

# TOEJAM - Round 2

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1. Description acceptable. In one game, this figure and Jimmy Shorts get into a lengthy argument about the abilities of Quasimodo and Abraham Lincoln. A 2019 rap video by Koder Brown prominently features this figure, who also features in made-to-order services sold via the website "Who Said What Now." Though it gained little traction, in 2018 Polygon reported on a Steam Workshop proposal to add this figure to *DotA 2*. The series that introduced this character unceremoniously removed him after the series' rights moved to (\*) Acclaim. A Sly and the Family Stone song inspired dialogue by this figure, who made appearances in spinoff series subtitled *Slugfest* and *Hitz*, as well as in a reboot of *Mutant League Football*. Tim Kitzrow portrayed, for 10 points, what unseen character whose catchphrases in a 1993 arcade game included "Boomshakalaka"?

ANSWER: the NBA Jam announcer [accept similarly descriptive answers like the NBA Jam guy or similar; accept Tim Kitzrow before he's mentioned]

2. Before Funkitron took over, this company published the first CD version of the gambling game *Slingo*. Players use magnets, ramps, and blocks to guide four types of balls to the exit in a collaboration between this publisher and Erno Rubik. After the dot-com bubble burst in 2001, Infogrames bought up this publisher, then finished and released its pending games. The platformer *Glover* was published by this company, which used the slogan-subtitle "He's Back!" for its blockbuster 1997 PC remake of (\*) *Frogger*. More recently, this company has released several *Family Game Night* releases, which are hosted by Mr. Potato Head. For 10 points, name this company that published official ports of *Monopoly*, *Clue*, and *Risk* by virtue of owning Parker Brothers.

ANSWER: Hasbro Interactive

3. The first arcade game made in this country, *Goindol*, combined *Breakout* with elements of pinball. A DS "dictionary" game exclusive to this country had its name changed following numerous objections to its original shortened title, *Touch Dic*. The brand name "Zemmix" was used for several MSX-based consoles in this country, where the Genesis was released under the name "Super Gam\*Boy" and the NES was released under the name "Comboy." In the 1990s, venues known as (\*) "bangs" began opening in this country, which eventually evolved into LAN centers. The early MMO *Nexus*, as well as *Ragnarok Online* and *MapleStory*, were all made by developers in this country. The NCSoft games *Lineage* and *Guild Wars* were made in, for 10 points, what country central to competitive *StarCraft*?

ANSWER: South Korea

4. Steven Sanders cites the biblical proverb "as iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another" to describe his encounter with this man. This man is the primary rival of Mr. Awesome, whose real name is Roy Schildt. This man was standing nearby during what was presented as a "board swap" in a piece of footage that Jeremy Young analyzed frame-by-frame to prove that an illegal MAME (\*) emulator was used in 2005 instead of an original cabinet, which led Twin Galaxies to invalidate this man's long-standing record in 2018. This man explains why he uses the three-letter call sign "USA" in a 2007 Seth Gordon documentary. For 10 points, name this now-disgraced video game cheater whom Steve Wiebe (WEE-bee) tried to best at *Donkey Kong* in the documentary *The King of Kong*

ANSWER: Billy Mitchell [or William James Mitchell Jr.]

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5. An officially licensed accessory for this game by the company Subpac is designed to be worn on players' backs. The popularity of this game required Steam to re-configure its "Lighthouse" technology, as this game's players routinely broke it. On April Fools' Day 2019, Noisestorm's "Crab Rave" was added to this game, from which it has never been removed. Jaroslav Beck created much of the audio heard in this game, whose most difficult content features (\*) Camellia. Objects seen in this game typically either feature a dot or an inward-pointing arrow, which indicates what direction, if any, they must be hit from. Quickly approaching red and blue blocks are destroyed by players of, for 10 points, what VR rhythm game in which the player wields a pair of light swords?

ANSWER: Beat Saber

6. In one game, this man takes up residence on the island of Bilefen, where he provides information about a dangerous cultist and the villain Purus the Decimator. A being pretending to be the spirit of this character turns out to be the Aspect of Hatred. In his first appearance, this character only reveals his real name and history with the Horadrim at the start of a quest to kill the (\*) Archbishop Lazarus. In the first act of a 2012 game, this character is mortally wounded in a showdown with the witch Maghda, after which he dies in front of his ward, Leah. In another game, this character must be rescued from the fiery ruins of Tristram, where Wirt's leg can also be retrieved. The phrase "Stay a while and listen" is frequently uttered by, for 10 points, what old guy who identifies things in the *Diablo* series?

ANSWER: Deckard Cain [accept either]

7. One of these devices appeared in the middle of the controller for Apple's failed Pippin console. A series by Incredible Technologies, formerly known as Free Radical Software, makes the most prominent series to currently use these devices. A rare modern arcade release to use these devices is the Midway multiplayer release *The Grid*. While Atari's 1978 game *Football* is often called the first game to use this device, its own developers note that they ripped it off from a Taito soccer game. (\*) *Rampart* is one of few arcade machines that contains exactly *three* of these devices. Before moving to buttons, early versions of *Track and Field* used one of these devices, another of which is used to move the crosshair in *Missile Command*. *Centipede* was played using, for 10 points, what scrollable pointing devices?

ANSWER: trackballs

8. Aric Wilmunder developed enhanced versions of this software, which led to him being known as the "Lord" of it. Humongous Entertainment made extensive use of this software, which was invented by Humongous's founder, Ron Gilbert. The music system iMUSE and the video software INSANE ran alongside this software, whose name is referenced in the name of a band fronted by a punk rocker named (\*) Razor. In a game by Brian Moriarty, the layout of this software is uniquely replaced with musical notes used to cast spells. This software was retired in 1998 in favor of a similar one named GrimE ("grime"). *Zak McKracken and the Alien Mindbenders* was the second game to use this software, which was first designed for a game set in the Edison family home. Verb-based interaction is the default interface of, for 10 points, what "Script Creation Utility" used by LucasArts?

ANSWER: SCUMM [accept Script Creation Utility for Maniac Mansion]

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9. A "gambling" one of these animals appears in David Sirlin's fighting game system *Fantasy Strike*. Kurt Steiner, a man who faked his death and had his brain placed into a cybernetic one of these animals, is a member of the title group of *Contra: Rogue Corps*. A species that resembles these animals was first suggested as an April Fools' Joke by Samwise Didier, and was made in earnest with the introduction of the brewer Chen Stormstout. Another of these animals is the bodyguard of (\*) Ling Xiaoyu and typically appears as a palette swap of the *Tekken* character Kuma. Dragon turtles are ridden by a race that unusually begin with neutral alignment in a major MMO franchise. A *World of Warcraft* expansion is titled for the "mists" of a place whose residents resemble, for 10 points, what large, black and white bears?

ANSWER: pandas [or panda bears; prompt on Pandaren or bears]

10. A 2017 game by Craftven combined this activity with the bullet hell genre. An NES game centered on this activity has an English-themed level whose music is a mashup of "Get Back" and "A Hard Day's Night." This activity is central to the 2016 game *Stikbold*, as well as an Xbox Live game titled for a "Double D" version of it; it is also central to a poorly-received 2008 shovelware title that depicts pirates against ninjas. After *Renegade*, the second game in the (\*) *Kunio-kun* series is titled for this activity and features seven-person teams from various countries. Appropriately, a deluxe edition of *Bully* was bundled with an item used for this activity. That aforementioned NES game adds "Super" to the name of, for 10 points, what activity in which people throw spheres at each other?

ANSWER: dodgeball [accept Double D Dodgeball or Pirates vs. Ninjas Dodgeball or Super Dodge Ball]

11. American Laser Games used technology from this company for *Orbatak* and much of its other arcade hardware. After the ESRB was established, this company opted to keep using its own system, which used the ratings "12" and "17." A product by this company was dubiously named *Time's* 1993 "Product of the Year," despite having just one launch title, which was ironically titled *Crash 'n Burn*. That console by this company was the first to feature a game series "presented" by *Road and Track*, which began the (\*) *Need for Speed* series. After founding EA, Trip Hawkins formed this company. After leaving the hardware business, this company developed *Sarge's Heroes* and other games in the *Army Men* series. Goldstar and Panasonic produced ludicrously expensive consoles named after, for 10 points, what company's "Interactive Multiplayer"?

ANSWER: The 3DO Company

12. A weapon in this game was directly modeled off the plasma laser from the 1984 anime film *Lensman*. High scorers of this game are prompted not just for their initials but also their gender and Zodiac sign. This game, which began as a sequel to *Scramble*, begins its first boss fight with two red volcanoes spewing yellow rocks at the player; its final, anti-climactic boss is the Xaerous (ZEER-uss) (\*) Brain, which has no attacks and just has to have its six wall sutures blown up. A weird spinoff of this game has a name that mashes up this game's title with the word "parody." This game's 1988 sequel introduced the phrase "shoot the core!," which is now a shoot-'em-up genre cliché. The Vic Viper is the player's spaceship in, for 10 points, what 1985 Konami space shooter that, unlike the similarly named and themed *Xevious*, is a side-scroller?

ANSWER: Gradius

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13. In March 2008, Alex Epshteyn created a racing-themed browser game that is apparently this genre's first online multiplayer game. In a PopCap game in this genre, players fend off waves of slowly approaching sharks before retrieving rare gems from shipwrecks at the end of each level. Charles Martinet's first stint as Mario's voice actor was in a 1992 game in this genre; that game prominently depicts Mario and Luigi's (\*) gloves. A Dreamcast game in this genre amusingly depicts its characters with Dreamcasts strapped to their backs. A short piece by Leroy Anderson opened many games in this genre that belonged to the Mavis Beacon series. Your accuracy and WPMs are often displayed in, for 10 points, what genre of educational games that teaches people how to use a keyboard?

ANSWER: typing games [accept any answer denoting games that teach you to type, like typing tutors or typer games]

14. The most recent game to star these characters tasks them with collecting eight signatures at a small college. A nacho cheese-filled river and a filthy restaurant are among the themes of mini-golf holes in a PC game starring these characters. These characters are central to the trivia game *Weiner Takes All*. A Game Boy game starring these characters chronicles their attempts to join a gang led by (\*) Todd Ianzuzzi; the same plot involving these characters is central to the game *Virtual Stupidity*. Several games about these characters, including a point-and-click action game for the Genesis, depicts their attempts to find the torn up pieces of a ticket to a GWAR concert. The aforementioned mini-golf game *Bunghole in One* stars, for 10 points, what juvenile duo created by Mike Judge?

ANSWER: Beavis and Butt-Head [accept answers in either order]

15. Goliath, the first boss of *Devil May Cry 5*, makes his presence known by throwing one of these vehicles at Nero. Taneo is accidentally thrown out of one of these vehicles in an amusing scene from *Incredible Crisis*. One of these vehicles in Chicago is central to a 1999 Sega arcade game that, along with *Brave Firefighters* and *Jambo! Safari*, was part of Sega's "Real Life Career" series. A "Ram" variety of this vehicle is a diversion in *Saints Row: Gat Out of Hell*. The 2012 reboot of *Twisted Metal* featured a 1959 (\*) Cadillac variety of this vehicle, which is also the basis for video game and other versions of the Ecto 1. Players could be mercilessly hit by one of these vehicles in early games in the *Madden* series. For 10 points, name these vehicles that trigger the *GTA* series' "Paramedic" missions.

ANSWER: ambulances [accept rambulance]

16. This game can be played by entering its name into the terminal next to the Videospiegel machine in *Call of Duty: Black Ops Cold War*. A scepter once owned by Ramses the Great and a painting possibly made by Leonardo Flathead are among the nineteen treasures this game's players hope to install in a trophy case. An introductory leaflet is found inside the "small mailbox" that stands near a "white (\*) house with a boarded-up front door" in the opening scene of this game, whose "intelligent input" selling point allows players to use everyday phrasings without confusing its parser. This game warns players who fail to equip a light source that "It is pitch black. You are likely to be eaten by a grue." "The Great Underground Empire" is the subtitle of, for 10 points, what pioneering 1977 text adventure game?

ANSWER: Zork [or Zork I ("Zork One")]

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17. In the ending of one game, this character is seen cutting a celebratory cake for Murphy Pendleton. Earning a bronze medal in every event unlocks a chibi version of this character in the DS game *New International Track & Field*. The Wood Side Apartments are home to the first encounters with this character, one of which depicts him going to town on two mannequins. The painting *Misty Days, Remains of the Judgement* depicts and foretells this character, who is really a manifestation of (\*) James Sunderland's guilt over euthanizing his dying wife. In 2020 this character was added to *Dead By Daylight* under the name "The Executioner," a nod to his apparent role in the title location of a certain horror series. Butcher's clothes and an enormous knife are wielded by, for 10 points, what *Silent Hill* enemy with a trapezoidal helmet?

ANSWER: Pyramid Head [accept Red Pyramid Thing]

18. In this game, the track star Vince Lestrade claims he was framed for murdering his girlfriend. Several characters early in this game distribute purple cards for the Pink Vice, a nearby brothel. A packet of powdered poison in this game can be used to kill Khaled Istom at the behest of the mysterious organization (\*) EZIC. Day 2 of this game is always "cut short by a terrorist attack." Two keys in this game unlock the tranquilizer and sniper rifle cases, either of which can be used to shoot the Man in Red. Hitting spacebar in this game, which is often marketed as an "empathy game," brings up a "highlight discrepancy" mode. Moral conundrums complicate the dizzying accumulation of rules and requirements for entering the country of Arstotzka (arr-"STOAT"-skuh) in, for 10 points, what 2013 indie game set in 1982 at an Eastern Bloc passport checkpoint?

ANSWER: Papers, Please

19. According to official lore, this man is only three inches tall and took on his current job after an unfulfilling career working as a hair dye chemist. A disorganized man clearly modeled off this character offers you a broom once you give him a letter from his pen pal Christine in Animal Village in *Link's Awakening*. As a *Super Smash Bros.* assist trophy, this man waves a wand to make certain objects (\*) grow from the ground. This man frequently busts into his office through a blue door to inform you about things like a new bank or a recent uptick in traffic jams. This character's name is a tribute to a designer who pioneered this character's game of origin at Maxis. For 10 points, name this bespectacled green-haired advisor from the SNES version of *SimCity*.

ANSWER: Dr. Wright [accept Mr. Write; prompt on Will Wright]

20. One of these things is the primary item of Owen, the protagonist of the *Dungeon Explorer* clone *Master of the Monster Lair*. In addition to a fake leg that launches anti-air missiles, Holy Summers wields one of these items in *No More Heroes*. Though he rarely actually uses one in the game, Mr. Peterson is typically shown holding one of these items in official artwork for *Hello Neighbor*. A *League of Legends* character who wields one of these items can summon Mist Walkers and is named for a character from (\*) *Hamlet*. Varieties of this item are the most common occupier of the "Tool" slot in *Crypt of the Necrodancer*. This is the title possession of a character who fights the Order of No Quarter in a game by Yacht Club Games. In *Team Fortress 2*, the Soldier wields, for 10 points, what item wielded by a namesake knight in a neo-retro platformer?

ANSWER: shovels [accept Shovel Knight]