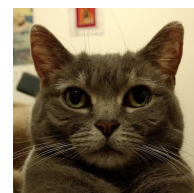


## Chicago Open Trash 2022: RIP to a Real One by Rob Carson, Carsten Gehring, and Andrew Hart Round 5: Tossups



1. Footage shot for the 2011 Nathan Lang documentary *God in the Box* shows this man explaining the “difference” between God and Jesus as “a heavenly father that I see as more of the old man with the gray hair, the long beard, and then Jesus as the younger man of the two” as he attempts to draw a pencil sketch of an enthroned God. This man’s quote “first things first, I’ve got to thank my Lord and Savior up above” in a national TV interview inspired the name of his First Things First Foundation. A movie about this man dramatizes how he went “all in” by marrying his wife and adopting her strong faith after her parents were killed in an Arkansas tornado. The follow-up to 2018’s *I Can Only Imagine*, a biopic about Christian singer Bart Millard by the (\*) Erwin brothers, was a 2021 biopic in which Zachary Levi played this man and Dennis Quaid played Dick Vermeil (ver-MEEL). *American Underdog* is a movie about, for 10 points, what devout Christian’s rise from Hy-Vee grocery bagger to MVP quarterback for the “Greatest Show on Turf” St. Louis Rams?

ANSWER: Kurt **Warner** [or Kurtis Eugene **Warner**]

<Andrew Hart, Sports (Football)>

2. Brent DiCrescenzo’s *Pitchfork* review of this album, which closes by noting “the Jheri curl of insincerity . . . never straightens,” is framed as a narrative about assembling CDs on a kibbutz in “Metulla, Israel.” A Chris Manners-esque anguished man in a shower features in the video for this album’s third single, which describes an experience that “comes alive” and “takes me away.” Lines like “you live it or lie it” and “my lifestyle determines my death style” are repeated in this album’s opening song, whose title word is followed by “tick, tick, tick, tick, tick tock.” A Ludwig Vistalite Blue with the snares off was responsible for the (\*) widely panned drum sound on this album, which featured producer Bob Rock on bass due to the departure of Jason Newsted. A figure “around my neck” is described in the title track of this album, whose recording was depicted in the film *Some Kind of Monster*. A cord wraps around a clenched red fist on the cover of, for 10 points, what 2003 Metallica album?

ANSWER: **St. Anger** [The songs in the second and third sentences are “The Unnamed Feeling” and “Frantic.”]

<Rob Carson, Music (Rock)>

**3. At the end of this film, a character uses a lighter to reveal a message written in invisible ink before various characters turn in unison to watch a woman on a balcony drink from a mug emblazoned with the words “my house, my rules, my coffee!” A character in this film describes “truffle pigs,” who “rifle and root,” in contrast to his method of following the “path of a projectile, determined by natural law,” in a conversation that includes the rejoinder, “Neither have I; nobody has,” to another character’s confession that she has never read (\*) *Gravity’s Rainbow*. The convoluted plot of this film, which includes the firebombing of a medical records center, involves the spoiled playboy Ransom’s attempts to frame a nurse who pukes every time she tells a lie with having administered a fatal dose of morphine. Michael Shannon, Chris Evans, and Jamie Lee Curtis play relatives of the mystery novelist Harlan Thrombey in, for 10 points, what 2019 ensemble murder mystery that stars Daniel Craig as a detective with a thick southern accent?**

**ANSWER: Knives Out**

<Andrew Hart, Film (2000s-Present)>

**4. Mark Ruffalo excitedly revealed that he worked at this restaurant in a 2020 episode of *The Graham Norton Show* in which David Schwimmer revealed that he jumped over children for tips while working at this restaurant for his first job. According to this restaurant’s official lore, it remained closed until 2021 following the 2015 closure of its original location in River North while its founder and namesake struggled to prove that he really did sell the “world’s smallest sundae.” This restaurant, which used to be a chain with locations in L.A. and Las Vegas, has a similar but less extreme dining experience as another establishment in the same city called the (\*) Wieners Circle. The slogan “if you like what you’re eatin’, order more; if you don’t, there’s the door” is used by this restaurant, which customarily gives patrons paper hats and a “side of sass.” For 10 points, what Chicago restaurant styled as a 1950s diner has waiters who are comically rude to customers?**

**ANSWER: Ed Debevic’s**

<Andrew Hart, Other/Miscellaneous>

**5. On a TV show named for this person, Petra and Cat were reunited with Linda in a hotel in Venice a few episodes after Linda had voluntarily left the show, which she went on to win. Another show named for this person was forced to eliminate a contestant named Caroline almost immediately because she had followed Steven McBee on Instagram. An earlier show named for this person had a contestant revealed by *The Smoking Gun* to have starred in a number of bondage fetish films to pay for law school; that contestant on a show named for this person also took part in the (\*) “slurp heard round the world” when producers of the show edited in sexually suggestive sounds over footage of two people going into the woods. David Smith met 14 European women while playing the second version of this person, whose original incarnation was construction worker Evan Marriott. For 10 points, identify this namesake of a Fox reality show in which, prior to its 2022 reboot, women competed for the affection of a fake rich man.**

**ANSWER: Joe Millionaire [accept *The Next Joe Millionaire: An International Affair* or Joe Millionaire: For Richer or Poorer; prompt on “Joe” or “Millionaire”]**

<Carsten Gehring, TV (1990s)>

**6. This song, which was written by Jack Tillar, was popularized by Dave Fleischer, whose brother invented a “bouncing ball” animation to accompany the lyrics of songs. This song is parodied with lyrics that suggest following rules such as “don’t pull your penis out unless you really need to” before the parody is interrupted by a performance of Mastodon’s “Cut You Up with a Linoleum Knife” in the *Aqua Teen Hunger Force* movie. In *The LEGO Movie 2*, a brief rendition of this song is interrupted when Unikitty appears and takes a bite out of one of the performers. This song, which is sung by the Filmack Chorus in what is likely the most-viewed (\*) “snipe,” is sung to the tune of “The Bear Went over the Mountain” and contains lyrics about “delicious things to eat,” such as “popcorn” that “can’t be beat.” For 10 points, in an animated short that is often played in theaters, what song suggests venturing to the title place to “get ourselves a treat”?**

**ANSWER: “Let’s All Go to the Lobby”**

<Andrew Hart, Music (Other/Mixed)>

**7. A person working in this location is shocked to see a coworker give a thumbs-up to someone else, declaring, “You think you know someone, and then they cheat on you with their thumb.” A person who is new to this location learns the hard way about “reversy toilet,” a toilet that shoots water straight up. Multiple people come early every morning to this location to watch *Action News* with Jim Gardner. A TikTok video following the same strategy for “how they make Pixar movies” successfully gets all the items on (\*) Barbara Howard’s wish list sent to this location. In a TV show’s pilot episode, a man who “doesn’t got a name” brings stolen rugs with the Eagles logo on them to this location. Gregory Eddie, played by Tyler James Williams, nearly got a better job at this location before coming to it as a sub, and he is often preyed upon by Ava Coleman, this school’s principal. For 10 points, name this school where Janine Teagues teaches in Philadelphia in a show created by Quinta Brunson for ABC.**

**ANSWER: Abbott Elementary [or Willard R. Abbott Public School]**

<Carsten Gehring, TV (2000s-present)>

**8. In a deposition in a lawsuit concerning copyright infringement over this character, his creator bemusedly wondered whether the attorney meant Mayor McCheese and not Grimace in response to a question of whether burger-headed men were copies of McDonald’s intellectual property. *The Nib* published a three-panel strip of this character’s funeral, in which one of his friends “pours one out” directly onto his face in an open coffin. This character first appeared in the series *Playtime* and became popular in a series in which he was the “little brother” figure in a friend group that included Andy and Brett. A panel in which this character explains to Land (\*) Wolf why he urinates with his pants and underwear all the way down to his ankles coined a popular slogan that first gained traction on weightlifting message boards. The documentary *Feels Good Man* chronicles the second life of this character from *Boy’s Club* who was created by Matt Furie. For 10 points, name this cartoon frog who became the subject of countless 4chan memes.**

**ANSWER: Pepe the Frog**

<Andrew Hart, Comic Strips>

**9. A committee of this institution contemplates an “imaginative” essay in which a character highlights experience discussing “very important issues,” such as the maintenance staff switching the toilet paper from Charmin to generic. This institution is said to be for “people who are boring and ugly and serious,” unlike a character who was “first runner-up at the Miss Hawaiian Tropics contest.” A character describes how she will plan a “great mixer,” like a “luau or maybe a casino night,” after responding, “What, like it’s hard?” when asked about going to this institution. At the end of a film, a character quotes Aristotle defining a term as (\*) “reason free from passion” after spending three years at this institution, where that character was admitted after “hiring a Coppola” to create a “video essay” that begins with her in a hot tub. The chihuahua Bruiser accompanies Elle Woods to, for 10 points, what prestigious professional school in the film *Legally Blonde*?**

**ANSWER: Harvard Law School [prompt on “Harvard” or “law school”]**

<Andrew Hart, Film (1980s-1990s)>

**10. This man’s double was the only hit allowed over three innings when Satchel Paige made his final career appearance in 1965, at age 59. In this man’s best season, he went 7 for 8 in a season-concluding, pennant-deciding two-game series against the Twins, wrapping up what was, according to Baseball Reference, the only 12+ WAR season not in the 1920s. This player’s unorthodox batting stance, in which he held the bat almost vertically, worked well enough to get him the most hits of any player never to have 200+ hits in a season. This man, who had 18 all-star seasons and is second all time in games played, is, with Brooks Robinson, one of two players to play 23 seasons for only one non-relocating team. In the “year of the (\*) pitcher,” 1968, this man was the only qualifying AL player to hit over .300 (“three hundred”). Before Miguel Cabrera’s 2012 season, this man’s MVP season in 1967 made him the last triple-crown hitter. In the 1960s and 1970s, caroms off the Green Monster were fielded by, for 10 points, what Red Sox left fielder nicknamed “Yaz”?**

**ANSWER: Carl Yastrzemski (yah-STREM-skee) [or Carl Michael Yastrzemski; prompt on “Yaz” before “Yaz”]**

<Andrew Hart, Sports (Baseball)>

**11. One of the original hosts of this show called it “curiously prophetic” despite being “unquestionably one of the worst turkeys ever seen on an American network” and agreed with critic Tom Shales’s initial assessment of this show as like “being trapped for an hour at the supermarket checkout counter.” The first episode of this show had a bizarre segment in which a chorus of three Mr. Peanut look-alikes and matronly personifications of the Moon and a U.S. state accompany a performance of “Georgia on My Mind” by a claymation Jimmy Carter. *Esquire* editor Harold Hayes and *The Shock of the New* art critic Robert Hughes were almost immediately replaced as hosts of this show with Hugh Downs. This (\*) Friday evening show was created by a network exec who, a year later, created a daily late-night news program to track the Iran hostage crisis. Roone Arledge created both *Nightline* and this show whose main competitors are *Dateline NBC* and *60 Minutes*. For 10 points, what weekly ABC newsmagazine has included segments from Diane Sawyer and Barbara Walters?**

**ANSWER: 20/20**

<Andrew Hart, TV (Pre-1990s)>

**12. Genius commenters on a song of this title theorize that a line about a “trollin’ ass” who is told “we shot your homie” refers to either NBA Ben10 or Lul Timm. In that song of this title, the lead artist claims “I think my house is haunted” by “the ghost of Pookie” after the chorus, in which the featured artist declares, “Always drank an 8th of Act’, I never drunk a cooler.” A pose that Wikipedia compares to *The Oath of the Horatii* ends the giant-amphora-filled, *Hercules*-inspired video for a song that shares this title with a 2022 hit for (\*) Lil Durk and Gucci Mane. The lead rapper on a 2021 song of this title laments about “reading shit on the internet” about her “smoothie cleanse” and declares, “If you thought that I was ratchet with my ass hangin’ out, just wait until the summer when they let me out the house.” For 10 points, that collaboration between Cardi B and Lizzo essentially shares what one-word title with a 1977 Fleetwood Mac album?**

ANSWER: “**Rumors**” [accept **Rumours**]  
<Rob Carson, Music (Hip-Hop/R&B/Soul)>

**13. This man’s accomplishments are listed on a plaque accompanying a 14-foot-tall nude sculpture by Eric Fischl titled *Soul in Flight*. This man eliminated 52-year-old Frank Parker en route to winning a tournament whose \$14,000 first prize went to runner-up Tom Okker because this man was still an amateur. After his retirement, this man spent six years working with researchers on the history book *A Hard Road to Glory*. Jimmy Connors dropped his libel lawsuit against this first-ever (\*) ATP Player of the Year after he upset Connors in the 1975 Wimbledon final. He publicly criticized Ilie Năstase’s (EE-lee-uh nah-STAH-say’s) lack of etiquette after losing to him in the 1972 U.S. Open, four years after he won the first Open-era instance of that tournament. A new stadium at Flushing Meadows Park named for this man opened in 1997, four years after his death due to blood transfusion–contracted HIV. The current home of the U.S. Open is named for, for 10 points, what pioneering Black tennis player?**

ANSWER: Arthur **Ashe** [or Arthur Robert **Ashe** Jr.]  
<Rob Carson, Sports (Other)>

**14. A film titled for this idea credits its inspiration to a 1995 book by Graham Hancock that, in turn, discussed this idea in the writings of Michael Coe. This idea gained its highest level of specificity after editor Robert J. Sharer revised the appendices of the fourth edition of the scholar Sylvanus Morley’s last major work. This idea grew in popularity after the development of “novelty theory,” which was proposed after the “Timewave Zero” software program was used to analyze a sequence from the *I Ching*. After examining the use of psychedelic drugs in *Cracking Open the Head*, Daniel Pinchbeck’s next book was titled for this idea, which he traced through the writings of such new-age authors as John Major Jenkins, Jose Arguelles, and Terence McKenna. This idea is based on an interpretation of the (\*) “13th baktun” in the *Dresden Codex*. A Roland Emmerich disaster film starring John Cusack is titled after, for 10 points, what idea involving the Mayan calendar that was falsified about ten years ago?**

ANSWER: **2012** phenomenon [accept any answer indicating the end of the world on (December 21) **2012** or a major world-historical event occurring in **2012** or anything involving the Mayan calendar and **2012**; prompt on less-specific answers involving “Mayan calendar” or “apocalypse” or similar]  
<Andrew Hart, Other/Miscellaneous>

15. Geoff Dyer's review of this film for *The Guardian* quotes E. M. Cioran on being drawn to write about "the great mystics" who "lived a life more intense than others" in between discussing how this film's main character eats vegetables out of a frying pan with a spatula and citing the 2014 film *Valley Uprising* for context. This film's main character buys a condo in Las Vegas with his girlfriend, Sanni McCandless, whom he met on a book tour and nearly broke up with after her lack of attention caused him to injure his back. In this film, neuroscientist Jane Joseph subjects the main character to an fMRI ("F-M-R-I") and tells him that he has an unusually inactive amygdala. Before the climactic scenes of this film, which begin in the early morning of June 3, (\*) 2017, the filmmakers worry about the possibility of capturing its subject's death on a route called "Freerider." Elizabeth Chai Vasarhelyi and Jimmy Chin directed, for 10 points, what 2018 Best Documentary Oscar winner that shows Alex Honnold's ascent of El Capitan without ropes or harnesses?

ANSWER: Free Solo

<Andrew Hart, Film (2000s-Present)>

16. A character played by this actor strains his relationship with his girlfriend, Shannon, by accidentally calling her Jill while they are trying to get out of a James Bond-themed escape room. Another character played by this actor forestalls a commercial break by revealing his "cloggin' shoes" and launches into a duet in which "runnin' through the house with a pickle in my mouth" is an example of the title "misbehavin'." In a series finale, an incarcerated character played by this actor speaks over a prison phone and tells a law-enforcement agent that "we dug coal together." In a show that was canceled in 2021, this actor played the owner of a landscape business whose best friend, an HR specialist, was played by Rob (\*) Corddry. This actor, who played former gospel child star Baby Billy Freeman on *The Righteous Gemstones*, played a bank robber and born-again preacher in an FX show that starred Timothy Olyphant as an unhinged U.S. marshal. CBS's *The Unicorn* starred, for 10 points, what actor, who played Boyd Crowder on *Justified*?

ANSWER: Walton Goggins [or Walton Sanders Goggins Jr.]

<Andrew Hart, TV (2000s-present)>

17. This is the first word in the title of a song whose chorus opens, "Feel the energy surge through my veins when I flow; mentally, I can never be controlled"; this word begins the title of that 2017 collaboration between ScHoolboy Q and Joey Bada\$\$\$. The reassurance "angels surround you, just dry your eye" ends a song with this title about a woman who "got a six-year-old" and is "trying to keep him warm," which was the 2016 U.K. Christmas number one. This is the most common word in the lyrics of the first single from the album *Soul's Core*; that song, which is *not* titled for this word, describes a girl who "grew up with the children of the stars in the (\*) Hollywood Hills and the boulevard." Sean Paul and Anne-Marie appear on a Clean Bandit song titled for this word, which is repeated after the line "everything's gonna be all right" in a Shawn Mullins song that is actually titled "Lullaby." For 10 points, in a nursery rhyme, what word precedes "baby, on the treetop"?

ANSWER: rockabye [accept "Rockabye Baby"; do not accept or prompt on "lullaby"]

<Rob Carson, Music (Pop)>

**18. While reporting on “a complex and rapidly evolving story” regarding this man, Isaac Lowenkron recalled “manually refreshing” his Twitter “literally every second” and being surprised at not spraining his index finger. In an interview with Nicole Zaloumis, a man asked if there is an F-minus when grading a team’s offseason following the team failing to re-sign this man. During an event focused on this man, a tweeted emoji meant to symbolize another person traveling to Las Vegas for his girlfriend’s birthday was misunderstood and responded to with a tweet of (\*) plane, helicopter, and car emoji. Chris Broussard reported a billionaire was “driving around downtown Houston” trying to get this man’s address on a night when another person posted a picture inside this man’s house of a chair blocking the front door. For 10 points, name this NBA player who reneged on his 2015 verbal agreement to sign with the Dallas Mavericks and instead rejoined his Lob City teammates Chris Paul and Blake Griffin.**

ANSWER: DeAndre Jordan [or Hyland DeAndre Jordan Jr.]

<Carsten Gehring, Sports (Basketball)>

**19. A game partly titled for this place, in which the player searches Carceron prison for William Flockheart’s treasure, is the third entry in a series of skeezy Marvelous Entertainment action RPGs that no one played because they were released only for PSP and PS Vita. The crashed Pelican dropship Victor 398 can be found in the *Halo 3* multiplayer map named for this place, which is based on Blood Gulch. Powdered Delta and Bronson Extract are among the ingredients that can be mixed into drinks by Jill in a (\*) “cyberpunk bartender action” game whose title is based on the name of this place. *The Siege of Paris* and *Wrath of the Druids* are expansions to a game partly titled for this place in which the settlement Ravensthorpe is founded by a member of the Hidden Ones who fights the Order of the Ancients, led by Aelfred of Wessex. For 10 points, the *Assassin’s Creed* game starring Eivor Varinsdottir is titled for what building where Odin leads feasts?**

ANSWER: Valhalla [accept Valhalla Knights 3 or VA-11 HALL-A or Assassin’s Creed Valhalla]

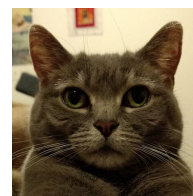
<Rob Carson, Video Games>

**20. A film titled for this character ends with a street preacher played by Martin Landau throwing himself in front of a truck after this character refuses to wait until after polls close on a referendum to arrest him. The question “you got a roof?” prompts this character to respond, “No, I’ll find a motel,” which makes the mechanic Jess break into laughter and pick up his bag. Novelist John Ball created this character, whose continued presence is demanded by the wife of industrialist Phillip Colbert (KOHL-burt) after this character determines that a blow struck from “an angle of (\*) 17 degrees to the right” could not have been the work of the left-handed Harvey Oberst. This character storms out of a greenhouse after trading backhand slaps with the plantation owner Endicott. The iconic five-word answer to a question posed by the Rod Steiger–portrayed police chief of Sparta, Mississippi, ends with the name of, for 10 points, what Philadelphia detective played by Sidney Poitier in the film *In the Heat of the Night*?**

ANSWER: Virgil Tibbs [accept either underlined portion; accept Mr. Tibbs or They Call Me Mister Tibbs!]

<Rob Carson, Film (Pre-1980s)>

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1. Pranks targeting this reality star, including pretending his Chrysler Imperial had been sold to become a “cheetah-interior lowrider” and hooking up a half dozen Mickey Mouse phones on his desk, were re-aired in the episode “A Treasure Remembered,” a season 15 clip show that ran following his 2018 death from Parkinson’s disease. For 10 points each:

[10] Identify by surname or nickname this Navy veteran, the father of Rick and grandfather of Corey on *Pawn Stars*.

ANSWER: The **Old Man** [or Richard Benjamin **Harrison** Jr.; accept The **Appraiser**]

[10] *Pawn Stars* aired on this A&E-owned cable channel that has also aired many shows about ancient aliens.

ANSWER: **History** [or **History** Channel]

[10] Fan favorite *Pawn Star* appraiser Rebecca Romney is an expert in the history and value of these items. Romney appeared in a Parker Posey–narrated 2019 documentary about sellers of these items, such as New York’s Bass family.

ANSWER: **books** [accept answers indicating rare **books** or **manuscripts**]

<Andrew Hart, TV (2000s-present)>

2. This policy, whose proximate cause was Larry Brown’s “embarrassment” at a 2004 Team USA dinner, resulted in LeBron James consulting with Rachel Johnson and Carmelo Anthony consulting with Khalilah Beavers. For 10 points each:

[10] Identify this policy that the NBA instituted in 2005 in what was widely viewed as an attempt to boost the league’s image in the wake of the Malice in the Palace.

ANSWER: NBA **dress code** [accept answers indicating **rules** about the **clothing** that players wear]

[10] This Hall of Fame scoring guard for the 76ers, whose cornrows, do-rags, and baggy shorts defined the NBA aesthetic of the late 1990s and early 2000s, argued that David Stern’s NBA dress code was targeting “my generation, the hip-hop generation.”

ANSWER: Allen **Iverson** [or Allen Ezail **Iverson**; prompt on “**A.I.**”]

[10] This man praised the new dress code, claiming that players had been “dressing in prison garb the last five or six years” and characterizing players’ clothing as “gangster, thuggery stuff.” Over a decade later, this man earned the ire of basically the entire NBA for calling LeBron James’s business associates a “posse.”

ANSWER: Phil **Jackson** [or Philip Douglas **Jackson**]

<Andrew Hart, Sports (Basketball)>



3. John Carr's "magical twisting powder" was applied to these objects, which were modified to include a leather feature by François Mingaud (frahn-SWAH min-YOHD), who at the time was in prison for his involvement in the *Chouannerie* (shwah-nuh-REE). For 10 points each:

[10] Name these objects. Highly prized examples of them were made from Burton Spain and Gus Szamboti blanks by the so-called "Stradivarius" of their makers, George Balabushka.

ANSWER: **cue** stick(s) or **cues** [accept answers including words such as "pool" or "billiards" or "snooker"]

[10] Balabushka cues spiked in value after they were featured in this 1986 film, in which one is given to the Tom Cruise–portrayed Vincent Lauria by "Fast Eddie" Felson. This Martin Scorsese film is a sequel to *The Hustler*.

ANSWER: *The **Color of Money***

[10] In both *The Hustler* and *The Color of Money*, Fast Eddie was portrayed by this actor and salad dressing mogul who also played the title character in *Cool Hand Luke*.

ANSWER: Paul **Newman** [or Paul (Leonard) **Newman**]

<Rob Carson, Film (1980s-1990s)>

4. Featured artist André 3000 remarks, "I'm building y'all a clock, stop, what am I, Hemingway?" on a song from this album that rhymes the line "close my eyes and fall into you, you, you" with the line "cotton candy, Majin (MAH-zhin) Buu-uu-uu." For 10 points each:

[10] Name this 2012 R&B album that includes the aforementioned "Pink Matters" as well as such tracks as "Super Rich Kids" and "Pyramids."

ANSWER: **Channel Orange**

[10] This onetime member of Odd Future, who followed up his 2016 visual album *Endless* by self-releasing his album *Blonde* a day later, recorded *Channel Orange*.

ANSWER: Frank **Ocean** [accept Christopher Francis **Ocean** or Christopher Francis **Breaux**]

[10] Another song from *Channel Orange* that uses an extended metaphor to describe a woman's vagina claims "I grew up in" this place and praises its "pink skies." Another song titled for this place notes, "If your stripper name Porsche and you get tips from many men, then your fat friend, her nickname is Minivan."

ANSWER: **Sierra Leone** [or Republic of **Sierra Leone**; accept "**Diamonds from Sierra Leone**"]

<Rob Carson, Music (Pop)>

5. Eileen Mullin founded a series of annual awards named for this word, whose Best Game award has gone to such excellent titles as Jeremy Freese's *Violet* and Admiral Jota's *Lost Pig*. For 10 points each:

[10] Give this magic word that teleports players back to the well house in *Colossal Cave Adventure*. In *Zork*, it elicits only the response "a hollow voice says, 'Fool.'"

ANSWER: **xyzzzy** ("X-Y-Z-Z-Y" or "zizzy") [accept **XYZZY** Awards]

[10] Typing "xyzzzy," shift, and enter in older Windows versions of this game causes the upper-leftmost pixel of the entire screen to change colors depending on whether the grid square under the player's mouse pointer contains one of the namesake hazards or not.

ANSWER: **Minesweeper**

[10] The command "xyzzzy" gives the player an Easter egg recipe in *Savoir Faire*, an XYZZY Best Game Award winner by this woman, who also won for 2012's *Counterfeit Monkey*. This wife of Inform creator Graham Nelson had early success with 2000's *Galatea*.

ANSWER: Emily **Short**

<Rob Carson, Video Games>

6. When Vinny Testaverde ruptured his Achilles tendon in a 1999 game, this punter was forced to play quarterback for three quarters because Bill Parcells had only emergency quarterback Rick Mirer (MY-rur) as a backup. For 10 points each:

[10] Identify this player who started his NFL career as a quarterback for the Cardinals in 1988 and then bounced around as a punter, earning a Pro Bowl invitation as a member of the Jets in 1999.

ANSWER: Tom **Tupa** [or Thomas Joseph **Tupa** Jr.]

[10] In 1994 as a member of the Browns, Tupa achieved immortal fame by becoming the first NFL player to score points from this type of play, which he then did two more times that season.

ANSWER: **two-point conversion** [or **two-point convert**; prompt on “two-point play”]

[10] Before his NFL career, Tupa also proved his sports virility by once winning this contest put on by the NFL for youths. There is video evidence of 13-year-old Andy Reid dwarfing his puny competition at one of these events during a 1971 Monday Night Football game.

ANSWER: **Punt, Pass, and Kick** competition [or **PP&K** competition]

<Carsten Gehring, Sports (Football)>

7. This author describes two encounters with a balding doppelgänger of an American novelist he calls a “Frustrated Franzen” in an essay on San Francisco coffee shops titled “Coffee as Existential Statement.” For 10 points each:

[10] Name this former student of James Wood who mused on the fact that fast food restaurants play classical music to ward off the homeless in his essay “Bach at the Burger King,” published in 2018 in the *Los Angeles Review of Books*.

ANSWER: Theodore **Gioia** [or Ted **Gioia**; or Theodore Jasper **Gioia**]

[10] In the comments to “Bach at the Burger King,” a man purporting to be a family relation claimed that one of Gioia’s uncles, evidently jazz critic Ted Gioia, “pioneered the weaponization of music back in the ’70s” by blasting this patriotic song by Staff Sergeant Barry Sadler from his roof to break up a nearby pool party.

ANSWER: “The **Ballad of the Green Berets**”

[10] A link to Gioia’s “Bach at the Burger King” was sent out by this legendary Twitter account, whose greatest hits include asking “is there nothing celebratory and joyful” about ISIS, claiming a photoshop showing a hunter over the dead body of a triceratops was “barbaric,” and musing that “‘cat food’ in China actually is.”

ANSWER: Joyce Carol **Oates**’s Twitter [or @**JoyceCarolOates**]

<Andrew Hart, Other/Miscellaneous>

8. To evade two state security agents, five characters sneak out of concrete bleachers during a performance of this sport and, abandoning a rented Cadillac filled with smuggled arms, take taxis to a museum that was formerly a royal palace. For 10 points each:

[10] The heist of the sultan’s dagger in the film *Topkapi* takes place after the thieves sneak away from a performance of what sport?

ANSWER: Turkish **oil wrestling** [or Turkish **grease wrestling**; or **yağlı güres**; accept answers indicating **wrestling** or **combat** where participants are slathered in olive **oil**; prompt on “**wrestling**” or “**Turkish wrestling**” or similar answers]

[10] In *Topkapi*, the strongman Hans gets his hands slammed into a door by a drunken Turkish chef, requiring the thieves to bring hapless bozo Simon Simpson, played by this actor, into their plot. He won the Best Supporting Actor Oscar for the performance, several years after he was nominated for the same award for playing Nero in *Quo Vadis*.

ANSWER: Peter **Ustinov** [or Peter Alexander **Ustinov**]

[10] Walter Harper, the handsome Swiss gentleman thief in *Topkapi*, was played by Maximilian Schell, who won an Oscar three years earlier for playing a defense attorney in a film dramatizing the “Judges’ Trial” segment of these legal proceedings against Nazi officers.

ANSWER: **Nuremberg** trials [accept **Judgment at Nuremberg**]

<Andrew Hart, Film (Pre-1980s)>

9. Answer the following about objects that are thrown all the way around the world and possibly hit their throwers on the backs of their heads, for 10 points each.

[10] A football that can be thrown all the way around the world is an “artifact tracker” on this SyFy series that stars Eddie McClintock and Joanne Kelly as Secret Service agents attempting to track down supernatural objects and store them in a top-secret South Dakota holding facility.

ANSWER: **Warehouse 13**

[10] In the Belgian animated film *The Twelve Tasks of Asterix*, this very strong friend of Asterix throws a spear so hard that it enters a stable orbit that perpetually chases the Persian warrior Verses.

ANSWER: **Obelix**

[10] This J. K. Simmons–voiced character and his son, Mark, play catch by floating in the air and throwing the ball around the world to each other while having a very serious conversation about superhero responsibilities in an episode of an Amazon Prime series that debuted in 2021.

ANSWER: **Omni-Man** [or **Nolan Grayson**; accept any underlined portion]

<Andrew Hart, TV (2000s-present)>

10. A DJ whose stage name included this title was an influential early proponent of “turntablism” as a founding member of Invisibl Skratch Piklz with DJ Qbert and DJ Apollo. For 10 points each:

[10] Identify this term that precedes “Mike” in the stage name of that man, now the Beastie Boys’ resident DJ, who is not to be confused with a cosmological model proposed by Charles Misner.

ANSWER: **Mix Master** [or **Mixmaster**; accept **Mix Master** Mike or **mixmaster** universe]

[10] Mixmaster Morris’s claim that “it’s time to lie down and be counted” was an attempt to explain the ethos of a style of atmospheric music pioneered by this British artist’s album *Music for Airports*.

ANSWER: Brian **Eno** [or Brian Peter George St. John le Baptiste de la Salle **Eno**]

[10] Mixmaster Spade was an influential early DJ in this neighborhood of Los Angeles, whose name appears in the title of N.W.A.’s debut album.

ANSWER: **Compton** [accept **Compton** Posse or **Straight outta Compton**]

<Andrew Hart, Music (Hip-Hop/R&B/Soul)>

11. This TV show was part of the original NBC Saturday night lineup billed as the “Thrilllogy” along with *Dark Skies* and *Profiler*. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this TV show in which Michael T. Weiss played Jarod, a genius who escapes The Centre and uses his genetic ability to perform any task to help punish criminals while searching for information about his family.

ANSWER: *The* **Pretender**

[10] In *The Pretender*, Jarod evades a “Miss” with this surname, whose father runs The Centre.

Countess Vaughn and Mo’Nique starred as Kim and Nikki in a UPN series titled for this surname that was a spin-off from *Moesha*.

ANSWER: **Parker** [accept Miss **Parker** or Mr. **Parker** or Kim **Parker** or Nikki **Parker** or *The* **Parkers**]

[10] *Pretender* creators Steven Mitchell and Craig Van Sickle had earlier created a series with this name, in which the main character fittingly drove a Shelby American car of this name despite the TV show originally being called *Viper*. This word is also the first in the title of a more recent TV show named for the unethical dojo from *The Karate Kid*.

ANSWER: **cobra** [accept **Cobra Kai**]

<Carsten Gehring, TV (1990s)>

**12.** A lumberjack saws a log as this song plays during a scene that follows the protagonist shooting a man with a menacing clown face and stumbling through a room usually occupied by three humanoid rabbits. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this song that plays over a credits scene in which most of the dancers had previously appeared throughout the film as prostitutes in both Los Angeles and Lodz (woodge), Poland.

ANSWER: "**Sinner Man**"

[10] Nina Simone's "Sinner Man" plays during the credits scene of this highly experimental 2006 David Lynch film. It consists of about three hours of associative scenes nominally plotted around a pair of actors played by Justin Theroux and Laura Dern, who are starring in a film called *On High in Blue Tomorrows*.

ANSWER: **Inland Empire**

[10] In a 1999 film titled for this character's "affair," "Sinner Man" features in a scene in which this Pierce Brosnan–played character infiltrates the Metropolitan Museum of Art with an elaborate ruse involving men wearing bowler hats and carrying briefcases.

ANSWER: **Thomas Crown** [accept *The Thomas Crown Affair*]

<Andrew Hart, Film (2000s-Present)>

**13.** The first use of this slogan in its most common context was inspired by its creator seeing the lyrics to his song "Talkin' Hitler's Head Off Blues" in the *Daily Worker* newspaper. For 10 points each:

[10] Give this four-word slogan often painted or otherwise displayed on Woody Guthrie's guitars.

ANSWER: "**this machine kills fascists**"

[10] A song titled "This Machine Kills Fascists" is the second track on *Underground Network*, the breakthrough 2001 album by this punk band fronted by Justin Sane. Their 2003 album, *The Terror State*, features a cover of Guthrie's song "Post-War Breakout."

ANSWER: **Anti-Flag**

[10] Rob Baker's guitar bears the message "this machine kills fascists" in the video for "Bobcaygeon" (bob-KAY-jun), a song by this extremely Canadian band behind "Courage (for Hugh MacLennan)" and "Ahead by a Century." They officially disbanded after the 2017 death of lead singer Gord Downie.

ANSWER: The **Tragically Hip** [accept The **Hip**]

<Rob Carson, Music (Rock)>

**14.** A man who later wrote internationally best-selling thriller novels quit his job at the BBC to cover this war, which resulted in his writing the autobiography *Emeka* about one of the political leaders involved in it. For 10 points each:

[10] What conflict titles a "story" that was the first book published by the thriller novelist Frederick Forsyth?

ANSWER: **Biafran War** [or **Nigerian Civil War**; or Nigerian-**Biafran War**; accept *The Biafra Story*]

[10] After becoming disillusioned with war reporting in Biafra, Forsyth wrote this 1971 novel about a sniper hired by right-wing French militants to assassinate Charles de Gaulle. The Venezuelan assassin "Carlos" was nicknamed for this novel.

ANSWER: *The Day of the Jackal*

[10] Forsyth's time in Biafra inspired his 1974 novel, *The Dogs of War*, in which a group of mercenaries try to overthrow the government of a country very similar to this real-life country. Margaret Thatcher's son liked the plot of Forsyth's book so much that he tried to use it to overthrow the actual government of this country in 2004, failing miserably.

ANSWER: **Equatorial Guinea** [or **Guinea Ecuatorial**; or Republic of **Equatorial Guinea**; or República de **Guinea Ecuatorial**]

<Andrew Hart, Trash Lit>

**15.** A baseball coach claimed he was “good twice a year for” this action and regaled a stretching player with a story of doing it after going to the crab leg buffet at the Bellagio in Las Vegas and still making his tee time the next day. For 10 points each:

[10] At spring training in 2005, video inadvertently caught Royals coach George Brett telling an extended story about doing what action that culminated with him mentioning a “perfect double-taper” and asking “who are the pitchers in this game?”

ANSWER: **shitting his pants** [or **shitting himself**; accept answers indicating **pooping** or **defecating** or equivalents in one’s **pants** or on **himself**; prompt on answers that mention only “shitting” or equivalents]

[10] During the infamous George Brett pants-shitting video, this early departed Royals legend can briefly be seen on-screen. In 2005, this volatile Dominican pitcher, who claimed that it was his namesake “time” whenever he pitched, compiled probably the worst season for a starter in modern MLB history, going 5–16 (“five and sixteen”) with a 6.99 (“six ninety-nine”) ERA.

ANSWER: José **Lima** [or José Desiderio Rodríguez **Lima**]

[10] Brett’s ass had previously gotten him into trouble when hemorrhoids forced him to leave Game 2 of the 1980 World Series, a game won by this NL team behind the play of third baseman Mike Schmidt and starter Steve Carlton.

ANSWER: **Philadelphia Phillies** [accept either underlined portion]

<Andrew Hart, Sports (Baseball)>

**16.** As the image of an astronaut tumbling through space in front of diagrams of the planets transitions into disjointed images of a telescope, a robotic arm, a diagram of a gear, and a lightbulb containing a man’s face, a woman says a hopelessly vague statement about this scientific concept before saying “T-minus ten seconds.” For 10 points each:

[10] Name this scientific concept that “is a property of matter” according to the intro of a 1990s Disney educational show.

ANSWER: **inertia** [accept “**inertia** is a property of matter”]

[10] The phrase “inertia is a property of matter” appears between cultish chanting of this man’s name in the intro to that show, which bills him as “the science guy.”

ANSWER: Bill **Nye** [or William Sanford **Nye**; accept **Bill Nye the Science Guy**]

[10] Earlier in the intro, Nye is shown standing and holding a beaker, seemingly a part of this Rudolph Zallinger image commissioned for a volume in the *Life Nature Library* by Time-Life Books. Real scientists tend to believe this image misleadingly gives an orthogenetic impression.

ANSWER: **The March of Progress** [or **The Road to Homo Sapiens**; prompt on descriptive answers such as “the image showing evolutionary progress of humans” by saying “I need the exact name”]

<Andrew Hart, TV (1990s)>

**17.** Answer the following about British video game designers, for 10 points each.

[10] This absolute lunatic, whose studio 31X produced a mobile port of his game *Transport Tycoon*, coded almost the entirety of *Rollercoaster Tycoon* and *Rollercoaster Tycoon 2* himself, in x86 (“x eighty-six”) assembly language.

ANSWER: Chris **Sawyer** [or Christopher **Sawyer**]

[10] Extremely overrated auteur and designer of bad *Silent Hill* games Sam Barlow created this similarly overrated 2015 game, in which the player uses live-action video clips of police interviews with Hannah Smith to solve the case of her missing husband, Simon.

ANSWER: **Her Story**

[10] Retro Studios developer Mark Haigh-Hutchinson developed the camera system used in the three “first-person adventure” games that make up the *Prime* subseries of this larger Nintendo franchise starring Samus Aran.

ANSWER: **Metroid** [accept **Metroid Prime**]

<Rob Carson, Video Games>

**18.** This two-word phrase ends the title of a 2022 hit from the album *Stereotype* in which the singer falls for a girl singing karaoke who's "got the bar in the palm of her hand" and is "a '90s country fan, like I am." For 10 points each:

[10] That Cole Swindell song interpolates the 1996 debut single by Jo Dee Messina, in which what two-word phrase is the *first* of two outcomes proposed for an arbitrarily determined effort to "leave this one-horse town" for "somewhere greener, somewhere warmer"?

ANSWER: "**heads Carolina**" [accept "**She Had Me at Heads Carolina**"; prompt on "**Heads Carolina, Tails California**" by patronizingly asking "which two-word phrase is the first of those two two-word phrases?"]

[10] This singer of "Fire and Rain" asked, "Can't you see the sunshine? Now can't you just feel the moonshine?" in his song "Carolina in My Mind."

ANSWER: James **Taylor** [or James Vernon **Taylor**]

[10] This artist vowed, "I make a fist, I'll make it count," in the Appalachian folk-inspired "Carolina," a song she wrote for the 2022 film *Where the Crawdads Sing*. Her early country hits include "You Belong with Me" and "Love Story."

ANSWER: Taylor **Swift** [or Taylor Alison **Swift**]

<Rob Carson, Music (Other/Mixed)>

**19.** In a 2019 game against the Hurricanes, this player used his left foot to kick the stick out of Justin Williams's hand while maneuvering to the goal to score. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this Washington Capitals right winger whose career highlight is likely being selected five consecutive times to face Sergei Bobrovsky in a shootout at the 2014 Olympics; he scored on four of six attempts during the shootout, resulting in a Team USA win.

ANSWER: T. J. **Oshie** (OH-shee) [or Timothy Leif **Oshie**]

[10] Oshie played in high school in this small city in far northwestern Minnesota near the Lake of the Woods, which is nicknamed "Hockeytown, USA." Both of the Team USA men's gold medal rosters included Hall of Fame players from this city: Henry Boucha and Bill Christian in 1960 and Dave Christian in 1980.

ANSWER: **Warroad**, Minnesota

[10] The most recent hockey gold medalist from Warroad, Gigi Martin, scored in the conclusive shootout against Canada in the gold-medal match in Gangneung, a suburb of this South Korean city that hosted the 2018 Winter Olympics.

ANSWER: **Pyeongchang**

<Andrew Hart, Sports (Other)>

**20.** This line is stated shortly before Egor Korshunov's neck is broken by a parachute strap and is followed by a shot of Korshunov's body floating away lifelessly. For 10 points each:

[10] Identify this line shouted by President Jim Marshall after he successfully frees his wife from one of the Kazakh hijackers trying to get Ivan Radek freed.

ANSWER: "**get off my plane!**"

[10] This actor played President Jim Marshall in *Air Force One*. In the '90s, he also played CIA agent Jack Ryan in *Patriot Games* and *Clear and Present Danger*.

ANSWER: Harrison **Ford**

[10] In *Air Force One*, Defense Secretary Walter Dean incorrectly claims that he and not the vice president is in charge of military matters due to the president being taken hostage, which was inspired by this secretary of state's similar claim in 1981 after the attempted assassination of Ronald Reagan.

ANSWER: Alexander **Haig** [or Alexander Meigs **Haig** Jr.]

<Carsten Gehring, Film (1980s-1990s)>