **original screenplay**] <Vopava>

20. On this limited series, Crockett Island is consumed with Catholic fervor after the recently-arrived Father Paul cures a girl of paralysis. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this 2021 horror miniseries, the third such show made for Netflix by filmmaker Mike Flanagan.

ANSWER: ***Midnight Mass***

[10] Very similar in tone to *Midnight Mass*, Flanagan's two prior Netflix miniseries both have titles beginning with these three words, which precede "Hill House" and "Bly Manor."

ANSWER: ***The Haunting of*** [accept *The **Haunting of Hill House*** or *The **Haunting of Bly Manor***; prompt on partial answers]

[10] Father Paul in *Midnight Mass* is a rare starring role for Hamish Linklater, whose many unsung character roles include IRS investigator Larue Dollard on this FX series inspired by a Coen Brothers film and named for a North Dakota city.

ANSWER: ***Fargo*** <Vopava>