

British Novice Tournament 2017: INSERT WITTY SUBTITLE HERE

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Packet 12:

The previous tossup should have been on Ludwig Boltzmann:

Tossups:

1. This man was alleged to have had an affair with King Nicomedes of Bithynia, and also with Servilia, the mother of one of his killers. This man's debts after his praetorship were paid for by Marcus Licinius Crassus, who this man would later join in the First Triumvirate. This man's wealth and political power were confirmed after his victory at Alesia in Gaul. The Curia was burnt down during the funeral for this man by rioters, urged on by the elegy given by Mark Antony. For 10 points, name this Roman general and dictator assassinated on the Ides of March.

ANSWER: Gaius Julius Caesar [prompt on Caesar] <OSC>

2. This island was where the eggs of the last breeding pair of white-tailed sea eagles in the UK were taken in 1916. The Cuillin dominates the centre of this island and is the site of the Inaccessible Pinnacle, the only Munro to require advanced climbing skills to summit. This island is the site of the Talisker distillery and a Scottish Gaelic college at Kilmore. The largest settlement on this island is Portree, and it has been linked to the mainland at Kyle of Lochalsh by this island's namesake bridge since 1995. For 10 points, name this largest island of the Inner Hebrides in Scotland.

ANSWER: Isle of Skye [accept An t-Eilean Sgitheanach or Eilean a' Cheò]

3. A ruler of this name was deposed after revolts by both Guy of Spoleto and Arnulf of Carinthia. Another monarch of this name, nicknamed "the Simple", granted Normandy to invading Vikings under Rollo. A king of this name was nicknamed "the Victorious" after his armies captured Bordeaux and defeated the English at Castillon at the end of the Hundred Years War. That man's father, also of this name and known as "the Mad", believed he was made of glass. For 10 points, give this name shared by many French monarchs, beginning with the first Holy Roman Emperor.

ANSWER: Charles <OSC>

4. FFI is a prion disease which notably renders subjects unable to perform this process. "Obstructive" and "central" are the two categories of a disorder where people experience apnea and fail to breathe during this process. Medications to induce this state include "Z-drugs" such as zopiclone, and this process is promoted by the hormone melatonin which controls circadian rhythms. This process is split into stages such as N3, or "delta wave", and REM. For ten points, what is this activity in which animals lose consciousness and may experience dreams?

ANSWER: sleep <JR>

5. In a play by this author, a woman discovers that her husband sacked Oichalia purely to capture the king's daughter Iole, and later accidentally poisons that husband after mistaking the blood of Nessus for a love potion. In addition to *Women of Trachis*, this man used his hometown to set a play about the final days of a blind king "in Colonus". That work is a sequel to a play by this author whose title character discovers that his wife Jocasta is actually his mother. For 10 points, name this Athenian playwright whose seven extant tragedies include *Ajax*, *Antigone* and *Oedipus Rex*.

ANSWER: Sophocles <Tom>

6. A prison chaplain in this novel argues that the attempt by the doctors Branom and Brodsky to make the main character physically ill from any reference to violence robs him of his free will. As a side-effect of that process in this novel, the subject cannot listen to classical music, such as that by 'Ludwig Van', without also being ill. The Ludovico Technique is an aversion therapy in this novel, which also uses an invented slang, nadsat, which contains words such as polly, horrorshow, and droog. For 10 points, name this novel by Anthony Burgess about the ultra-violent teenager Alex.

ANSWER: **A Clockwork Orange** <Alex>

7. The SNP MSP Colin Beattie described a redesign in this item as 'emblematic of the devastating consequences that Brexit could bring' in a motion to the Scottish Parliament; the manufacturer of this item claimed that change was due to the rising cost of cocoa for this product. In October 2017, a knock-off version of this item named Twin Peaks was produced, which more closely resembled this item's original size and shape; Mondelez International forced Poundland to stop selling that product. For 10 points, name this Swiss chocolate bar, which in 2016 saw an increase in the space between its triangular segments.

ANSWER: **Toblerone** bars [accept 'change in size of **Toblerone** bars' or equivalent] <Alex>

8. With Torricelli, this man names the point in a triangle that minimises the total distance of the point from the three vertices. He also names a series of mutually coprime numbers of the form 'two to the two to the n plus one'. Another theorem named for him states that ' a^p is congruent to a mod p ', for primes p . In addition to his 'little' theorem, Andrew Wiles proved a theorem named for him stating that for n greater than 2, ' a^n plus b^n equals c^n ' has no solutions in the integers. For 10 points, name this French mathematician, famous for his inscrutable 'last' theorem.

ANSWER: Pierre de **Fermat** <JK>

9. A poem by Alphonse de Lamartine inspired this composer's *Les préludes*, one of their thirteen symphonic poems. Gretchen, Mephistopheles and the title character are depicted in each of the movements in this composer's *Faust Symphony*. Paganini's second violin concerto inspired an etude by this composer which depicts a little bell, *La campanella*. This composer depicted Mazeppa being dragged around by a horse in the fourth of his *Transcendental études*. For 10 points, name this piano virtuoso whose namesake mania was inspired by works such as the *Hungarian Rhapsodies*.

ANSWER: Franz **Liszt** <CS>

10. This author coined the phrase "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread" in one poem. This poet noted that "the proper study of mankind is man" in a poem comprised of four epistles. This author also wrote that "a little learning is a dang'rous thing", and "to err is human, to forgive, divine" in a poem which uses heroic couplets, "An Essay on Criticism". In another poem by this author, the sylph Ariel tries to defend Belinda's hair from the Baron and his scissors. For 10 points, name this English poet and satirist, the author of "The Rape of the Lock".

ANSWER: Alexander **Pope** <Alex>

11. Lyman's Law describes the behaviour of sequential voicing in this language. Speakers of this language commonly suffix the number three to other people's names in text-speak. In this language, "o" may be prefixed to certain nouns to indicate that they are in a polite form. Pseudo-English borrowings in this language include "salaryman" for a businessman and "konbini" for a convenience store, while English borrowings from this language include "tycoon" and "shogun". This language is written in three scripts: hiragana, katakana and kanji. For 10 points, name this language spoken in Tokyo.

ANSWER: **Japanese** <EJW>

12. This character first discovers his name by lifting a metal slab in a cemetery. The earliest known appearance of this character is in the works of Chrétien de Troyes, who in one poem describes him as “The Knight of the Cart”. In that poem, this man accompanies Gawain to defeat Maleagant. Elaine of Corbenic tricks this man into sleeping with her by disguising herself as the woman that he secretly loves. She later bears him a son named Galahad. For 10 points, name this Knight of the Round Table, known for his tragic affair with Queen Guinevere.

ANSWER: Sir **Lancelot** <Tom>

13. Thirteen works in this artistic medium telling the story of Tristan and Iseult were designed by William Morris for William Dunlop, as well as a pair of works for what is now the Morris Room at the V&A Museum. A unique shade of blue used in this medium was named for Chartres. A work in this medium for the United Nations building was dedicated to the memory of Dag Hammarskjöld and named *Peace*. That work was designed by Marc Chagall, who also designed a Tree of Jesse in this medium for Reims Cathedral. For 10 points, identify this artistic medium, often used to embellish church windows.

ANSWER: **stained glass** [prompt on glass] <Alex>

14. This man’s attempted campaign against the Ming dynasty under the Yongle Emperor was halted by his death on the banks of the Syr Darya River. This man sacked the Knights Hospitaller fort of Smyrna, for which he granted himself the title of ghazi. This man’s grandson, the ruler and astronomer Ulugh Beg is buried in the same mausoleum, the Gur-e Amir. This man was shot in the leg as a child while trying to steal a sheep, leaving him crippled, for he gained his epithet. Though not a descendent of Genghis Khan, for 10 points, name this last of the conquerors from the steppe whose capital was at Samarkand.

ANSWER: **Timur** the Lame [accept **Tamerlane** or **Temūr(-i) Lang**]

15. Sir Edmund Prideaux became spectacularly rich by operating this service during the English Civil War. Ralph Allen, who built many of the Georgian stone buildings in Bath, made his money by revolutionising this service. A 1969 Act of Parliament changed this service from a Department of State into a public corporation, and until 2003, it operated its own underground railway in London. In 2015, the government sold its remaining 30% stake in this service, ending almost 500 years of public ownership. For 10 points, name this service which delivers letters and parcels around the UK.

ANSWER: **Royal Mail** [accept the **Post Office** or the **Post Service**] <Tom>

16. These devices are used to initiate inertially confined nuclear fusion. These devices use an electrical current or a light wave to pump energy into a gain medium until more particles are in a high energy state than a low energy state, which is called population inversion. These devices are found in optical disc drives. The helium-neon type of these devices is commonly found in educational labs. For 10 points, name these devices that use stimulated emission to produce coherent monochromatic light.

ANSWER: **lasers** <LW>

17. A recently-elected president of this country outlined a fifteen-point peace plan upon his election, which held only for a few days until a military helicopter was shot down. In 2015, rebels took the town of Debaltseve in this country to consolidate territory following the fall of a major airport in this country’s Donbass region. An ongoing crisis in this country began when a deal with the EU was abandoned by its president Viktor Yanukovich, instead favouring stronger Russian ties. For ten points, name this country from which Russia has recently annexed the Crimea, prompting violence in its capital Kyiv.

ANSWER: **Ukraine** [or **Ucraina**] <JK>

18. In this television show, the owner of a diner is killed by someone who pretends to be from social services. Another character in this show disappears after she cuts her hand in an attempt to shotgun a beer. One character in this television show has an obsession with Eggo Waffles and the show opens with the main characters trying to

defeat the Demogorgon in *Dungeons & Dragons*. For 10 points, name this Netflix show, created by the Duffer Brothers, about the disappearance of Will Byers to The Upside-Down and starring Millie Bobby Brown as Eleven, whose second season premiered in October 2017.

ANSWER: *Stranger Things*

19. In a short story by this man, the protagonist is rejected by Yale for appearing too old, but later joins Harvard when he is almost 30 years older. In another of this writer's short stories, a girl takes revenge on her cousin Marjorie by chopping off her braids. Meyer Wolfsheim claims to have fixed the 1919 World Series in a novel by this author, in which Tom Buchanan's lover Myrtle is run over by Tom's wife Daisy, who is driving her lover Jay's car. "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" and "Bernice Bobs Her Hair" are by, for 10 points, what author of *The Great Gatsby*?

ANSWER: F(rancis) Scott Fitzgerald <Tricia>

20. A horse falls on this man's leg breaking it, shortly after he leaves a brothel where he'd met the prostitute mother of Barra. Along with Howland Reed, this man survived a confrontation with the remnants of the Kingsguard at the Tower of Joy during Robert's Rebellion. Sir Hugh of the Vale is killed during a tournament in honour of this man. This man executes the night's watch deserter Gared with his greatsword Ice and hires Syrio Forel to teach one of his daughters swordplay. For 10 points, name this Warden of the North and Hand of the King, the father of Arya and Bran Stark.

ANSWER: Eddard Stark [accept Ned] [prompt on Stark before mentioned]

Bonuses:

1. For 10 points each, answer these questions about the menstrual cycle:

[10] Name this lining of the uterus, part of which is shed during menstruation. Blastocysts implant in this blood-vessel rich layer, where the placenta forms during pregnancy.

ANSWER: endometrium

[10] This process results in the formation of the corpus luteum. It occurs roughly 14 days into the cycle and is stimulated by an increase in levels of LH and FSH.

ANSWER: ovulation

[10] This disorder results in irregular menstrual cycles. Symptoms include immature follicles and it is caused by excessive levels of androgens.

ANSWER: polycystic ovary syndrome [or PCOS] <LW>

2. This text originated the famous idea that "a journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step". For 10 points each:

[10] Name this work of Chinese philosophy. Its title refers to an unchanging moral concept translated as "the Way", opening with the assertion that "the Way that can be named is not the eternal Way".

ANSWER: Dao de Jing [accept Tao te Ching]

[10] The authorship of the *Dao de Jing* is traditionally ascribed to this legendary ancient Chinese philosopher. The Zhuangzi [JWUNG-zuh] retells the story of this man meeting Confucius.

ANSWER: Laozi [accept Lao Tzu]

[10] The *Dao de Jing* promotes this central tenet of Daoism, which translates as "non-action". This concept is the idea that one should live effortlessly, flowing freely like water.

ANSWER: **wu wei** <EJW>

3. While studying at Cambridge, this man brandished a hot poker at Karl Popper to demand an example of a moral rule, to which Popper replied “not to threaten visiting speakers with pokers”. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this 20th century Austrian analytic philosopher. He made a pun on a work by Spinoza to title his *Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus*, which opens by stating that “whereof one cannot speak, thereof one must be silent”.

ANSWER: Ludwig **Wittgenstein**

[10] This posthumously published Wittgenstein work discusses further puzzles of language and logic. In this work, the “beetle-in-a-box” thought experiment is used to argue against “private languages”.

ANSWER: **Philosophical Investigations**

[10] *Philosophical Investigations* uses this visual illusion to illustrate the difference between “seeing that” and “seeing as”. In this illusion, a single image appears to depict two different animals depending on one’s perspective.

ANSWER: **duckrabbit** [accept **rabbit-duck** or **Kaninchen und Ente**] <EJW>

4. “This royal throne of kings, this sceptred isle... This blessed plot, this earth, this realm, this England”...was not the only location William Shakespeare chose for his plays. For 10 points each:

[10] This Shakespeare play is set in the ancient Greek city of Ephesus, and centres on two pairs of twin brothers named Antipholus and Dromio.

ANSWER: *The* **Comedy of Errors**

[10] *The Merchant of Venice* and this other play are set in - you guessed it - Venice. This play’s title military commander is enemies with Iago and strangles his wife Desdemona, believing she has been unfaithful.

ANSWER: **Othello**

[10] This other of Shakespeare's plays is set partly in Sicily and partly with a glaring geographical error, on the non-existent coast of Bohemia. A notorious stage direction in this play has a character “exit, pursued by a bear”.

ANSWER: *The* **Winter's Tale** <Tricia>

5. In this novel, Sue Bridehead leaves her husband, the schoolteacher Mr Phillotson, to live with her cousin, the title character. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this Victorian novel about a stonemason who is rejected from university before one of his children, Little Father Time, kills his siblings and then hangs himself, leaving the note “Done because we are too menny”.

ANSWER: **Jude the Obscure**

[10] *Jude the Obscure* was the last novel of this author, who also wrote *Tess of the D'Urbervilles* and created Bathsheba Everdene in *Far from the Madding Crowd*.

ANSWER: Thomas **Hardy**

[10] Like all of Hardy’s novels, *Jude the Obscure* is set in this semi-fictionalised region of southern England, named after the Anglo-Saxon kingdom which roughly occupied the same area.

ANSWER: **Wessex** <Alex>

6. Despite its tragic tale, this opera was first performed at the Opera Comique in Paris, For 10 points each:

[10] Name this opera, whose title character sings an aria commonly called “The Habanera” in which she compares love to a rebellious bird.

ANSWER: **Carmen**

[10] In addition to *Carmen*, this French composer wrote the opera the *Pearl Fishers* in which the friends Zurga and Nadir are both in love with the Sri Lankan priestess Leila.

ANSWER: Georges **Bizet**

[10] This bullfighter sings the famous ‘Toreador Song’. Carmen is killed by Jose outside the arena after she says that she loves this man.

ANSWER: **Escamillo** <LW>

7. Answer some questions about typefaces used on the British transport system. For 10 points each:

[10] With Jock Kinneir, this British graphic designer developed the Transport typeface used on road signs and the Motorway typeface used for motorways.

ANSWER: Margaret **Calvert**

[10] The sans-serif Johnston typeface is most recognised from its use on this diagram, whose layout was revolutionised by Harry Beck. The opening of Crossrail will result in a new purple line being added to this diagram.

ANSWER: The **London Underground Map** [or equivalent, accept **Tube map**]

[10] Network rail stations use a typeface named for this Victorian engineer who designed the steamships *Great Eastern* and *Great Western*, as well as the Clifton Suspension Bridge.

ANSWER: Isambard Kingdom **Brunel**

8. Given “n” distinct objects, the number of ways to permute them is given by this function applied to n. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this function represented by an exclamation mark, defined to be the product of all positive integers less than or equal to the input.

ANSWER: **factorial**

[10] Calculations involving factorials can be non-trivial, so this approximation, named for a Scottish mathematician, is often used. One formulation of it states that “log of n factorial” is approximately equal to “n log n, minus n”.

ANSWER: **Stirling**’s approximation [or **Stirling**’s formula]

[10] This theorem states that a number “n” is prime if and only if “n minus one factorial” is congruent to minus one, modulo n. Due to the impracticality of calculating large factorials, this theorem is rarely applied as a primality test.

ANSWER: **Wilson**’s theorem <BS>

9. Since this character’s introduction, he has become addicted to crack cocaine, crashed into the Thames, developed cirrhosis of the liver, been imprisoned for armed robbery and been shot. For ten points each:

[10] Name this character, played by Steve McFadden. Along with his equally bald brother Grant, this character has terrorised Albert Square since 1990.

ANSWER: **Phil** Mitchell [prompt on “**Mitchell**”]

[10] This son of Phil Mitchell and Kathy Beale has had an equally hectic existence, framing his father for killing Stella Crawford, and himself killing Heather Trott. This character has been played by Harry Reid since 2014.

ANSWER: **Ben** Mitchell

[10] The Mitchells appear in this long-running BBC soap opera, where they live in the borough of Walford. Both Grant and Phil Mitchell have served as landlords of the Queen Vic pub in this soap.

ANSWER: **EastEnders** <FCM>

10. Answer some questions about castles in Wales, for 10 points each:

[10] Many castles, such as Caernafon, Conwy and Harlech were built by this English king, nicknamed Longshanks, who invaded Wales to suppress the rebellion of Llewelyn ap Gruffudd.

ANSWER: **Edward I**

[10] Most of Edward’s castles in Wales were built in this style, which developed in response to improved siege weaponry in the Crusader states. Castles in this style had an outer wall which was lower than the inner defences.

ANSWER: **concentric**

[10] Arguably the best example of Edward’s concentric castles was this castle, built between 1306 and 1330 on the Isle of Anglesey.

ANSWER: **Beaumaris** <Tom>

11. Answer some questions about having fish for breakfast. For 10 points each:

[10] This breakfast fish is a whole herring that has been cut open, gutted, salted and smoked. On an unrelated note, they’re sometimes known as red herrings.

ANSWER: **Kippers**

[10] This dish consists of smoked haddock, rice, parsley, eggs, and curry powder. It is thought to have been invented by Scots who missed non-bland food after they returned from India.

ANSWER: **Kedgerie**

[10] Traditionally served on a bagel with cream cheese, this food is a fillet of brined salmon whose name derives from the Yiddish word for salmon.

ANSWER: **Lox**

12. Answer some questions about recent British world boxing champions, for ten points each:

[10] This fighter vacated his WBA, WBO and IBF heavyweight titles after failing a drug test for cocaine. Other unpleasant actions by this man include homophobic, sexist and anti-Semitic remarks, which did not stop his 2015 Sports Personality of the Year nomination.

ANSWER: Tyson **Fury**

[10] This other heavyweight fighter currently holds the WBA and IBF belts, with a record of 20 knockouts in 20 fights. He also won a gold medal in the super-heavyweight class at the 2012 Olympics.

ANSWER: Anthony **Joshua**

[10] In 2015, this super-middleweight became the first British boxer to win a world boxing championship and an Olympic gold medal, winning the latter in Beijing. This fighter's only professional defeat was to fellow Brit George Groves.

ANSWER: James **DeGale** <FCM>

13. Founded in 1922, this is the oldest national broadcaster in the world. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this British corporation, based in Broadcasting House, W1A.

ANSWER: **BBC**

[10] This man was the first Director General of the BBC. He names an annual lecture given on the radio, whose speakers have included Bertrand Russell and Hillary Mantel.

ANSWER: Lord **Reith**

[10] This Conservative became the first Prime Minister to use BBC radio news bulletins to broadcast to the nation, when he read his statement in response to the 1926 General Strike.

ANSWER: Stanley **Baldwin** <JS>

14. The Middle East is generally thought of as quite a dry place, but major rivers dominate its geopolitics. For 10 points each, answer some questions on some of these.

[10] As well as having major religious significance and naming an adjacent country, this river is the major water source for large parts of Israel and Palestine and the wider region, and drains into the Dead Sea.

ANSWER: River **Jordan**

[10] This large river defines the southern bounds of the ancient region of Mesopotamia and is repeatedly dammed throughout its length, leading to concerns that ISIS would destroy the dams and flood downstream areas.

ANSWER: River **Euphrates**

[10] The Euphrates joins with its northern neighbour, the Tigris, to form this large waterway that flows into the Persian Gulf. Iran and Iraq have had several disputes over this waterway, because it defines part of their border.

ANSWER: **Shatt al-Arab**

15. After supporting the rebellion of Agustín de Iturbide, this man was given command of Veracruz, and in 1833 he became president for the first time himself. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this general and politician, whose presidency saw the Texas Revolution of 1835-6.

ANSWER: Antonio López de **Santa Anna**

[10] Santa Anna was president of this country, from which Texas sought independence.

ANSWER: **Mexico**

[10] Perhaps the most famous incident of the Texas Revolution is this battle in which a Texian garrison, which included Davy Crockett, was massacred by Mexican troops.

ANSWER: Battle of the **Alamo** <Tom>

16. Many of the poems in this writer's first poetry collection *Just Give Me a Cool Drink of Water 'fore I Diie* originally appeared as songs she wrote during her time as a nightclub singer. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this African-American writer, best known for *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*.

ANSWER: Maya **Angelou** [or Marguerite Annie **Johnson**]

[10] *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* is one of seven works Angelou wrote in this genre. Other examples include Rousseau's *Confessions*, and Nelson Mandela's *Long Walk to Freedom*.

ANSWER: **autobiography** [or **memoir**; or other reasonable equivalents]

[10] Angelou read her poem "On the Pulse of Morning" at one of these large events in 1993, becoming only the second poet to read at one of these events after Robert Frost read "The Gift Outright" at one in January 1960.

ANSWER: presidential **inaugurations** [or Bill Clinton's **inauguration**; or John F Kennedy's **inauguration**; anything reasonable along these lines] <Alex>

17. The Thirty Years' War was one of the most ostentatiously pointless wars in European history. For 10 points each:

[10] It is generally held to have begun in 1618 with a 'defenestration' in this city, the capital of Bohemia.

ANSWER: **Prague**

[10] The first stage of the war was confined to Bohemia, and ended with a decisive victory for the imperial army under Johann Tserclaes, the Count of Tilly, at this 1620 battle, within the modern limits of Prague. René Descartes was present as an official observer.

ANSWER: Battle of **White Mountain**

[10] Apart from Tilly, the main general of the imperial forces was this Czech nobleman, who was despised by both Protestants and Catholics, and who was eventually assassinated with the emperor's approval in 1634.

ANSWER: Albrecht von **Wallenstein** <Alex>

18. The high viscosity of the lava in the eldfell eruption that almost blocked the Icelandic harbour of Heimay led to its cooling to form this type of lava. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this form of lava which tends to adopt a rough, jagged texture contrasted with the smooth, undulating structure of pāhoehoe [pa-hoe-ee-hoe-ee] lava.

ANSWER: 'a'ā [ah-ah] [accept **apalhraun** from people who can pronounce icelandic]

[10] Both pāhoehoe and 'a'ā are names derived from the language of this pacific island chain home to the volcanoes Mauna Loa and Kilauea [key-low-ay-uh].

ANSWER: **Hawai'i**

[10] When lava extrudes either underwater or under a glacier, it instead forms these structures, a series of discontinuous bulbous or spherical masses with coarse grained centres and fine grained outer rims.

ANSWER: **pillow** lava <CS>

19. This poem ends with the narrator casually pointing out a statue of Neptune "taming a seahorse, thought a rarity". For 10 points each:

[10] Name this poem about a title woman "painted on the wall / Looking as if she were alive", told by a man who feels his "gift of a nine-hundred-years-old name" was not appreciated enough.

ANSWER: "**My Last Duchess**"

[10] "My Last Duchess" is a poem by this English author of "Porphyria's Lover" and "Fra Lippo Lippi", who wrote about the murder of Pompilia Comparini in *The Ring and the Book*.

ANSWER: Robert **Browning**

[10] “My Last Duchess” and “Porphyria’s Lover” are in this poetic form, also used by Tennyson in “Ulysses” and “Tithonus”.

ANSWER: **dramatic monologue** [prompt on monologue] <Alex>

20. From the Renaissance onwards, popes started repairing the aqueducts of Rome to provide water through elaborate fountains. For 10 points each:

[10] Approximately €3500 are thrown into this monumental fountain every day, which stands at the junction of three roads. It’s said that doing so will guarantee your return to Rome.

ANSWER: **Trevi** Fountain [or Fontana di **Trevi**]

[10] Apocryphally, one of the figures on this Baroque sculptor’s *Fountain of the Four Rivers* is said to be cowering away from the façade of a church built by a rival, Francesco Borromini, as if expecting it to fall down. This sculptor also designed the *Ecstasy of St Theresa*.

ANSWER: Gian Lorenzo **Bernini**

[10] Bernini was commissioned by Pope Urban VIII and the Barberini family to sculpt a fountain featuring this mythological figure, who is seen raising a conch shell to his lips whilst kneeling on four dolphin tail fins.

ANSWER: **Triton** [accept Fontana del **Tritone**] <Alex>