

1. **The first meme involving this person parodied the United Kingdom Independence Party's Pledge to Britain and suggested the building of a giant thruster to steer the Earth into the sun. Other memes featuring this person claim that he is a (\*) pirate, chemist, chef, and pilot. Probably the most well-known meme involving this person shows him in front of a blue background and orange arrow, and is captioned "stonks." For ten points, name this poorly drawn, gray 3-D head, who, according to his namesake song, "can't really spell but does what he wants."**

Answer: Meme Man (accept "Mr. Succ" and prompt on "Stonks guy" before it is mentioned)

2. **This man once legendarily missed out on a solo grail when he failed to identify an Easy-Bake Oven. In his recurring nightmare, this man answers his phone and hears the sounds of a full-scale riot in the background. A joke page on the QBWiki claims that this man (\*) "can power five tossups at the same time" and "can edit mountains of questions so that every lead-in is cute." During the awards ceremony at the 2019 HSNCT, this man's microphone stopped working, with comedic results. For ten points, name this former Chief Technical Officer and President of National Academic Quiz Tournaments.**

Answer: R. Robert Hentzel (accept "R. Robot Hentzel")

3. **Description acceptable. In early 2019, complaints about this substance led to the creation of a sign encouraging readers to "read the sign on the wall." That same year, one Reddit user claimed that this substance had been infused with (\*) grit, while others called it "spicy" and "discount Yoohoo." The consistently poor quality of this substance in Young Hall led the Purdue Disability Resource Center to declare its use "not recommended." For ten points, name this sometimes-discolored substance piped around Purdue University for bathing and drinking.**

Answer: the water at Purdue University (accept anything involving "running water at Purdue University" or any buildings on campus; prompt on "running water")

4. In November 2022, this vehicle was used to map end-of-life oil fields in the North Sea while being tracked by satellite. While this vessel was under construction, recognition of the Spanish naval officer Blas de Lezo was promoted by a website that literally translates as CarsForum. (\*) Some internet users suggested naming the mothership of this vessel after a cancer-stricken girl or an Antarctic explorer, but a plurality voted in favor of this ship's current name. For ten points, name this autonomous underwater vehicle carried onboard the RRS *Sir David Attenborough*, which was given its humorous name by a 2016 online poll.

Answer: Boaty McBoatface

5. Description acceptable. The side of a person in a flannel shirt is present on the right side of this work, which also features a gray backpack on the lower left. The creation of this work, which its artist described as a "surrealist masterpiece," prompted a discussion that led Stan Melkumian to remark, "Good thing I wasn't planning on eating at Wiley today." (\*) This work prominently features a blue water bottle, and depicts its central figure on his phone while in line for a hamburger. Due to the reflective properties of glass, the artist and the Co-Rec are both visible in the background of this image. For ten points, name or describe this image depicting the author of this packet, taken by a certain Purdue quiz bowler in the lobby of Wiley Dining Court.

Answer: Grant Maiorana's snipe of Reilly Melville in Wiley Dining Court on October 4th, 2022

6. Pencil and paper ready. Mitch Daniels wants to know how many academic quiz bowl tournaments Purdue's team has won, making the incorrect but simplifying assumption that all such tournaments have properly recorded stats posted on the internet. He could look the answer up on the internet, but happens to remember that it is equal to the digit in the ones place in the sum of the number of games Purdue won at both national championships in 2022. Given that Purdue finished one game above .500 over fifteen games at 2022 ACF Nationals, and one game below .500 over thirteen games at the 2022 ICT, compute, (\*) for ten points, the number of quiz bowl tournaments Purdue's team has won.

Answer: 4

7. **One of these texts, published in February 2014, claims that their author “get[s] libeled by moron bloggers who can’t afford a suit.” Another of these texts notes the “amazing” death of a state health director in a plane crash, while others point out the alleged deleterious effects of (\*) wind turbines on a certain bird species. The most recent of these texts indicates that their author would not be attending an event on January 20th, 2021, and led to the cessation of their publication by a social media platform now owned by Elon Musk. The 45th President of the United States authored, for ten points, what collection of short blog posts that led to his excommunication from a major social media platform that isn’t owned by Meta.**

Answer: tweets by Donald John Trump (accept “tweets from @realDonaldTrump”; prompt on “tweets”; prompt on “statements made by Donald John Trump”)

8. **Indiana University basketball fans once sang this company’s jingle before a game in which they directed disparaging chants toward Isaac Haas’ epileptic sister. One ad for this company depicts pigeons who encourage residents of New York City to use this company’s flagship service by singing its (\*) distinctive jingle, while others feature couples practicing archery, horse-riding, and fishing together. “City folks just don’t get it” according to, for ten points, what online dating service marketed toward rural singles.**

Answer: farmersonly.com

9. **During its climactic confrontation, this film’s villain tells one of the protagonists, “now you see that evil will always triumph because good is dumb.” Soon after, both combatants’ weapons are revealed to be Cracker Jack box prizes. Earlier in this film, that same villain had ascertained the hero’s identity because “there’s only one man who would *dare* give me the raspberry.” (\*) Lone Starr and his half-man, half-dog companion Barf spend much of this movie fleeing a ship commanded by Dark Helmet while taking advice from Yogurt about how to utilize the mysterious Schwartz. For ten points, name this 1987 Mel Gibson-directed parody of a popular space opera franchise.**

Answer: Spaceballs