

MIXTAPE: contemporary music packet roughly following the distribution from 2019 Mixtape
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TOSSUPS

1. **Before it was edited down to 4 minutes, a song on this album had sections nicknamed “Father’s Song” and “The Hallway Speech.” After hearing her 11-year-old daughter singing a song from this album, Tipper Gore founded the PMRC, which lobbied for the Parental Advisory sticker. A massive hit from this album is notable for lacking a (*) bassline. This album is the soundtrack for a movie where the front man of The Revolution tries to keep Morris Day away from his girlfriend, Apollonia. This album opens with the spoken words “dearly beloved, we are gathered here today to get through this thing called life.” For 10 points, name this Prince album that spawned the hits “Let’s Go Crazy” and “When Doves Cry.”**

ANSWER: **Purple Rain** (Gore caught her daughter singing “Darling Nikki.”)

<Pop 1980-1999>

2. **A single by this rapper encourages the listener to look around for someone looking at them, walk up to them, and say “only bitches talk shit, that’s why we bustin’ your shit.” In the first verse of Snoop Dogg’s “Step Yo Game Up,” this man raps “rub that shit, it’s yours, bitch.” This rapper popularized a heavy, synthesizer-centric rap subgenre with songs like “What U Gon’ Do,” which appears on his album (*) *Crunk Juice*. One of this rapper’s most famous verses mainly consists of him repeating “bend over to the front, touch your toes.” This rapper provides the vocals for a song whose music video depicts a man uncontrollably dancing as his invincible penis smashes through the floors of an apartment building. For 10 points, name this hoarse-voiced rapper behind “Get Low” who collaborated with Usher and Ludacris on “Yeah!” and with DJ Snake on “Turn Down for What.”**

ANSWER: **Lil Jon** [prompt on full name Jonathan H. Smith]

<Rap/Hip Hop>

3. **Leaked raw recordings from this album were released on Bandcamp, with all proceeds going to Extinction Rebellion. The poll tax riots inspired a song on this album that mentions “riot shields, voodoo economics,” “cattle prods, and the IMF.” An unnerving track from this album describes a person as “a pig in a cage on antibiotics.” The centerpiece of this album is named for a character from (*) *The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy*. The glockenspiel features prominently in a song from this album that observes “such a pretty house and such a pretty garden.” The singer mumbles “this is what you’ll get when you mess with us” in another song on this album, that ends with the repeated statement “for a minute there, I lost myself.” For 10 points, name this Radiohead album with the songs “No Surprises,” “Paranoid Android,” and “Karma Police.”**

ANSWER: **OK Computer** [prompt on *MiniDiscs [Hacked]* with “what album are those recordings from?”]

<Rock 1980-1999>

4. **Wikipedia interestingly compares the chromatic ascent in this song’s bridge to “Raining in My Heart” by Buddy Holly. In an interview with *The New York Times*, this song’s producer, Rob Cavallo, claimed it was written in eight minutes and was an attempt to write “the darkest song ever.” After marrying Lindsay Ballato, this song’s vocalist stopped singing the lyric “know that I will never marry” in live performances. A cover of this song by (*) twenty one pilots creates a makeshift chorus for it out of the lyrics “I will not kiss you” and “my lips are chapped and faded.” The Patient sees death in the form of the Black Parade after succumbing to the title disease of this song, which repeats that “the hardest part of this is leaving you.” For 10 points, name this song by My Chemical Romance whose singer is “soggy from the chemo.”**

ANSWER: **Cancer**

<Alternative Rock>

5. Words written on a barn in this U.S. state inspired the title of a song where the singer describes spinal surgery as “he took my legs and my will to live.” In the music video for a song named for this state, the singer wears a sheer white dress and holds her arms up to the sky in front of billowing pink smoke. That song named for this state begins and ends with the lyric “me and the dog, we die together.” Parts of this state’s history are referenced in the names of the tracks “THE SOLITARY BRETHREN OF (*) EPHRATA” and “PERPETUAL FLAME OF CENTRALIA.” An album recorded in this state features “I WHO BEND THE TALL GRASSES” and a song named for “[this state’s] FURNACE.” For 10 points, Lingua Ignota’s album *SINNER GET READY* is inspired by what state’s traditional Appalachian music and Amish texts?

ANSWER: Pennsylvania [or PA; accept “PENNSYLVANIA FURNACE”] (All clues are from *SINNER GET READY*.)

<Experimental>

6. In one music video, the singer sits on his hands and knees at the base of this place as a tiny sperm whale comes out of his mouth. In a song named for this place, Snoop Dogg describes “drinking lemonade in the shade, getting blazed with a gang of pilgrims.” One music video ends with Lee John destroying this place with lasers from his eyes. A song named for this place repeats the phrases “it’s automated computer speech” and “it’s a (*) Casio on [this place].” In an unfinished series of music videos, a green-skinned bassist feuds with the gasmask-wearing Boogiemann at this place. A miniature version of this fictional place was used for the music videos “The Lost Chord” and “On Melancholy Hill.” For 10 points, name this place which titles a 2010 climate change album by Gorillaz.

ANSWER: Plastic Beach [accept permutations of “Welcome to the World of the Plastic Beach”]

<Visual Music>

7. A hyper-violent series of animated music videos in this language follows a Chinese rebel group dismantling a cyberpunk regime, and its most recent entry is the *Panty and Stocking*-styled “Ebobo.” The canceled movie *Paragate* would have starred a pop duo that performs in English and this language. In one song, an artist who sings in this language makes silly-sounding “ha-ha-ha”s and trills with his tongue and upper lip. The screamed lyrics (*) “gay propaganda” end a feature verse in this language in “My Agenda” by Dorian Electra. A band using this language was pepper-sprayed and whipped by security guards at the 2014 Winter Olympics. This language is used by the artists Glukoza, Vitas, and t.A.T.u. For 10 points, name this language used by the feminist rebel group and punk rock band Pussy Riot.

ANSWER: Russian

<Common Link>

8. Vangelis and Aphrodite’s Child adapted this song into their debut single, “Rain and Tears.” A sample of this song plays under the lyrics “now little Timmy got his diploma and little Jimmy got life.” This song is interpolated under the lyrics “my heart feel like December when somebody say your name.” This song is sampled in the beat of Coolio’s “C U When U Get There.” Steven Sharp Nelson falls asleep while playing at a (*) wedding in the music video for a Piano Guys “4 Cellos” remix of this song. This song is frequently considered the source of a ubiquitous “one-five-six-four” chord progression. A Maroon 5 song interpolating this song toasts “here’s to the ones that we got” because “the drinks bring back all the memories.” For 10 points, name this Baroque chamber work whose German composer is possibly the first ever one-hit wonder.

ANSWER: Pachelbel’s Canon [or Canon in D]

<Grab Bag>

9. **The guitarist for this song credited Beethoven's Fifth Symphony as inspiration for its guitar riff, which begins "G, B-flat, C... G, B-flat, D-flat-C."** This song's final verse describes the band using bed mattresses as sound insulation so they could record an album at the Grand Hôtel, since they couldn't use Rolling Stones Mobile Studio. Claude Nobs is name-dropped as "Funky Claude" in this song, which also name-drops (*) Frank Zappa and the Mothers of Invention. This song is the most successful single from the album *Machine Head*. This song's lyrics recount a disastrous concert at the Montreux Casino in Geneva Switzerland, where "some stupid with a flare gun burned the place to the ground." For 10 points, name this 1972 hit by Deep Purple whose title is accompanied by "fire in the sky."

ANSWER: "**Smoke on the Water**"

<Rock pre-1980>

10. **This song was released one month after a song by 95 South with an extremely similar title. This song bankrupted its artist's record label due to a lawsuit for sampling "I'm Ready" by Kano without permission. The 1994 Razzie for Worst Original Song went to a remix of this song for *Addams Family Values*. This song's fourth verse ends with a call-and-response of "can you dig it?" and "we can dig it!"** The second verse of this song begins (*) "upside down and inside out, I'm 'bout to show all you folks what it's all about." An extremely-successful GEICO commercial replaces this song's lyrics with "French vanilla, rocky road, chocolate, peanut butter, cookie dough." For 10 points, name this hip-hop one-hit-wonder by Tag Team.

ANSWER: "**Whoomp!** (There It Is)" [accept "**Scoop! There It Is**"; reject "Whoot, There It Is"]

<Rap/Hip Hop>

11. **Before singing this song, a woman declared her age as "47... and that's just one side of me!"** Some adaptations swap this song with "Lovely Ladies," which usually follows it. The middle of this song reminisces on times with "no song unsung, no wine untasted," then warns that "the tigers come at night, with their voices soft as thunder." A hashtag appearing to read (*) "sus anal bum party" was used to promote an album headlined by this song. In a 2012 movie musical, Anne Hathaway breaks down crying while performing this song, proclaiming "there are storms we cannot weather." For 10 points, name this song from *Les Miz* that laments "times gone by when hope was high and life worth living," and which was famously performed on *Britain's Got Talent* by Susan Boyle.

ANSWER: "**I Dreamed a Dream**"

<Musical Theater>

12. **This is the main instrument played by Israeli producer Ori Kaplan, the founder of Balkan Beat Box. Sergey Stepanov went viral after performing a solo on this instrument while representing Moldova at Eurovision Song Contest 2010. Leo Pellegrino, a player of this instrument, dances while busking in New York City's subways and providing basslines for the acoustic house band Too Many Zooz. A song by (*) Flo Rida heavily samples this instrument from "Low Rider" by War. The listener "see me in the spot like 'ooh, I love your style'" in a song whose hook is built around this instrument; that song was criticized for sounding too much like a song that boasts "been around the world, don't speak the language, but your booty don't need explainin'."** For 10 points, name this instrument that plays the hook in "Worth It" by Fifth Harmony and in "Talk Dirty to Me" by Jason Derulo.

ANSWER: **sax**ophone [accept alto **sax**ophone, tenor **sax**ophone, or bari(tone) **sax**ophone]

<Grab Bag>

13. In the closer on an album by this band, the lyrics “nobody knows, nobody sees; nobody but me” come in after a fake fade-out. During this band’s hiatus in 2012, its bassist performed with Nick Brown as Smoke & Jackal. In a song by this band, a distant choir can be heard after the lyrics “the time we shared, it was precious to me; all the while I was dreaming of revelry.” A song that features the refrain “it’s in the water; it’s where you (*) came from” is this band’s first single from *after* their breakout album, *Only by the Night*. An early hit by this band begins with the lyrics “lay where you’re layin’ and don’t make a sound;” that hit was followed by one that begins “I’ve been roaming around, always looking down at all I see.” For 10 points, name this American rock band behind “Use Somebody” and “Sex on Fire.”

ANSWER: Kings of Leon

<Rock 2000->

14. An early single by this artist declares “I’m the wizard of oohs and ahhs and fa-la-las.” In one music video, this artist invites a bunch of roosters into the back seat of a car whose grille emblem puns his last name with “Mazda.” A song by this artist claims that “the comedy is that it’s serious” and “the tragedy is that you’re gonna spend the rest of your nights with the light on.” This singer claims that (*) “when I fall in love, I take my time” in his first major hit, whose subtitle is “I Won’t Worry.” Colbie Caillat sang the love duet “Lucky” with this singer. His most famous hit begins “well, you done done me in, you bet I felt it” and weirdly mispronounces the phrase “I won’t hesitate no more.” For 10 points, name this artist of “The Remedy” and “I’m Yours.”

ANSWER: Jason Mraz [full name Jason Thomas Mraz] (The car he drove was a Mrazda.)

<Pop 2000-2009>

15. A song on this album features a repeated guitar lick that slowly descends chromatically from A-flat to E-flat. In one song on this album, the lyrics “pretend despair” are sung to the tune of the Final Fantasy victory fanfare. Elton John sings “hand me a pen and I’ll rewrite the pain” in a duet version of a song from this album. This album’s opener describes (*) generational trauma in the lyrics “the pain in my vein is hereditary.” A white man spouts a grocery list of anti-Japanese microaggressions in the music video for a song on this album that asks “have you ever thought about taping your big mouth shut?” A dance-pop song on this album is named for a Japanese fashion label and subtitled “(Like the Boys).” For 10 points, name this album with the songs “STFU!” “Comme des Garçons” and “XS.”

ANSWER: SAWAYAMA

<Pop 2010->

16. This song was used in a viral video by cadets at the Ulyanovsk Civil Aviation Institute, resulting in a 2018 trend in Russia protesting anti-gay laws via homoerotic dance videos set to this song. The unsuccessful first music video for this song consists of a single shot of four people dressed in beige wearing glasses. This song, which pioneered the electro-house genre, is the most famous single from an album released under the stage name “The Biz;” that album is (*) *Hypnotica*. This song’s vocals were created using the MacinTalk (“MACK-in-talk”) software. The music video for this song features scantily-clad women operating increasingly-dangerous power tools. For 10 points, name this song by Benny Benassi in which text-to-speech machines chant “push me, and then just touch me.”

ANSWER: “Satisfaction”

<Electronic>

17. This artist sampled the Isley Brothers, Detroit Emeralds, and Bob James in her debut single “Something to Prove,” which was released under her real name. This artist sang “you’re the coffee I need in the morning; you’re my sunshine in the rain when it’s pouring” as the female part of a love duet. This artist won the 2020 Oscar for Best Original Song for a song written for the film *Judas and the Black Messiah*, and also won the 2021 Grammy for Song of the Year with the protest song (*) “I Can’t Breathe.” The compilation album *I Used to Know [this artist]* features this singer’s duet with Bryson Tiller, “Could’ve Been.” This singer sang “Best Part” in a duet with Daniel Caesar. For 10 points, name this R&B singer whose stage name is an acronym that shortens to a feminine third-person accusative pronoun.

ANSWER: H.E.R. [or Having Everything Revealed; full name Gabriella Sarmiento Wilson]
<R&B/Soul>

18. This artist’s first number one single on *Billboard*’s Hot 100 Chart was unseated by Bo Bice’s rendition of the same song, “Inside Your Heaven.” The title vehicles in a song by this artist are “one... for his wife, the other for the woman who loved him at night.” A song by this artist references cheap cologne vending machines in men’s restrooms that dispense “bathroom Polo.” A song by this artist describes a Vegas wedding to a stranger, resulting in the line “I don’t even (*) know my last name.” This singer sang “Bless the Broken Road” with Rascal Flatts in the final of Season 4 of American Idol. The most famous song by this artist boasts that she “carved my name into his leather seats” and “took a Louisville slugger to both headlights.” For 10 points, name this singer who described trashing her unfaithful boyfriend’s car in “Before He Cheats.”

ANSWER: Carrie Underwood [full name Carrie Marie Underwood]
<Folk/Country>

19. The original lyrics for a song named for this place feature the Nietzsche-inspired verse “there’s a shoulder-rock movement and the trembling starts.” A band named for this place got their name from a 1954 incident where an Italian soccer stadium reportedly witnessed cigar-shaped UFOs. A song about this place was written after its writer was rejected from writing English lyrics for “Comme d’habitude,” and is a parody of “My Way.” A band named for this place featured (*) Woody Woodmansey and Mick Ronson. A song named for this place describes how “the girl with the mousy hair” thinks “the film is a saddening bore, ‘cause she’s lived it ten times or more.” Ziggy Stardust’s backing band was the Spiders from, for 10 points, what planet which names a David Bowie song mentioning “sailors fighting in the dance hall?”

ANSWER: Mars [accept “Life on Mars?” or the Spiders from Mars; prompt on space with “what planet is he most likely from?”]
<Any Pop>

20. Deino used this singer’s likeness to create the insectoid robot Calne Ca. This singer partnered with Mikito P on the song “39 Music!” for the 2016 Magical Mirai festival, which she headlines every year. In a surprising guest verse, this singer calls herself a “scary girl singing to the moon.” This singer was the original vocalist for the indie band Supercell, whose debut album featured the song (*) “World Is Mine.” This singer features on the song “Daisy 2.0” by Ashnikko. Crypton Future Media put together a group of vocalists featuring this singer, Luka Megurine, and the siblings Lin and Ren Kagamine. A gibberish cover of the Finnish traditional song “Ievan Polkka” was sung by, for 10 points, what Vocaloid mascot with long, blue twin-tails?

ANSWER: Hatsune Miku [or Miku Hatsune]
<Non-Western Artist>

BONUSES

1. For 10 points each, answer some questions about electronic songs popular in memes:

[10e] Vicetone's remix of "Astronomia" by Tony Igy accompanied a video of a dancing Ghanaian troupe carrying one of these objects on their shoulders.

ANSWER: **coffin** [or **casket**]

[10h] This song by glue70 was mashed up with "Shake That" by Eminem and Nate Dogg in the video "You reposted in the wrong neighborhood."

ANSWER: "**Casin**"

[10m] A popular target for mashups is the hyper-distorted "Waters of Nazareth" by this French electronic duo, represented by a cross.

ANSWER: **Justice**

<Electronic>

2. This song was retired from live performances in 2009 following the death of a close friend of the band. For 10 points each:

[10h] Name this song whose extremely depressing second verse is interrupted by the puzzling lyrics "remember that time that I spilled the cup of apple juice in the hall?"

ANSWER: "**Adam's Song**"

[10e] "Adam's Song" was written by this band for their album *Enema of the State*, which also features "What's My Age Again?" and "All the Small Things."

ANSWER: **blink-182**

[10m] The lyrics "I took my time, I hurried up; the choice was mine, I didn't think enough" from "Adam's Song" echo lyrics from this grunge song.

ANSWER: "**Come As You Are**"

<Rock 1980-1999>

3. This band's music video for "The Writing's On the Wall" is shot in one take and explores numerous optical illusions in a warehouse building. For 10 points each:

[10m] Name this band whose mediocre indie-rock music accompanies viral-bait music videos that feature crafty practical effects.

ANSWER: **OK Go**

[10e] OK Go broke out with "Here It Goes Again," whose video featured elaborate choreography on eight of these exercise machines.

ANSWER: **treadmills**

[10h] The music video for this OK Go song features a large ensemble riding around on Honda UNI-CUB personal transporters and rhythmically opening and closing colored umbrellas.

ANSWER: "**I Won't Let You Down**"

<Visual Music>

4. *HuffPost* music critic Elyse Wanshel compared this song to O.J. Simpson's book *If I Did It*. For 10 points each:

[10h] Name this 19-minute song that was released in response to a campaign to "Mute" its singer. This song includes a disturbing mention that "I fuck with all the ladies; that's both older and younger ladies."

ANSWER: "**I Admit**"

[10e] "I Admit" is by this R&B artist, who notably does not admit to sexual misconduct. The long, meandering nature of the song garnered comparisons to this artist's *Trapped in the Closet*.

ANSWER: R. **Kelly** [full name Robert Sylvester **Kelly**]

[10m] R. Kelly produced this R&B legend's debut album, which was distressingly named *Age Ain't Nothing but a Number*. This singer was 15 when the 27-year-old Kelly illegally married her in 1994.

ANSWER: **Aaliyah** Haughton [full name **Aaliyah** Dana Haughton]

<R&B/Soul>

5. In 2020, Cimcie Nichols claimed to have found an old work tape of this song, though nothing seems to have come of it. For 10 points each:

[10h] Name this song that was accidentally deleted by an assistant engineer. The band's perfectionism was such that this song was never re-recorded, and only bootleg demos of it remain.

ANSWER: "The **Second Arrangement**"

[10e] "The Second Arrangement" was intended for this band's album *Gauche*. This preeminent yacht-rock band included the songs "Peg" and "Deacon Blues" on the album *Aja*.

ANSWER: **Steely Dan**

[10m] This guitarist was surprised to hear he was credited on *Gauche*, since some of his work from the refuse of *The Royal Scam* was used to replace "The Second Arrangement." This guitarist played on the theme to *Hill Street Blues*.

ANSWER: Larry **Carlton**

<Rock pre-1980>

6. In 2022, Erik Grönwall was hired to front this singer's old band after posting covers of this singer's "18 and Life" on YouTube. For 10 points each:

[10h] Name this heavy metal singer whose name resembles that of a late Baroque composer. This singer was kicked from a successful band in the 90's after disagreements with songwriter and bassist Rachel Bolan.

ANSWER: Sebastian **Bach** [real name Sebastian Philip **Bierk**; reject "Johann Sebastian Bach"]

[10m] Sebastian Bach sang "18 and Life," as well as the other 80's hits "Youth Gone Wild" and "I Remember You," as the front man for this glam metal band.

ANSWER: **Skid Row**

[10e] While fronting Skid Row, Bach received blowback over a homophobic shirt praising this disease. Cuban punk-rockers called "Frikis" ("freakies") purposely contracted this disease by injecting themselves with HIV-positive blood.

ANSWER: **AIDS** (Frikis were trying to avoid the effects of the Special Period by living in state-run AIDS clinics.)

<Alternative Rock>

7. The descriptions for this artist's music on YouTube indicate the music has been "remembered, disfigured, and forgotten." For 10 points each:

[10m] Name this ambient artist who frequently works with ballroom recordings. His friend Ivan Neal creates the abstract artworks accompanying his music, such as the album *An Empty Bliss Beyond This World*.

ANSWER: The **Caretaker**

[10e] The Caretaker's magnum opus is certainly *Everywhere at the End of Time*, a 6-part project exploring the loss of memory and confusion associated with this most-common form of dementia.

ANSWER: **Alzheimer's** disease

[10h] Unusually, this single's description only indicates it was "remembered by the Caretaker." This single eulogizes the Caretaker's friend Mark Fisher, and is 48 minutes to match the age at which he committed suicide.

ANSWER: **Take Care. It's a Desert Out There...**

<Experimental>

8. An album named for this trait features Cleo Sol on a song that names Miss Sierra Leone, Miss Tanzania, and Miss Ethiopia. For 10 points each:

[10m] Give this trait which follows the words *Sometimes I Might Be* in a rap album by Little Simz.

ANSWER: **introvert** [accept word forms like **introversion**; accept *Sometimes I Might Be* **Introvert**]

[10e] The aforementioned song featuring Cleo Sol on *Sometimes I Might Be Introvert* has this title. In another song with this title, Doja Cat proclaims "divine feminine, I'm feminine!"

ANSWER: "**Woman**"

[10h] Cleo Sol is probably one of the vocalists of this fully-anonymous British R&B collective behind the 2020 albums *Untitled (Black Is)* and *Untitled (Rise)*.

ANSWER: **SAULT**

<Rap/Hip Hop>

9. For 10 points each, answer some questions about Arabic pop music:

[10e] The Algerian raï singer Cheb Mami features in this musician's North-African-flavored single "Desert Rose." This artist was previously the frontman for The Police.

ANSWER: **Sting** [full name Gordon Matthew Thomas **Sumner**]

[10m] Another Algerian raï singer behind the songs "Abdel Kader" and "C'est la vie" goes by this single name, which makes him easy to confuse with the Palestinian musician behind the album *Father of Asahd*.

ANSWER: **Khaled** ("CAL-lid") [reject "DJ Khaled" and "Khalid" ("ka-LEED")]

[10h] This mononymous Lebanese superstar is the most-listened-to Arab singer in the world. She sings "I love you in the summer, and I love you in the winter" in one of her most famous singles.

ANSWER: **Fairuz** [full name Nouhad Wadie' **Haddad**]

<Non-Western Artist>

10. For 10 points each, answer some questions about references to other Black musicians in Kendrick Lamar's "King Kunta:"

[10h] The beat of "King Kunta" is based on that of Mausberg's "Get Nekkid," which was produced by this G-funk DJ. As a rapper, this man wrote "Dollaz + Sense," and feuded with MC Eiht ("eight").

ANSWER: DJ **Quik** [real name David Marvin **Blake**]

[10m] Exclamations of "I'm mad!" and "I can dig rappin'!" echo this song by James Brown, which is the title track of his most commercially-successful album.

ANSWER: "The **Payback**"

[10e] The repeated shouts of "Annie, are you okay?" near the end of "King Kunta" are in reference to this Michael Jackson song.

ANSWER: "**Smooth Criminal**"

<Rap/Hip Hop>

11. Several different musical subcultures have collectively revived alt-rock in the 2020s. For 10 points each:

[10e] The overwhelming success of this rock single by Olivia Rodrigo has inspired copycat songs by other pop singers like Tate McRae and Ava Max.

ANSWER: "**good 4 u**"

[10h] Several SoundCloud emo rappers have pivoted to pop punk, such as this artist, whose song "Paralyzed" has a Wikipedia page while he himself does not. His other songs include "Loser" and "Drunk Dial."

ANSWER: **Sueco** [accept **Sueco** the Child]

[10m] After making a name for themselves in hyperpop, 100 geecs have seemingly started to pivot toward alt-rock, beginning with this ska-punk Christmas single whose name is based on a Rolling Stones track.

ANSWER: "**sympathy 4 the grinch**"

<Grab Bag>

12. This man was arrested shortly before he could enact plans to bomb the anti-fascist Blitz House in Oslo. For 10 points each:

[10m] Name this member of the band Mayhem who stabbed his bandmate Euronymous to death. This Twitter-addicted black metal musician's first five records were under the name Burzum.

ANSWER: **Varg Vikernes** [accept either underlined portion; full name either Louis **Cachet** or Kristian **Vikernes**]

[10e] Before his time with Mayhem, Varg was arrested for burning several of these buildings in Norway as a "retaliation" against Norway's Christian hegemony.

ANSWER: **churches**

[10h] Varg and Euronymous were both with Mayhem when they released the bootleg live album *The Dawn of the Black Hearts*, whose cover art shows this former bandmate missing the top of his head after his suicide by shotgun.

ANSWER: **Dead** [or **Pelle**; full name Per Yngve **Ohlin**]

<Grab Bag>

13. For 10 points each, answer some questions about songs about COVID-19:

[10h] This man, best known as a producer, wrote and sang “Can’t Wait To Be Dead” and “What They’ll Say About Us” in response to trauma brought about by the pandemic and resulting civil unrest.

ANSWER: **FINNEAS** [full name Finneas Baird **O’Connell**]

[10m] This band chronicled a single day at the height of the pandemic in “21/04/20.” This band’s most famous song urges “black, white, green or blue—show off your natural hue.”

ANSWER: **Kero Kero Bonito**

[10e] This TV host released the awful song “It Was A... (Masked Christmas)” with Megan Thee Stallion and Ariana Grande. Somehow, this man’s house band on *The Tonight Show* is the Roots.

ANSWER: Jimmy **Fallon** [full name James Thomas **Fallon**]

<Pop 2010->

14. A song named for a “Letter from [this country]” describes how “we’re all here, chewing our tongues off, waiting for the fever to break.” For 10 points each:

[10h] Name this country. Another song on the same album repeats “the men were here to get your [things from this country],” and describes the addressee “walking gingerly across the bruised earth.”

ANSWER: **Belgium** [accept “Letter from **Belgium**” or “Your **Belgian** Things”]

[10m] “Letter from Belgium” and “Your Belgian Things” are songs from *We Shall All Be Healed*, an album by this North Carolina-based band fronted by John Darnielle.

ANSWER: The **Mountain Goats**

[10e] In *We Shall All Be Healed*, “Belgium” refers to the high achieved by using this drug. “Your Belgian Things” details the aftermath of an exposure in a lab used to synthesize this illegal stimulant.

ANSWER: **meth**amphetamine [or crystal **meth**; accept **N-methylamphetamine**; prompt on **methylamphetamine**]

<Folk/Country>

15. It’s not Fidel Castro, but Chris Barrie did an impression of this man claiming “history will absolve me” for the intro of a 12-inch mix of a famous single. For 10 points each:

[10h] Name this man who is later invoked in that same song with the lyrics “Cowboy Number 1, a born-again poor man’s son; on the air America, I modeled shirts by Van Heusen.”

ANSWER: Ronald **Reagan**

[10m] This song by Frankie Goes to Hollywood invoked the American and Russian leaders in a premonition of nuclear war, claiming that when the title entities go to war, “a point is all that you can score.”

ANSWER: “**Two Tribes**”

[10e] The repeated lyric “working for the black gas” in “Two Tribes” refers to how this fossil fuel’s value briefly surpassed that of gold in the early 1980’s.

ANSWER: **petroleum** [or crude **oil**]

<Pop 1980-1999>

16. The Axis of Awesome song “Birdplane” is an awful parody of a song about this character. For 10 points each:

[10m] Name this character who “watched the world float to the dark side of the moon” in a song that asks “if I go crazy, then will you still call me [this character]?”

ANSWER: **Superman** [prompt on **Kal-El**, I guess]

[10e] “Birdplane” is a parody of “Superman” by Five for Fighting, which was co-opted as an anthem memorializing the first responders in this 2001 event in New York City.

ANSWER: the **September 11th** attacks [or **9/11**]

[10h] This singer described a woman “talking to angels, counting the stars” in his song “Waiting for Superman.”

ANSWER: Chris **Daughtry**

<Common Link>

17. A 1994 cassette album by this solo artist with only 33 copies in existence was uploaded to 4chan in 2022. For 10 points each:

[10h] Name this guitarist who created *All Lights Fucked on the Hairy Amp Drooling*. He is the singer and guitarist for Thee Silver Mt. Zion Memorial Orchestra, and helped found another more famous post-rock band.

ANSWER: Efrim **Menuck** [full name Efrim Manuel **Menuck**]

[10m] Menuck (“men-NUCK”) is one of the founding members of this post-rock group behind *Lift Your Skinny Fists Like Antennas to Heaven*.

ANSWER: **Godspeed** You! Black Emperor [accept **GY!BE**, **GYBE**, or **God’s Pee**]

[10e] Menuck and the rest of Godspeed You! Black Emperor hail from this country, which also produced Arcade Fire and Rush.

ANSWER: **Canada**

<Rock 2000->

18. For 10 points each, answer some questions about songs used in *The Passion: New Orleans*, a jukebox TV musical that depicts the Passion of Christ through popular music:

[10e] As Jesus, Jencarlos Canela sang a cover of this song with the lyrics altered to depict God’s love for humanity. This butt-rock song by Creed tells the singer’s son “welcome to this place, I’ll show you everything.”

ANSWER: “**With Arms Wide Open**”

[10m] During the Last Supper, Canela sings this religiously-themed song by Train to plead with God that “I need a sign to let me know you’re here.”

ANSWER: “**Calling All Angels**”

[10h] As Pontius Pilate, this artist sings “Mad World” after condemning Jesus to death. In *Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping*, this artist is maimed by wolves after they’re aggravated by him singing “Ashley Wednesday.”

ANSWER: **Seal** [full name Seal Henry Olusegun Olumide Adeola **Samuel**]

<Musical Theater>

19. The opening lyrics of this song were inspired by the singer waking up surrounded by beautiful women and imagining P. Diddy in the same scenario. For 10 points each:

[10e] Name this dance-pop song by Kesha that is probably the namesake of a video-sharing app that merged with musical.ly.

ANSWER: “**TiK ToK**”

[10m] “TiK ToK” is the first song Kesha made with this songwriter and producer, who is likely the subject of her later song “Praying.” This producer sued Kesha for defamation after she unsuccessfully sued him for sexual assault.

ANSWER: **Dr. Luke** [or Lukasz Sebastian **Gottwald**; accept **Tyson Trax** or **Made in China**, I guess?]

[10h] Dr. Luke was *not* involved with this other single from Kesha’s debut album *Animal*. This song, which spells out its own title, mocks an old man for hitting on an 18-year-old, telling him “you need a CAT scan.”

ANSWER: “**Dinosaur**” (D I – N O – S A – U R A DINOSAUR!!!)

<Pop 2000-2009>

20. A 2015 article in *The Guardian* observed that many contemporary pop songs sounded like this song. For 10 points each:

[10m] Name this 1992 single by Robin S. that pioneered house music with one of the most iconic synth riffs of all time.

ANSWER: “**Show Me Love**”

[10h] *The Guardian*’s article specifically mentions this 2014 song, whose well-choreographed music video shows its singer, Keisza, getting out of a taxi in a bralette and suspenders and dancing down a Brooklyn street.

ANSWER: “**Hideaway**”

[10e] The riff from “Show Me Love” is sampled in “Used to Know Me” from this artist’s 2022 album *Crash*.

Despite brilliant projects like *Vroom Vroom* and *Pop 2*, this artist is probably still best known for “Boom Clap.”

ANSWER: **Charli XCX** [accept Charlotte Emma **Aitchison**]

<Any Pop>