

# ACRONYM 15 - Round 3

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1. **A persistent superstition about these objects suggests they can be condensed by rubbing cattle bones against them in a process called "boning." In 2011, Jack White co-founded a company that makes these objects named Warstic. A typical source of these objects has become increasingly threatened by the emerald (\*) ash borer. A lightweight version of this object known as a "fungo" is typically used during practices. A version of these objects with an axe handle is preferred by, among others, Dansby Swanson and Mookie Betts. Collegiate athletes typically use a metal variety of, for 10 points, what long objects made by Louisville Slugger?**

ANSWER: baseball bats <Nelson>

2. **Specific term required. One of these animals is the namesake of James Franco's directorial debut. Japanese designer Nigo created an urban fashion line named in part for these beings. A video game series titled for one of these beings depicts dozens of them wearing helmets affixed with rotating, siren-esque lights. An artist known as All Seeing Seneca led the creation of 10,000 different (\*) images of these animals, which are described as "Bored" in the name of a line of frequently mocked NFTs. In a film named for these beings, an astronaut realizes he is on Earth after seeing the Statue of Liberty. For 10 points, name these primates that name a "Planet" in a Charlton Heston film.**

ANSWER: apes [accept *The Ape* or A Bathing Ape or Ape Escape or Bored Ape Yacht Club or Planet of the Apes; do not accept or prompt on "monkey" or other similar terms] <Maharjan>

3. **After she tried to pay for a latte with a live raccoon, a character from this show was banned from Robin's Roast Cafe in Connecticut. "Plants" and "Oracle" are among the covens offered at an institution in this show that crowns a student to fight Grometheus the Fearbringer at a school dance. Portals created by Titan's Blood in this show are coveted by Emperor (\*) Belos. This show's protagonist travels to the Boiling Isles to attend Hexside Academy and be mentored by an accursed member of the Clawthorne family. Luz Noceda, a bisexual teenager, is the protagonist of, for 10 points, what Disney channel fantasy show featuring a witch who takes the form of a nocturnal bird?**

ANSWER: The Owl House <Maharjan>

4. **A man vacuums a carpet that was interpreted as a nod to this item in a *W Magazine* photoshoot that also depicted heart glasses. In a tweet about this item, Dionne Warwick offers to "pay the cost of postage" to have it relocated. This item is referenced as the gift to the bride in the music video for "I Bet You Think About Me." In a short film, Dylan (\*) O'Brien is seen with this item after Sadie Sink hangs it over a banister. A song describes how this item "reminds you of innocence / And it smells like me" after it was left "at your sister's house." Jake Gyllenhaal allegedly took, for 10 points, what garment discussed in "All Too Well," a song from the album *Red*?**

ANSWER: Taylor Swift's scarf from "All Too Well" [prompt on scarf] <Shao>

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5. **The protagonist of this film calls and hires a sex worker to scatter various possessions about a motel room. A bartender in this film immediately resents its protagonist upon realizing he is wearing her boyfriend Jimmy's clothes. A character in this film kills herself by having her husband give her lethal doses of (\*) insulin. Joe Pantoliano plays a character who helps this film's protagonist find men named "John G," who the protagonist believes killed his wife. Chronological black-and-white scenes are interwoven with color scenes presented in reverse-chronological order in, for 10 points, what 2000 Christopher Nolan film about a man with permanent short-term memory loss?**

ANSWER: Memento <Weiner>

6. **Two answers required. An extremely awkward rap by these two people was made to plug a DirectTV channel and repeats the word "fantasy" 34 times. One of these people encouraged the other to emulate a "nine-year-old" by flipping two middle fingers during a discussion with Chris Long. A SportsCenter ad featured these two athletes sneakily (\*) attacking each other during a tour. The first week of the 2006 NFL season marked the first of three instances of these two athletes playing against each other; the older of the two prevailed in each instance. An alternative broadcast of ESPN's Monday Night Football features banter between, for 10 points, what two siblings and former quarterbacks?**

ANSWER: Peyton and Eli Manning [accept any answer giving Peyton (Williams) Manning and Eli(sha Nelson) Manning in either order; prompt on Manning or the Mannings] <Maharjan>

7. **Photos taken in one of these places of a cardboard cutout of a girl from the anime Kemono Friends inspired the "Grape-kun" meme. Various aspects of the real world are ranked in a YouTube channel whose name is one of these locations preceded by the word "Tier." A video of Jawed (\*) Karim in one of these locations in San Diego in the first video uploaded to YouTube. One of these locations in Cincinnati briefly deleted their Twitter account in 2016 after being flooded with memes about one of its inhabitants who was shot after a small boy fell into his habitat. For 10 points, name these locations, one of which was the home of the gorilla Harambe.**

ANSWER: zoo [accept TierZoo or "Me at the Zoo" or specific zoos like the San Diego Zoo or Cincinnati Zoo; prompt on more answers like penguin enclosure or animal enclosure by asking "which is part of what location?"] <Maharjan>

8. **This actor appeared as 1980s politician Gary Hart in a 2018 political drama by Jason Reitman. In a 2021 film, he played Nick Bannister, an investigator in a mostly sunken city who pursues his former lover, Mae, after she mysteriously disappears. In a 2011 film, this star of The Front Runner played Charlie Kenton, a retired fighter who attempts to build a robot (\*) boxing champion. In a 2017 film, this man plays both the title character and his clone, who is designated "X-24." In an earlier appearance as the same character, this actor is sent back in time to prevent the rise of the Sentinels. Reminiscence and Real Steel star, for 10 points, what star of Logan?**

ANSWER: Hugh (Michael) Jackman <Weiner>

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9. A number of reviews expressed disappointment that this song went unreferenced in the book *My Life on a Plate*. This song's music video is set at Tasty's Yard, which employs a cook played by Nas (nahz). The darbuka, an Egyptian drum, provides the only percussion of this song outside of a recurring ring from a pair of (\*) finger cymbals. The "techniques that freaks these boys" are discussed in this song, whose title was defined by its singer as "the thing that makes women special." That performer of this song claims she can teach the song's title concept, which is said to be "better than yours." For 10 points, name this song by Kelis (keh-LEESS) about a thing that "brings all the boys to the yard."

ANSWER: "Milkshake" <Maharjan>

10. Annalise Villa, a detective in this city, works closely with a private pathologist named Beaumont on the TV series *Rosewood*. Glenn Frey's "You Belong to the City" was written for a show set in this city that featured crimes linked to the Mariel Boatlift. Former covert ops agent Michael Westen, played by Jeffrey Donovan, works as a private investigator in this city in (\*) *Burn Notice*. Emily Procter played a supervisor who works with the David Caruso-played Horatio Caine in a *CSI* spinoff set in this city, which is home to the undercover cops "Sonny" and "Rico" in a quintessentially 1980s cop series. For 10 points, name this city home to a namesake "Vice."

ANSWER: Miami, Florida [accept *CSI: Miami* or *Miami Vice*] <Maharjan>

11. The winner of the POUND 2019 tournament in this video game infamously had a crab thrown at him. Swedish players who launched their competitive careers with this game include Leffen and one of this game's "five gods," Armada. Single-player modes introduced in this game include a "100-Man" challenge and a (\*) "Home-Run Contest." In 2019, EVO (EE-voh) controversially excluded this 2001 game to make room for its newest iteration. Wave dashing is a competitive tactic in this game, whose tier lists are usually topped by Marth and Fox. *Brawl* succeeded, for 10 points, what GameCube entry in the *Super Smash Bros* series?

ANSWER: *Super Smash Bros Melee* [prompt on answers indicating the *Super Smash Bros* series as a whole, such as *Smash*] <Maharjan>

12. A commercial for this business ominously states that "the window of innocence is shrinking." A 23-19 ("twenty three nineteen") at this company resulted in one of its employees, George Sanderson, being forcibly shaved. Employees from this company performed the musical (\*) *Put That Thing Back Where It Came From or So Help Me*. A former CEO of this company claimed "he would kidnap a thousand children" before he let it die. Roz worked undercover as a secretary for this company for two years, resulting in the arrest of Henry J. Waterhouse III and employee Randall Boggs. Mike "Sulley" Sullivan is the current CEO of, for 10 points, what energy company that uses screams and laughter to power Monstropolis?

ANSWER: Monsters Incorporated <Rao - Pothuraju>

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13. In a song titled for these things, Melanie Martinez describes a person who "got me feeling premonitions of us." A "melting" variety of these things is described in a song whose chorus repeats "let's embrace the point of no return." In her song "Losing," H.E.R. describes wanting to "get closer" like these things, which title a single by Disclosure and (\*) Lorde. The claim "I don't wanna talk to a scientist" follows a ridiculous inquiry about these objects by a noted horrorcore rap duo. In their song "Miracles," the Insane Clown Posse asked "how do they work?" about, for 10 points, what simple objects that can stick to things?

ANSWER: magnets <Nelson>

14. One song titled for this phrase includes the insistence "Turn your love my way" and was a hit for the Allman Brothers Band. This two-word phrase was the street name of Walter White's highly potent crystal meth on the series *Breaking Bad*. *Spies in Disguise* was the last movie by an animation studio known by this phrase that also produced the (\*) *Rio* series. A man named for this phrase is asked "please tell us why" and "where did we go wrong" in a song by Electric Light Orchestra that begins by noting "the sun is shining." In that song, the word "Mr." precedes, for 10 points, what phrase that describes the effect of Rayleigh (RAY-lee) scattering?

ANSWER: blue sky [accept Blue Sky Studios or "Mr. Blue Sky"] <Nelson>

15. In a holiday monologue, Scarlett Johansson begs this actor to bring people back with a Thanos glove he bought off eBay. A recurring character played by this actor wins the affections of his professor, doctor, and Jennifer Lopez but rarely gives more than single-word statements. This actor reviewed the Clint Eastwood movie *The Mule* with (\*) John Mulaney on Weekend Update. This portrayal of the recurring character Chad played Guaplord, a rapper dressed in an orange sweatsuit who sings "you never loved me mom" before being slapped by Questlove for his rendition of the song "Yeet." For 10 points, name this SNL cast member and star of *The King of Staten Island*.

ANSWER: Pete Davidson [or Peter Michael Davidson] <Shao>

16. At a pre-game event Polish athlete Paweł Kidoń earned a contract to play for this team, whose member Donte Harrison goes by the nickname "Hammer." Red Klotz described feeling like he "killed Santa Claus" after he hit a game-winning shot against this team in 1971. Recent tributes to the late Curly Neal have been made by this team, which retired a number of former member Wilt (\*) Chamberlain. Sweet Georgia Brown, the official song of this team, features a whistled melody. A winning percentage of over 98 percent, largely against the Washington Generals, is sported by, for 10 points, what exhibition basketball team known for its humorous antics?

ANSWER: Harlem Globetrotters [prompt on Harlem] <Andert>

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17. Some versions of this artist's most recent album include a cover of Rihanna's "Love on the Brain." This man interpolated the Operation Ivy song "Knowledge" for a collaboration with Trippie Redd titled "All I Know." In another song, this man likened his life to a roller coaster in a song whose chorus repeats the exclamation (\*) "SOS." This artist insisted "I swear to God, I never fall in love" in a collaboration with Blackbear. This artist demonstrated a radically different style on tracks like "Bloody Valentine" and "My Ex's Best Friend" from his album *Tickets To My Downfall*. For 10 points, name this rapper turned pop-punk singer named after a 1930s bank robber.

ANSWER: Machine Gun Kelly [accept MGK, accept Colson Baker] <Maharjan>

18. Sudanese-born player Almoez Ali (AL-moh-ehz ah-LEE) captains this country's national soccer team and set a scoring record in the 2019 AFC Asian Cup, which this country won. Athletes from Italy and this country *shared* their gold medal after tying in the high jump at the Tokyo Olympics. Despite being nowhere near North America, this country competed in the 2021 CONCACAF Gold Cup. Since 2011, this country's monarch has owned (\*) Paris Saint-Germain through a namesake "Sports Investments" firm. Controversies surrounding LGBT rights, bribery, and migrant worker exploitation have plagued the upcoming 2022 FIFA World Cup, which will be hosted by, for 10 points, what small Middle Eastern country?

ANSWER: (State of) Qatar <Vopava>

19. A boy with this first name along with his twin brother Jared and sister Mallory discover a *Field Guide* of magical creatures in *The Spiderwick Chronicles*. Jace turns a boy with this name into a Daylighter after his blood is used to convert the Mortal Sword in *City of Ashes*. An Elliott Smith-loving boy with this name provides support for a bisexual drummer in the novel (\*) *Leah on the Offbeat*. While seeking out the anonymous "Blue," a teenager with this first name hides his sexuality in a Becky Albertalli book titled for him *vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda*. For 10 points, give this male name that, in the name of a publishing company, precedes "Schuster."

ANSWER: Simon [accept Simon Grace or Simon Lewis or Simon Spier; accept Simon *vs the Homo Sapiens Agenda*, accept Simon and Schuster] <Maharjan>

20. Near the end of this film, a character played by Marcela Zacarías (mar-SELL-uh zah-kah-REE-ahss) tauntingly spends nine minutes in a bathroom. This film's title character asserts that "the most dangerous creature on this whole Earth is a woman who knows how to think" while driving a van through Beverly Hills. Rick Macci, a real-life figure played by Jon (\*) Bernthal in this film, convinces its title character to move his family to Florida. Aunjanue (AWN-juh-noo) Ellis received universal acclaim for playing a mother in this film, whose title character claims "I got the next two" when discussing the potential of his two daughters. Will Smith stars in, for 10 points, what 2021 film about the Williams sisters?

ANSWER: King Richard <Vopava>

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1. This cliché is spoofed on *Archer* via Archer suggesting putting up maps to make it easier to sneak around the ISIS base this way. For 10 points each:

[10] Identify or describe this manner in which Erica, by virtue of being child-size, is able to infiltrate the Soviet facility in season three of *Stranger Things*.

ANSWER: crawling through vents [accept answers that generally describe gaining entry (or sneaking around) via a ventilation system or a network of air ducts]

[10] Bellamy Blake frequently navigated Mount Weather's air ducts on this sci-fi drama that ended its run in 2020. Its title refers to the number of delinquents forced to survey a fallout-ravaged Earth.

ANSWER: *The 100*

[10] On this crime drama, the cat burglar Parker once encountered the added cliché of lasers blocking her path through air ducts. Timothy Hutton starred on this show as Nate Ford, the leader of a team of heist makers.

ANSWER: Leverage <Vopava>

2. A title character with this profession from a 1960 Kim Ki-young film falls in love with a piano teacher who hired her. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this profession, which is also ostensibly held by the title character of a 2016 Park Chan-wook film who infiltrates a household in Japanese occupied-Korea to convince an heiress to marry a con man.

ANSWER: housemaid [or handmaid or handmaiden; accept midwife]

[10] *The Handmaiden* as well as a 2010 remake of *The Housemaid* both debuted at this French film festival where they competed for the Palme d'Or ("palm DOOR")

ANSWER: Cannes Film Festival

[10] This director cited Kim's *The Housemaid* as a significant influence while developing his 2019 film *Parasite*.

ANSWER: Bong Joon-ho <Weiner>

3. In January 2022 a statue depicting this girl was temporarily unveiled on a hill near Calabasas, California. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this young basketball player, who was killed along with her father and seven others in a 2020 helicopter crash.

ANSWER: Gianna Bryant [or Gigi Bryant; prompt on partial names]

[10] Gianna Bryant was a member of a girls' team named for this animal, whose "mentality" was frequently touted by both her and her father, Kobe.

ANSWER: (black) mamba [accept mamba mentality; prompt on snake or similar less specific answers]

[10] This woman, who was given the nickname "White Mamba" by Kobe Bryant, gave an emotional tribute at Gianna's memorial service.

ANSWER: Diana (Lorena) Taurasi <Nelson>

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4. While it has the ability to teleport anywhere on Earth, this place is canonically based somewhere in the Bermuda Triangle. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this fictional island, home to a race of Amazons. Men are banned from this island and are put to death for going there.

ANSWER: **Themyscira** (them-iss-KEER-uh)

[10] Themyscira is best known as the home of this superhero, who wields the Lasso of Truth.

ANSWER: **Wonder Woman** [or Princess **Diana** or Diana **Prince**]

[10] As a reminder of men's typical dominance, Wonder Woman and other characters from Themyscira wear indestructible pairs of these objects that can deflect all forms of projectiles.

ANSWER: **Bracelets** of Submission [accept **bracers** or **cuffs**] <Nelson>

5. This man asked a protester "Have you read the Constitution? It's remarkably short" while covering the January 6th insurrection. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this comedian who hosted the TV series *The Opposition*. On another show, this man is the namesake of a recurring segment in which he interviewed anti-vaxxers and other protestors at rallies.

ANSWER: Jordan **Klepper**

[10] Jordan Klepper covered the 2020 election for this Comedy Central show hosted by Trevor Noah, where Klepper served as a correspondent for three years.

ANSWER: *The **Daily Show** with Trevor Noah*

[10] Klepper appeared on *The Daily Show* alongside this longest-tenured correspondent. This woman now hosts a satirical news show of her own on TBS.

ANSWER: Samantha (Anne) **Bee** <Shao>

6. In 2018, the performers of this song stopped playing it live over lingering concerns about its lyric "once a whore, you're nothing more." For 10 points each:

[10] Name this rock song, which also angered some religious fans with the line "God does it feel so good, 'cause I got him where I want him now."

ANSWER: "**Misery Business**"

[10] In 2021, the members of Paramore received a writing credit on this song by Olivia Rodrigo, which strongly resembles "Misery Business." Its chorus describes an ex who looks "happy and healthy."

ANSWER: "**good 4 u**"

[10] Prior to its retirement as a live staple, Paramore would typically close their pre-encore sets with either "Misery Business" or this later hit about "living in the real world."

ANSWER: "**Ain't It Fun**" <Nelson>

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7. For 10 points each, answer the following about sports terms frequently abbreviated "L.O.B.":

[10] In baseball, "L.O.B." stands for this statistic, a measure of how many players reach first, second, or third but fail to score over the course of a game.

ANSWER: (runners) **left on base**

[10] "L.O.B." was often used in reference to the "Legion of Boom," a nickname of the defensive backfield of this NFL team when it was anchored by Richard Sherman and Kam Chancellor. Until 2022, this team was quarterbacked by Russell Wilson.

ANSWER: **Seattle Seahawks** [accept either]

[10] "L.O.B." can also refer to this trophy, which is given to the winner of the NBA Finals.

ANSWER: Larry **O'Brien** Trophy <Nelson>

8. In *National Lampoon's Animal House*, Bluto simulates this action by filling his cheeks with food and then spewing it all over his lunchmates. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this splendidly gross action. On her YouTube channel, dermatologist Sandra Lee styles herself as a "Doctor" of it.

ANSWER: **popping** a **pimple** [accept answers that identify the **popping** or **expressing** or **removal** of **acne** (including **zits** or **pimple** or **cysts**); accept Dr. **Pimple Popper**]

[10] On an episode of *Victorious*, Tori invokes a "deal with Sikowitz" (**SYKE-uh-wits**) to force Jade to pop an enormous pimple on the shoulder of this girl, Tori's narcissistic older sister.

ANSWER: **Trina** Vega

[10] A slo-mo zit-pop ensues after a bad guy looking in the mirror gets shot in the head in *6 Underground*, one of many lowbrow action movies by this prolific director of the *Transformers* films.

ANSWER: Michael (Benjamin) **Bay** <Vopava>

9. For 10 points each, answer the following about films whose villains seek something that has been hidden inside a child's doll:

[10] Two tiny mice help Penny escape Madame Medusa, who hides the Devil's Eye diamond in Penny's teddy bear, in this 1977 Disney animated film.

ANSWER: *The **Rescuers***

[10] In the 1967 thriller *Wait Until Dark*, drug smugglers try to reacquire a doll filled with heroin accidentally picked up by a blind woman played by this star of *Breakfast at Tiffany's*.

ANSWER: **Audrey Hepburn** [prompt on **Hepburn**]

[10] In 1955's *The Night of the Hunter*, Robert Mitchum plays a truly evil man in this profession who seeks the \$10,000 that a bank robber hid in his daughter's doll. Shaw Moore is a man in this profession who denounces dancing in the movie *Footloose*.

ANSWER: **reverend** [or **minister** or **preacher** or **priest** or **pastor** or **clergyman**] <Vopava>



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10. In a remarkable statistical anomaly, this football team scored exactly as many points as they gave up in their nine Big Ten games, but finished with a 1-8 record in those games. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this school, which had just three wins in the 2021 season. Their home games are held in Memorial Stadium in the state capital of Lincoln.

ANSWER: University of **Nebraska Cornhuskers** [accept either; accept **Huskers**]

[10] Nebraska's only conference win came against this only private school to be a full member of the Big Ten, which plays home games in Ryan Field and is coached by Pat Fitzgerald.

ANSWER: **Northwestern** University [prompt on **Wildcats**]

[10] Nebraska is coached by this man, who was the quarterback on the school's infamous "flea kicker" play in 1997. He voluntarily took a pay cut after the 2021 season due to the team's poor performance.

ANSWER: Scott (Andrew) **Frost** <Andert>

11. In 2021, *Rolling Stone* revamped and re-released its list of the "500 Greatest Songs of All Time" and made the top of the list mercifully less white. For 10 points each:

[10] The new number one song is this hit by Aretha Franklin, in which she insists "find out what it means to me" after spelling the song's title.

ANSWER: "**Respect**"

[10] The number two song on the new list was "Fight the Power," a controversial hit by this rap group that counted Flavor Flav among its members.

ANSWER: **Public Enemy**

[10] At number three was this soul classic by Sam Cooke, which notes that "it's been a long, a long time coming," before confidently declaring the song's title phrase.

ANSWER: "A **Change is Gonna Come**" <Nelson>

12. In 2022 it was revealed that this TV network has never once turned a profit in its 16 years on the air. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this network, which formed in 2006 via the merger of the WB and UPN. *The Vampire Diaries* and *Supernatural* are among its original shows.

ANSWER: The **CW**

[10] One of the CW's many failed money-making efforts was "Content Wraps," ads that commented directly on the shows during which they aired; the biggest such sponsor was this preppy apparel brand and its female-oriented offshoot "Aerie."

ANSWER: **American Eagle** (Outfitters) [or **AEO**]

[10] Content Wraps plagued the final season of this alliteratively-titled WB-to-CW comedy-drama that provided breakout roles for Milo Ventimiglia (**vent-uh-MEEL-ee-uh**), Jared Padalecki (**pad-uh-LECK-ee**), and Melissa McCarthy.

ANSWER: **Gilmore Girls** <Vopava>

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13. A hyper-patriotic, gum-chewing general in this film turns to the man next to him and mutters, "Gee, I wish *we* had one of them doomsday machines." For 10 points each:

[10] Name this 1963 black comedy. Near its end, a bomber pilot straddles an atomic bomb like a bronco and rides it to his death.

ANSWER: **Dr. Strangelove** (or: *How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb*)

[10] *Dr. Strangelove* is one of the many masterpieces by this director of *2001: A Space Odyssey* and *The Shining*.

ANSWER: Stanley **Kubrick**

[10] *Dr. Strangelove* is the only comedy film to ever place in the top 10 of this British film magazine's highly esteemed global poll of the greatest films of all time, which it laboriously conducts every 10 years.

ANSWER: **Sight & Sound** [It appeared at #5 in the 2002 Directors' Poll.] <Vopava>

14. As of February 2022, there is no collective bargaining agreement between Major League Baseball and its associated players' union. For 10 points each:

[10] Negotiations between Tony Clark, the head of the players' union, and this man, the awful commissioner of the MLB, have so far yielded little progress.

ANSWER: Rob **Manfred** [Robert D. **Manfred** Jr.]

[10] One sticking point in negotiations is over this type of common tax, which penalizes teams whose payroll exceeds a predetermined amount. A tax of this name also appears on a Monopoly board.

ANSWER: **luxury** tax or **competitive balance** tax

[10] The last major labor dispute between MLB players and owners began in July of this year, and led to the cancellation of the entire postseason, including the year's World Series.

ANSWER: **1994** [prompt on 94] <Andert>

15. In January 2022, the release of a popcorn bucket shaped like this character caused Disney World visitors to wait in lines up to seven hours long. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this purple dragon mascot, who remains an immensely popular Disney character despite not having any substantial role in any Disney film or TV show. He first appeared in the ride "Journey Into Imagination."

ANSWER: **Figment**

[10] Figment is a mascot of the "Imagination!" portion of this Disney World theme park, whose central structure is the geodesic sphere "Spaceship Earth."

ANSWER: **Epcot** [accept **Epcot Center**]

[10] While the demand for Figment popcorn buckets was extremely high, lines were far more reasonable for Figment-shaped examples of these hybrid eating utensils, which were released at the same time.

ANSWER: **sporks** <Nelson>

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16. In recent years, young Irish actor Barry Keoghan (**K'YOH-gen**) has cornered the market on playing off-puttingly friendly characters with insidious intentions. For 10 points each:

[10] In this acclaimed 2021 film, Keoghan plays a highwayman who seems to give helpful directions to the hero Gawain only to later ambush Gawain, rob him, and leave him for dead.

ANSWER: *The **Green Knight***

[10] Keoghan plays the polite but unsettling teenager Martin in *The Killing of a Sacred Deer*, a 2017 film by this Greek director of off-kilter movies like *The Lobster* and *The Favourite*.

ANSWER: Yorgos **Lanthimos** (**YORE-gose LAN-thee-mose**)

[10] Keoghan's indie cred led Marvel to poach him to play Druig, a mind-manipulating member of this title group that opposes the Deviants in a 2021 MCU movie.

ANSWER: the **Eternals** <Vopava>

17. The release of "Floating Through Space" in 2021 marks the latest of nine collaborations between Sia (**SEE-uh**) and this artist. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this artist who collaborated with Sia on "She Wolf (Falling to Pieces)." Nicki Minaj was featured on this artist's songs "Hey Mama" and "Turn Me On."

ANSWER: David **Guetta** (**GET-uh**) [or Pierre David **Guetta**]

[10] Sia and Guetta's most well-known collaboration is this 2011 song, in which Sia claims she "won't fall down" if she were "shot down" since she is made of the title substance.

ANSWER: "**Titanium**"

[10] Guetta remixed this artist's song "Wild Ones," which also featured Sia. This artist behind "Whistle" was featured on Guetta's song "Club Can't Handle Me Right Now."

ANSWER: **Flo Rida** [accept: Tramar Lacel **Dillard**] <Rao - Pothuraju>

18. Despite middling overall reviews, this service was praised for its ability to actually run *Cyberpunk 2077*. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this cloud-based gaming platform by Google that has sought to be a competitor to modern consoles.

ANSWER: **Stadia** [or Google **Stadia**]

[10] Because Stadia games are stored in the cloud, it allows for games to be played on otherwise incompatible hardware, such as these cheap, Windows-free laptops also made by Google.

ANSWER: **Chromebooks**

[10] First party development for Stadia is being headed by Jade Raymond, an industry veteran who produced *Assassin's Creed* and co-created this open-world, hacking-focused game series.

ANSWER: **Watch Dogs** <Nelson>

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19. For 10 points each, answer the following about the fruitful recent careers of the acting alumni of *The Good Place*:

[10] D'Arcy Carden, who portrayed Janet on *The Good Place*, plays Sally's friend Natalie on this HBO dramedy about a hitman trying to become a stage actor.

ANSWER: **Barry**

[10] Chidi's actor, William Jackson Harper, now plays the militia leader Royal on this Amazon Prime series that stars Joel Edgerton as a conflicted slave hunter in an alternate-history antebellum South.

ANSWER: *The **Underground Railroad***

[10] The 2021 shows *Nine Perfect Strangers* and *Brand New Cherry Flavor* both play to the good looks of this Filipino-Canadian actor who played the dopey Jason on *The Good Place*.

ANSWER: Manny **Jacinto** (juh-SIN-toh) [or Manuel Luis **Jacinto**] <Vopava>

20. The singer of the hit single "2002" reminisces about "dancing on the hood in the middle of the woods" with these people. For 10 points each:

[10] Name these people, who also title a Marshmello collaboration that begins "You say you love me, I say you crazy" and asks "Haven't I made it obvious? Haven't I made it clear?"

ANSWER: **friends** [accept childhood **friends**]

[10] This British singer of "Friends" and "2002" sang "Baby, don't you cry, somebody's got you" on the Clean Bandit song "Rockabye."

ANSWER: **Anne-Marie** [or **Anne-Marie** Rose **Nicholson**; accept either underlined portion]

[10] This musician and Anne-Marie recall "the places we used to go" in "Our Song." This Irish singer released "This Town" from his album *Flicker* after leaving One Direction.

ANSWER: Niall James **Horan** <Shao>