

ACRONYM 15 - Round 8

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1. **The nature of this action was determined following a discussion with Nate Boyer. Prince Amukamara (uh-moo-kuh-MAR-uh) abandoned a plan to perform this action after seeing photos of a man wearing socks with certain animals on them. Eric Reid was among the first (*) athletes to take this action, whose popularity prompted Bob McNair to describe it as "inmates running the prison." Mike Pence performatively walked out of a 2017 event after witnessing this action, which was referenced in a grievance accusing collusion against a former 49ers quarterback. For 10 points, name this form of protest pioneered by Colin Kaepernick to raise awareness of racial injustice.**

ANSWER: kneeling during the (U.S.) National Anthem [accept answers identifying the protest of taking a knee or kneeling AND the U.S. national anthem (or "The Star-Spangled Banner"); prompt on answers that identify a protest but do not specify both parts, such as Anthem protest or just kneeling] <Vopava>

2. **In the chorus of a song by a group known by this word, the singer laments how "the world and the world, the world drags me down." Brian Oblivion and Madeline Follin comprise an indie band named for these groups that released the 2013 single "Always Forever." "Fire Woman" and "She Sells (*) Sanctuary" were hits for an 80s rock band named for this kind of group. A specific type of this group titles the biggest hit by Living Colour that tells the listener "Look in my eyes: what do you see?". "Burnin' For You" and the cowbell-laden hit "(Don't Fear) The Reaper" are songs by rock band named after a "Blue Öyster" variety of, for 10 points, what dangerous type of group?**

ANSWER: cults [accept Cults or The Cult or "Cult of Personality" or Blue Öyster Cult] <Weiner>

3. **In the debut of a director from this country, the title character aims to bring a message to "Number 51 at Headquarters" by swimming through a swamp in the middle of night. A teenage boy joins a resistance movement to Nazi occupation despite the protests of his mother in a surrealist anti-war film made in this country where (*) *Come and See* was produced. *Mirror* and *Stalker* are films released by a legendary director from this former country, which is the setting of a silent film featuring an iconic violent sequence set on the Odessa Steps. *The Battleship Potemkin* is an early film from, for 10 points, what former country, the homeland of Andrei Tarkovsky?**

ANSWER: Soviet Union [or USSR or CCCP or Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; prompt on Russia] <Weiner>

4. **Mike Butters appears in the awkward cutscenes of a PS1 game promoting one of these products with a blue and white character. One of these products branded as "Quantum" was made with Strontium-90 and glows bright blue. For young audiences, Soviet boxer Vodka Drunkenski in *Punch-Out!!* was renamed for these products. Along with "Friends" and "Jelly," these products name a sequel to the original (*) *Candy Crush Saga*. A *Mario Party* mini-game tasks players with achieving the highest height after shaking and opening a bottle of this product. For 10 points, name this type of product exemplified by the *Fallout* games' Nuka-Cola.**

ANSWER: soda [accept regional equivalents like pop or coke, accept Pepsi or Pepsiman, accept Nuka Cola or cola before mention, accept Soda Popenski, accept Candy Crush Soda Saga] <Maharjan>

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5. A farewell event held in this building features a rendition of a song that ends, "These were the best days of my flerm." A man who works in this building bears a striking resemblance to a villain on a Mexican *telenovela* known as "the Generalissimo." One of this building's dressing rooms contains posters for the movies *White Cop*, (*) *Black Cop* and *Who Dat Ninja?*. *The Girlie Show*, which is permanently rebranded as *TGS with Tracy Jordan*, is filmed in this building, where the immortal and devoted page Kenneth works. Jack Donaghy (**DON-uh-gee**) supervises Liz Lemon at, for 10 points, what Manhattan skyscraper and title setting of a Tina Fey sitcom on NBC?

ANSWER: **30 Rockefeller Plaza** [accept **Comcast Building** or **GE Building**; Prompt on **Rockefeller Center**] <Vopava>

6. The vocalist on this song disputed a claim by Roots drummer Questlove that it sampled a noise from a Prince song. A performer of this song claims to have "more rhymes" than "the Bible's got Psalms." The producer of this song, DJ Muggs, suggested it may have been ripped off for the debut single by Kris Kross. This 1992 song, which is sung at University of (*) Wisconsin football games, opens with Everlast commanding "pack it up, pack it in, let me begin" and repeats the declaration "I came to get down." A high-pitched squeal appears in, for 10 points, what rap hit by House of Pain that encourages listeners to go "up and get down"?

ANSWER: **"Jump Around"** <Maharjan>

7. This actor stars alongside Charlotte Rampling in *Sculpt*, a 50-minute art film screened to only one person at a time at an L.A. museum. As Clem, this actor gives a horrifying monologue about how he hooks bums on opium to turn them into sideshow freaks in *Nightmare Alley*. Another character played by this man gives the toast "God who hears the surges roll, deign to save the suppliant soul" and works as a "wickie" in a (*) remote location. In a 2021 film, a man played by this actor flees to a soup kitchen run by Aunt May after he is displaced from his original dimension. The older actor in *The Lighthouse* is, for 10 points, what actor who plays the Green Goblin in *Spider-Man: No Way Home*?

ANSWER: Willem **Dafoe** [or William (James) **Dafoe**] <Vopava>

8. Description acceptable. One of these people references the movie *Inside Men* by suggesting a trip to the Maldives and a mojito (**moh-HEE-toh**). Several of these people are fed only an egg and soda, prompting a riot started by a gangster. A disgraced doctor who becomes one of these people is secretly participating in an (*) organ-harvesting scheme. A policeman searching for his brother discovers a card with a circle, triangle, and square that is given to these people. The elimination of 255 of these people in "Red Light, Green Light" results in cash being dropped into a giant piggy bank. For 10 points, identify these people who attempt to survive in a wildly popular Korean Netflix series.

ANSWER: **players** in ***Squid Game*** [accept **participants** or **contestants** in ***Squid Game*** or similar] <Shao>

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9. In 1977, the refusal to remove a tarp from one of these places led the Baltimore Orioles to forfeit a game. The name of these places may have been inspired by large tobacco ads and was originally applied to the crowded, standing-room seating in old ballparks. Until 1995, the Milwaukee Brewers used a motorcycle and sidecar to transport people (*) from one of these places, which only two current parks still place in foul territory. At Yankee Stadium, "Enter Sandman" routinely played as Mariano Rivera emerged from one of these places. Two sets of mounds and plates are present in, for 10 points, what places where relief pitchers warm up?

ANSWER: **bullpen** [prompt on mound or pitcher's mound before "tobacco"] <Nelson>

10. The "Elder" variety of these things is the final form of the illithids in *Dungeons & Dragons*. One of these things is depicted as the "most eligible landowner in all Hertfordshire" on an episode of *Futurama*, in which a race of these things is a recurring villain. Though he is often placed in the center of a humanoid body, the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles villain (*) Krang is essentially one of these things. Samus Aran defeats a "mother" variety of these things in numerous early games of the *Metroid* series. In *A Wrinkle in Time*, the being IT resembles a disembodied example of, for 10 points, what ostensibly smart body parts?

ANSWER: giant **brains** [or floating **brains** or big **brains** or other answers giving the word **brain**; accept Mother **Brain**] <Nelson>

11. This substance names a trilogy by M.J. Evans centering on Nick and his horse Jazz. In the *Guardians of Ga'hoole* series, Hortense is nicknamed for this substance after her feathers turn transparent. Buddy cops Wax and Wayne star in a series named for this substance whose magic system revolves around burning metals. In the *Percy Jackson* series, this substance names the phenomenon that (*) hides monsters, gods, and other mythological happenings from the sight of mortals. Brandon Sanderson's debut novel is named for people "born" of this substance, which titles a Stephen King novella in which this substance engulfs a small town. For 10 points, name this weather phenomenon slightly more visible than fog.

ANSWER: **mist** [accept *Mistborn* or *Mist Trilogy*, prompt on water] <Maharjan>

12. In 2013 this filmmaker adapted Cormac McCarthy's first-ever original screenplay into the film *The Counselor*. To lament a 2021 flop, this director opined that Millennials don't want "to be taught anything unless you're told it on the cell phone." Critics savaged this filmmaker in 2014 for casting Christian Bale, Sigourney Weaver, and other white people in his biblical epic *Exodus: Gods and Kings*. This man made two 2021 films with Adam (*) Driver: one about a knight accused of rape and another about a fashion mogul whose power-hungry wife is played by Lady Gaga. *The Last Duel* and *House of Gucci* are by, for 10 points, what director of *Prometheus* and other films in his *Alien* franchise?

ANSWER: Ridley **Scott** <Vopava>

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13. In one show, a 70-foot semi-truck partially named for this location is used to retrain chefs at failing restaurants. A strange sports car theme and an awkward murder mystery were featured on a reality show titled for a Hotel in this place. This is the first word in the name of a show co-starring Jean-Philippe Susilovic and Marino Monferrato, which features red and blue teams separated by (*) gender that compete in dinner service challenges. A condensed version of the series *Kitchen Nightmares* is titled for *24 Hours to this location and Back*. A *Kitchen* in another Gordon Ramsay show is appropriately named after, for 10 points, what fiery location?

ANSWER: hell [accept 24 Hours To Hell And Back or Hotel Hell or Hell's Kitchen] <Maharjan>

14. This single debuted at a Jake Paul boxing match to promote the debut of the streaming app Triller. This song's second verse rhymes "dessert, too" with "gin and juice" and "wisdom tooth." The writers of the 1981 hit "Physical" are co-credited on this song due to similarities between their choruses, especially the rhythm and notes of this song's lyric (*) "it's just principle." This song's video features Alex Landi as a hunky astronaut who wakes up in a pink bed with the singer and guest artist SZA (SIZ-uh). Each chorus of this song promises "Boy, you write your name, I can do the same" and ends "All on my tongue, I want it!" For 10 points, name this 2021 single by Doja Cat.

ANSWER: "Kiss Me More" <Vopava>

15. Despite losing the first leg to Paços de Ferreira, this team ultimately won a qualifying tie 3-1 to reach the inaugural Europa Conference League. In February 2020, a South Korean player for this club became the first Asian player to score 50 career goals in the Premier League. This club's home ground, which opened in 2019, has a retractable grass pitch that covers a synthetic turf that has been used for (*) NFL Games. After numerous rumors regarding a transfer in summer 2021, Harry Kane ended up staying with this team, whose logo depicts a cockerel. Arsenal contests the North London derby against, for 10 points, what Premier League team nicknamed "Spurs"?

ANSWER: Tottenham Hotspur F. C. [accept Spurs before mentioned] <Weiner>

16. John F. Kennedy Jr. met his wife Carolyn Bessette while she was a publicist for this brand. Brazilian pole vaulter Tom Hintnaus leans against a white wall in an ad for this brand that reportedly stopped traffic when it was placed in Times Square. In a controversial Richard Avedon ad for this brand, Brooke Shields asserted that nothing (*) "comes between me and" products made by this brand. This brand's 1992 ad starring Kate Moss and Mark Wahlberg inspired a 2015 ad campaign featuring a shirtless Justin Bieber in this brand's underwear. For 10 points, name this American fashion brand often abbreviated CK.

ANSWER: Calvin Klein [accept Calvin Klein Underwear; accept Calvin Klein Jeans; prompt on "my Calvins"] <Shao>

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17. After ordering four waters, this group is informed by a woman with a switchblade that "the only thing we serve here is tongue." One member of this group who speaks Spanish purposefully gives terrifying instructions to the new maid Rosalita, who is helping with a move. According to a movie tie-in song by Cyndi Lauper, this group is "good enough for you." Mikey (*) Walsh leads this group, whose members include Chunk, who is coerced into lifting his shirt to do a dance called the "Truffle Shuffle" and who befriends a deformed man named Sloth. The pirate treasure of One-Eyed Willy is discovered by, for 10 points, what pre-teen title dorks of a 1985 film, whose motto is "never say die"?
ANSWER: the Goonies [accept Goonies never say die] <Vopava>

18. In 2016, a player with this last name hit a pull up jumper from half court two seconds into a game while playing for Chino Hills High School. In the 2017-18 season, two players with this surname played for Vytautas (vy-TAU-tuss), which finished in last place in the Lithuanian Basketball League. One player with this last name, along with Brandon Ingram and Josh Hart, were part of the trade that sent Anthony (*) Davis to the Lakers; that player is currently a point guard for the Bulls. In 2021, a player with this last name was named Rookie of the Year after a strong season with the Charlotte Hornets. Lavar is the boisterous patriarch of, for 10 points, what family that includes NBA players Lonzo and LaMelo?
ANSWER: Ball [accept LaMelo (LaFrance) Ball or Lonzo Ball or Lavar Ball] <Andert>

19. In 2018 this artist guested on "Made for Now," the most recent single by Janet Jackson. A music video by this artist was the most viewed Youtube video released in 2019; that song begins by asking "¿Cómo te llamas, baby?" (CO-mo tay YA-mas "baby"). This artist replaced Young Thug's verse with one of his own in a remix of (*) Camila Cabello's (kah-MEE-lah kay-BAY-ohz) "Havana." In a single from this man's album *Barrio Fino* (BAR-ee-oh FEE-noh), Glory repeats the phrase "dame más (dah-may MAHSS)," or "give me more," of the title substance. This artist raps "with me, your heart goes 'bam-bam'" as a featured artist on Luis Fonsi's "Despacito." "Con Calma" and "Gasolina" are by, for 10 points, what Puerto Rican reggaeton artist with a paternal stage name?
ANSWER: Daddy Yankee [or Ramón Luis Ayala Rodríguez] <Andert>

20. The second season finale of this series was a crossover with *Queer Eye* in which Bobby Berk proved victorious. One of this show's unlikely stars, Weston Bahr, is its assistant director and usually has no lines. Kymberli, a woman on this show's first season, created a gaunt yellow version of (*) Donald Trump with terrifyingly red eyelids. Those who come in last in this show's first segment are awarded a button they can use to annoy and distract their rivals in the second segment. French pastry chef Jacques Torres joins comedian Nicole Byer in hosting, for 10 points, what baking competition show in which total amateurs typically fail at recreating elaborate desserts?
ANSWER: Nailed It! <Vopava>

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1. For 10 points each, name these video games that punish players who use too many cheat codes:

[10] Some versions of this metropolis-building game by Will Wright have an easy cheat code to get extra money, but using it too many times will spawn massive fires and earthquakes.

ANSWER: **SimCity**

[10] In this N64 game titled for a bear and bird duo, excessive use of cheat codes prompts a warning from the witch Gruntilda; further cheating makes the game delete the player's save file.

ANSWER: **Banjo-Kazooie**

[10] While the first game in this series had an easy cheat code to unlock numerous weapons, using the same code in its sequel makes the protagonist immediately explode. This franchise was recently rebooted via the "Survival Trilogy."

ANSWER: **Tomb Raider** [accept **Tomb Raider II**] <Nelson>

2. Many people on this show say they "see a bird" in an abstract painting that hangs in a waiting room. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this engrossing documentary TV series, launched in 2019, that chronicles Orna Guralnik's actual counseling sessions with troubled romantic partners.

ANSWER: **Couples Therapy**

[10] Vulture's review of *Couples Therapy* praised its total lack of sensationalism, contrasting it with *Celebrity Rehab with Dr. Drew* on this cable channel, which coincidentally aired a much trashier show called *Couples Therapy* back in 2012.

ANSWER: **VH1**

[10] The newer, better *Couples Therapy* airs on this premium cable network that, like Starz, is one of HBO's chief rivals. The revival of *Dexter* also aired on this network.

ANSWER: **Showtime** <Vopava>

3. A Chicago Cubs game on May 27, 2021 featured one of the strangest and dumbest plays in Major League Baseball history. For 10 points each:

[10] This Cubs star, who was traded to the Mets later in the year, made an opposing first baseman chase him towards home plate on a ground ball instead of just touching the base. Perhaps appropriately, he is nicknamed "El Mago" (**MAH-goh**), or "The Magician."

ANSWER: Javier **Báez** (**BY-ez**) [or Javy **Báez**; accept Ednel Javier **Báez**]

[10] Baez bamboozled Will Craig, a player for this team, who went on to lose 101 games in the 2021 season. Like other teams in their city, they have a black and yellow color scheme.

ANSWER: **Pittsburgh Pirates** [accept either]

[10] Less than two months later, Will Craig was dealt to the Kiwoom Heroes, a team in this Asian league that received a lot of U.S. coverage during COVID lockdowns.

ANSWER: **Korea Baseball Organization** [or **KBO**; accept **KBO League**] <Nelson>

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4. Before choosing to sing it himself, Rob Thomas intended for George Michael to perform on this song. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this inescapable 1999 song, which begins by noting "Man, it's a hot one."

ANSWER: "**Smooth**"

[10] This Latin band experienced a resurgence following the success of "Smooth." It is fronted by a guitarist named Carlos.

ANSWER: **Santana** [accept Carlos **Santana**]

[10] "Smooth" describes a 'Mona Lisa' from this New York neighborhood. Guest singer David McRae described growing up in this neighborhood, which has a nationality in its name, in Santana's follow-up single "Maria Maria."

ANSWER: **Spanish Harlem** [prompt on **Harlem**; prompt on **East Harlem** by saying "I need the name used in the songs."] <Nelson>

5. A character who stole a taste of this product is angrily informed, "You bumped into the ceiling, which now has to be washed and sterilized, so you get *nothing!* You lose! Good day, sir!" For 10 points each:

[10] Name this beverage that Charlie and Grandpa Joe illicitly sample in the film *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory*.

ANSWER: **Fizzy Lifting Drinks** [prompt on close descriptive answers by saying "I need the exact name."]

[10] Charlie's shame over stealing Fizzy Lifting Drinks prompts him to give this experimental candy back to Willy Wonka. Today, a brand of jawbreakers is sold under this name by Nestlé.

ANSWER: Everlasting **Gobstopper(s)**

[10] Charlie's remorse convinces Wonka to choose Charlie as his heir over the four other Golden Ticket winners who visit his factory—name *any* of those other four children.

ANSWER: **Augustus Gloop**, **Violet Beauregard**, **Veruca Salt**, or **Mike Teevee** [accept any underlined name in this list] <Vopava>

6. The revelation that Yennefer of Vengerberg has the blood of these beings prevents her from being assigned to the court at Aedirn. For 10 points each:

[10] Name these beings, who back out of their alliance with Nilfgaard after the birth of Francesca and Filavandrel's baby in the second season of a Netflix show.

ANSWER: **elves** [accept **elf**]

[10] In this show, the Queen Calanthe of Cintra refuses to relinquish her granddaughter Cirilla, defying the Law of Surprise. The title character of this show travels with his horse Roach.

ANSWER: *The* **Witcher**

[10] Geralt of Rivia is played by this actor, who is better known for playing Superman in *Man of Steel*.

ANSWER: Henry (William Dalglish) **Cavill** <Shao>

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7. Matt Damon strolls down a futuristic hall and proclaims that "history is full of almosts" in a recent ad for a website selling this product. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this general type of product. In the aforementioned ad, the bravery of astronauts and mountain climbers is basically equated with the bravery of investing in it.

ANSWER: **crypto**currency [or **crypto**currencies; accept **Crypto**.com]

[10] The stupendously dumb ad ends with Damon, with a totally straight face, saying this short phrase, which he calls "four simple words that have been whispered by the intrepid since the time of the Romans."

ANSWER: "**Fortune favors the brave.**" [do not accept or prompt on any variations of this]

[10] Crypto.com, the company that aired the ad, is actually based in this city-state, which is home to the massive metal-trading company T^rafigura.

ANSWER: **Singapore** <Vopava>

8. This actress's vocal opposition to COVID vaccinations led to multiple delays in the making of an upcoming action film. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this actress, who ironically rose to fame playing the very pro-science character Shuri (**SHOO-ree**) in a 2018 blockbuster.

ANSWER: Letitia (Michelle) **Wright**

[10] Wright's vaccination status has led to delays in the filming of an upcoming sequel to *Black Panther* whose title refers to this fictional African country.

ANSWER: **Wakanda** (**wah-KAHN-dah**) [accept *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*]

[10] While Wright's character had been a leading candidate to become the new Black Panther, many Marvel fans now favor giving that honor to Nakia (**nah-KEE-ah**), a Wakandan spy played by this actress who won an Oscar for *12 Years a Slave*.

ANSWER: Lupita (Amondi) **Nyong'o** <Nelson>

9. Kevin Durant called this man a "unicorn" because of his ability to both block shots and make three-pointers. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this tall and frequently injured basketball player, who was traded in 2019 for a package highlighted by DeAndre Jordan.

ANSWER: Kristaps **Porzingis**

[10] Porzingis was originally drafted by this franchise, where he played home games in Madison Square Garden. He was dealt after expressing concerns about the direction of this team, which is usually a reasonable thing to do.

ANSWER: **New York Knicks** [accept either]

[10] This co-host of the TV show *First Take* lambasted the Knicks for drafting Porzingis, saying that Knicks fans had been "hoodwinked, bamboozled, led astray, run amuck, and flat-out deceived."

ANSWER: **Stephen A. Smith** [or Stephen Anthony **Smith**; accept any underlined portion] <Andert>

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10. In 2020, the man known for taking this action claimed that doing it resulted in "a bigger hit," so he "naturally had to bring it back" after a brief hiatus. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this action that occurs in the opening of songs like "Acapulco" and "Don't Wanna Go Home."

ANSWER: Jason **Derulo** singing **his name** [accept any answers describing both Jason **Derulo** or Jason Joel **Desrouleaux** and the act of **singing** or **saying his own name**]

[10] Derulo revived singing his name again with this 2020 song produced by Jawsh 685. Derulo asks "did somebody break your heart" in response to this song's title.

ANSWER: "**Savage Love**"

[10] Derulo first sang his own name in this hit debut single from his self-titled album. This song heavily samples Imogen Heap's "Hide and Seek" and is named for a line from it.

ANSWER: "**Whatcha Say**" <Rao - Pothuraju>

11. For 10 points each, answer the following about TV shows whose opening sequences depict people on sidewalks:

[10] In the opening intro to this *Happy Days* spin-off, this show's two title characters skip and sing "Schlemiel! Schlimazel! Hasenpfeffer Incorporated!" on a Milwaukee sidewalk as they travel to work at the Shotz Brewery.

ANSWER: **Laverne & Shirley**

[10] Minneapolis's Nicollet Mall features a statue replicating this actress's iconic hat throw at the end of the title sequence to her namesake show, which also starred Ed Asner and Betty White.

ANSWER: Mary Tyler **Moore** [accept "*The **Mary Tyler Moore** Show*"]]

[10] In an animated opening sequence, this troublemaking child hears a school bell at Springfield Elementary and promptly skateboards his way out of the school and down a sidewalk.

ANSWER: **Bart** Simpson [or **Bartholomew** Jojo Simpson; prompt on "Simpson"] <Andert>

12. A May 2020 *New York Times* article on this increasingly popular design aesthetic likened it to a "Holly Hobbie illustration come to life." For 10 points each:

[10] Name this aesthetic that glorifies rustic living, especially mundane chores like gardening, baking, and raising animals, with flowers and wood as core visual motifs.

ANSWER: **cottagecore** [do not accept or prompt on "grandmacore" or "goblincore"]

[10] This food item is chief in the pantheon of cottagecore imagery, especially the *amanita muscaria* cultivar which has a red cap with white dots.

ANSWER: **mushrooms** [or **toadstools**]

[10] A 2021 *Paper Magazine* photoshoot mocking cottagecore features Jennifer Coolidge churning butter and vacuuming a barnyard; Coolidge may be best known as the dopey hairdresser Paulette who teaches the "bend and snap" in this 2000 comedy film.

ANSWER: **Legally Blonde** <Vopava>

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13. In high school, this player financed a trip to a national kicking camp using his winnings from an illegal poker club. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this punter who spent his entire NFL career with the Indianapolis Colts. He now hosts an eponymous NFL talk show on SiriusXM.

ANSWER: Pat **McAfee** [Patrick Justin **McAfee**]

[10] *The Pat McAfee Show's* recurring guests include this Green Bay Packers quarterback who claimed he was "immunized" but never received a COVID vaccine in a notorious 2021 interview.

ANSWER: Aaron (Charles) **Rodgers**

[10] In response to the claims that Rodgers made on *The Pat McAfee Show*, this activist ex-athlete wrote an essay calling out Rodgers for seeking medical advice from Joe Rogan instead of an immunologist. He is the namesake of the NBA's Social Justice Champion Award.

ANSWER: Kareem **Abdul-Jabbar** [accept Lew **Alcindor** or Ferdinand Lewis **Alcindor, Jr.**] <Andert>

14. A group of teens known by this term spend summer vacations on Beechwood Island in an E. Lockhart novel. For 10 points each:

[10] Give this term, which is the last word of that novel. This is also the last word of an unrelated novel about the disappearance of Alison DiLaurentis; we will accept either its single or plural form.

ANSWER: **liars** [accept *We Were* **Liars** or *Pretty Little* **Liars**]

[10] This author chronicled the blackmailing of Spencer, Hanna, Aria, and Emily by the mysterious "A" after Alison's death in her novel *Pretty Little Liars*.

ANSWER: Sara **Shepard**

[10] Sara Shepard's *The Lying Game* follows Emma Paxton as she learns of the existence of Sutton Mercer, who has this relation to her. The joke shop Weasleys' Wizard Wheezes is founded by Fred and George, who have this relationship in the *Harry Potter* series.

ANSWER: identical **twins** [accept identical **twin** brothers or identical **twin** sisters; prompt on **brothers** or **sisters** or **siblings**] <Shao>

15. Several actors in Paul Thomas Anderson's latest film *Licorice Pizza* come from acclaimed showbiz families. For 10 points each:

[10] *Licorice Pizza's* female lead, Alana (**uh-LAH-nuh**), rose to fame as part of this band behind the 2014 alt-rock hit "The Wire." Their entire family, including sisters Danielle and Este (**ESS-tee**), plays Alana's family in the film.

ANSWER: **Haim** (hyme)

[10] The film's other lead, Gary Valentine, is played by Cooper, an actor with this surname that he shares with his father, who starred in the film *Capote* (**kuh-POH-tee**) and died of a drug overdose in 2014.

ANSWER: **Hoffman** [accept Cooper **Hoffman** or Philip Seymour **Hoffman**]

[10] This man, one-half of the filmmaking duo that made *Good Time* and *Uncut Gems*, plays the mayoral candidate Joel Wachs ("**wax**") in the film's second half.

ANSWER: Benny **Safdie** (**SAF-dee**) [or Benjamin **Safdie**; accept (**the**) **Safdie** Brothers] <Vopava>

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16. This show was a proper TV series from 1989 to 2009, after which it morphed into a series of semi-regular one-off specials. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this musical series, which produced two different Album of the Year Grammy awards in the 1990s, for Tony Bennett and for noted crackpot Eric Clapton.

ANSWER: **MTV Unplugged**

[10] This English pop band recorded MTV's latest *Unplugged* special in December 2021, with a set that included a bouncy rendition of "Happier" and a piano-led version of "Pompeii."

ANSWER: **Bastille**

[10] Among the 12 artists who did MTV's *Unplugged at Home* series in 2020 is this producer and songwriter of "I Lost a Friend" and "What They'll Say About Us" who has an extremely successful younger sister.

ANSWER: **FINNEAS** ("FIN"-ee-iss) [or **Finneas** (Baird) O'Connell; prompt on **O'Connell**] [His sister is Billie Eilish.]

<Vopava>

17. In 2021 this man watched one episode from all of *Saturday Night Live*'s 46 seasons to refute the claim that "SNL hasn't been good since the '90s." For 10 points each:

[10] Name this YouTuber known for his commentary videos, including ones where he buys every dumb thing advertised to him on Instagram. He did several collab videos with Danny Gonzalez, the YouTuber he moved in with in 2019 and kinda resembles.

ANSWER: Drew **Gooden**

[10] Gooden and Gonzalez met in 2016 during the heyday of this pre-TikTok app whose videos capped at six seconds.

ANSWER: **Vine**

[10] To this day, Gooden may be best known for his Vine in which he replies, "Uh, yeah, I sure *hope* it does" after reading this phrase on a highway sign.

ANSWER: **Road Work Ahead** <Vopava>

18. The 1980 critically acclaimed debut album of the punk band X is titled for this location. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this location, which also titles a Sugarcult song in which the speaker longs for a "a car, car that won't break down in the heat" of the title location.

ANSWER: **Los Angeles** [accept **L.A.**]

[10] A 1993 song titled "Los Angeles" was the first solo single by Frank Black, the frontman of this alt-rock band known for its "loud-quiet-loud" motifs. Their song "Where is My Mind?" from their album *Surfer Rosa* featured prominently in the film *Fight Club*.

ANSWER: **Pixies**

[10] 2008's *Saints of Los Angeles* is the most recent album by this metal band behind the 1989 album *Dr. Feelgood*, which spawned the hits "Kickstart My Heart" and "Girls Girls Girls."

ANSWER: **Mötley Crüe** <Weiner>

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19. For 10 points each, answer the following about horror films that were billed as the final installments in their series but were definitely not:

[10] This slasher franchise has released two different so-called "final films" that *both* received sequels.

Contrary to popular belief, its villain does not don a hockey mask until its third entry.

ANSWER: ***Friday the 13th*** [accept ***Friday the 13th Part III***, ***Friday the 13th: The Final Chapter***]

[10] Initially subtitled "3D," the seventh movie in this James Wan horror franchise was dubbed "The Final Chapter" in later releases. This series, which actually has *nine* films, features the killer Jigsaw.

ANSWER: ***Saw*** [accept ***Saw 3D*** or ***Saw: The Final Chapter***]

[10] Despite getting a "Final Chapter" in 2016, this film series returned in 2021 with a film co-starring Kaya Scodelario and Robbie Amell as members of the Redfield family.

ANSWER: ***Resident Evil*** [accept ***Resident Evil: Welcome to Raccoon City***] <Weiner>

20. An extremely untimely fall by Mike Hughes allowed this receiver to be wide open for his fourth touchdown catch of a 2022 playoff game. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this player who also accumulated over 200 yards in a heartbreaking Divisional Round loss in the 2022 NFL playoffs.

ANSWER: Gabriel **Davis** [or Gabe **Davis**]

[10] Despite the performance of Davis and quarterback Josh Allen, this AFC team based in New York fell short in that game against the Chiefs, in large part due to the cruelty that is the NFL's overtime rules.

ANSWER: **Buffalo Bills** [accept either]

[10] In the regular season, Davis ranked just fifth in receiving yards among Bills players, well behind this leading receiver who joined the team after a messy exit from the Vikings.

ANSWER: Stefon (Mar'sean) **Diggs** <Nelson>