

Super ACRONYM 4 - Round 10

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1. **A Korean scientist created a unique smell for these characters that is stored in the Little Wonders facility. A psycho-analyst obsessed with metamorphosis turns Mark Meltzer and Augustus Sinclair into examples of these characters. Milton Porter discovers he has become one of these characters at the end of the "Minerva's Den" DLC. The first encounter with one of these characters occurs at the Medical Pavilion's entrance after retrieving a (*) bathysphere key from Dr. Steinman. An early version of one of these characters nicknamed Subject Delta is bonded to Eleanor in a 2010 video game sequel. Models of these characters, including "Rosies" and "Bouncers," were created to defend ADAM harvesters that often call them "Mr. Bubbles." For 10 points, gigantic drills are often wielded by what diving suit-inspired characters in *Bioshock* who are paired with Little Sisters?**

ANSWER: **Big Daddy** [accept **Rosies** or **Bouncers** or **Mr. Bubbles** before mention; prompt on **Daddy**] <Evans>

2. **In the pilot episode of one series, the members of this group meet a mysterious man in an abandoned castle after escaping a slave dungeon. The AI mentor "Amalgamus" reluctantly reinstated this group in a 1998 3D CGI series about this unit subtitled *The Third Dimension*. Sky Marshall Wade goes rogue in a 2011 Nicktoons reboot named for this group's "Force." The original TV show about this group was based on a Japanese series whose title included the term (*) *Beast King*. Sven was replaced by Shiro as one of the "Paladins" of this group in a 2016 DreamWorks reboot. Prince Lotor and Emperor Zarkon oppose this group of pilots, whose "blue" and "yellow" components comprise a larger structure's legs. For 10 points, name this group of space pilots who control five mechanical lions that can merge.**

ANSWER: **Voltron** Force [accept answers like the **Voltron** pilots or the Paladins from **Voltron**; accept **Voltron: The Third Dimension** or **Voltron: Legendary Defender**] <Maharjan>

3. **The protagonist of this short film dips a single coffee bean into a cup of hot water, then hastily hides it back in his safe out of fear of being caught. This short film had its title changed to capitalize on bandleader Spike Jones's hit version of its humorous featured song. In this short film, a calisthenics routine in front of a flimsy backdrop of the Alps interrupts the protagonist's job, which involves tightening artillery shells on a (*) conveyor belt. This short film begins with a routine by an army marching band whose sousaphone player is a racist caricature of Hideki Tojo. Crowing roosters, alarm clocks, and factory whistles all scream "heil Hitler!" in, for 10 points, what notorious piece of Walt Disney wartime propaganda starring Donald Duck?**

ANSWER: **Der Fuehrer's Face** [accept **Donald Duck in Nutziland**] <Vopava>

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4. This song was the subject of a lawsuit by Attrakt, a production company that alleged the development group The Givers stole its copyright; that lawsuit over this song also impacted its performers' ability to film a video for the follow-up single, the movie tie-in song "Barbie Dreams." A faster version of this song is credited to the artist "Sped Up 8282" in some streaming platforms; another version of it, known as the "Twin version," features English lyrics performed by group members (*) Aran and Sio. During performances, a bow and arrow motion accompanies this song's chorus, which describes "being a hopeless romantic all my life" and "giving a second chance" to its title figure, who is said to be "so dumb." For 10 points, name this K-pop hit by Fifty Fifty titled for a god of love.

ANSWER: "Cupid" <Evans>

5. The venue best known for hosting this game was used to film the competition scenes in the original *Rollerball* film. One team in this game intentionally started a fight with the opposing team's leading scorer, Dwight Jones, to successfully get him ejected. This game featured the so-called "golden pass," which a repositioning by future congressman Tom McMillen made possible. A 2022 *Athletic* article revealed that former (*) Nazi factory owner Willi Daume stole an item left behind after this game. An unexplained horn sound interrupted a late free throw in this game by Doug Collins. Alexander Belov making a winning layup in this game after its final seconds were restarted twice. Silver medals were refused by the losing team of, for 10 points, what basketball game in Munich, the first ever Olympic loss for the U.S. men's team?

ANSWER: 1972 Olympic Men's Basketball Gold Medal Game [accept answers containing final or championship instead of "gold medal game"; accept Munich Olympics in place of "1972 Olympics" before "Munich" is read; prompt on less specific answers like basketball game between the United States and Soviet Union] <Weiner>

6. Dwight Butler is shot and killed for allegedly stealing the idea for one of these constructs, which a scheming governor describes as "exactly what America needs." After watching a film about them, the parking attendant Martin Lomax vows to make one of these constructs, for which he enlists the help of Ashlynn Yennie, an actress playing an unhappy version of herself. The "3Dog" was a (*) predecessor to these constructs, which filmmaker Tom Six dubiously claimed a consultant confirmed to be "medically accurate." Dr. Josef Heiter designed these constructs and made the first of them using several tourists abducted in Germany. A horror film subtitled "First Sequence" introduced the concept of, for 10 points, what disgusting constructs in which people are sewn together?

ANSWER: a human centipede <Nelson>

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7. In a 2011 contest named "Battle of the Ages," contenders for this title were coached by Anna Kournikova. In 2004 36-year-old Ryan Benson became the first winner of this title, whose most accomplished holder—in pure percentage terms—is Rachel Frederickson, doing so in a season titled *Second Chances 2*. Those competing for this title were imperiled if their team fell below the (*) "yellow line." Contestants who left "the Ranch" could still compete for the "At-Home" variant of this title, which was awarded in four instances during "Couples" seasons. Prospective winners of this title on an NBC show were regularly posed Temptation challenges and were initially trained by Bob Harper and Jillian Michaels. For 10 points, give this ironic title attained by winners of a 2005-to-2020 series whose competitors were all overweight.

ANSWER: The **Biggest Loser** [accept answers identifying winners of *The Biggest Loser*] <Vopava>

8. According to a Rory Gallagher song, "people came from north and south" to see a person with this trait, who is asked "is it too late?" in the song's chorus. A person with this trait "came for everyone" according to the Foo Fighters and Zac Brown collaboration "Congregation." A ten-minute song about a person with this trait titles an album that also includes "The Clairvoyant" and "Can I Play With Madness." After claiming he may not be "your (*) Third Man," Jack White claims to have this trait in the White Stripes' song "Ball & Biscuit." Bob Dylan's "Highway 61 Revisited" claims that the "second mother" was with a man with this trait, another of whom is described as "the chosen one" in a song by Iron Maiden. Healing powers or other magical abilities are said to be held by, for 10 points, what trait of having numerous older brothers?

ANSWER: being the **seventh son** (of a seventh son) <Nelson>

9. In a 1960 hoax, a man attempting to take this action burned a blank lease he bought at a stationary store, but claimed it was a real lease that he disagreed with. A power struggle between the brothers Roy and Earle, whose father was a manager, preceded the first of these actions in 1954. A man who enacted one of these actions, Charlie Finley, once threatened to establish a temporary stadium in a cow pasture in Peculiar, (*) Missouri and was vocally opposed by Senator Stuart Symington. One of these actions planned by John Fisher inspired a reverse boycott in June 2023 that featured a crowdfunding giveaway of green shirts reading "SELL." For 10 points, name this action in which a storied baseball team departed Philadelphia, Kansas City, and in the near future, Oakland.

ANSWER: **moving** the **Athletics** [accept synonyms like **relocating** in place of "moving"; accept **A's** instead of "Athletics"; accept answers mentioning **moving the Athletics to Kansas City, Oakland, or Las Vegas** OR answers mentioning **moving the Athletics from Philadelphia, Kansas City, or Oakland**; prompt on answers like **moving a baseball team**] <Weiner>

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10. **This food item partially titles a 2023 documentary about a father and son's exploration of the racism behind Native sports team names. One origin story of this food item claims it was invented to satiate the hunger of a young Victor Amadeus II. In a classic Tumblr meme, a woman learning of a date's opposition to feminism results in her putting this food item in her purse. In 2015, a chain owned by (*) Darden Restaurants briefly offered a sandwich that made use of unusually large versions of these food items along with a chicken parm. This food, which originated as the Italian "grissini," is carried around in baskets that are brought to tables at the fast food chain Fazoli's. An infamously quaint review by Marilyn Hagerty mentioned a pair of "long, warm" examples of, for 10 points, what food served alongside salads in unlimited fashion at Olive Garden?**

ANSWER: breadsticks [accept grissini before mention; accept Hail to the Breadsticks; prompt on bread] <Nelson>

11. **This character is revealed to have been elected governor in an unrealized 1997 revival that would have co-starred Gary Busey. In one episode, this character is visited by an aunt played by Helen Hayes in a guest role that earned Hayes an Emmy nomination. Because this character mysteriously departed before a final season, this character does not aid in the capture of his boss's nemesis, Wo (*) Fat. This character's actor, James MacArthur, died before he could film a cameo in a 2010 reboot series. Scott Caan played this character in that reboot that also starred Daniel Dae Kim as Chin Ho Kelly. A phrase usually directed to this character by Captain Steve McGarret would also specify offenses like "murder one." For 10 points, name this young policeman often told to "book 'em" at the end of *Hawaii Five-O* episodes.**

ANSWER: Danny "Danno" Williams [accept either underlined] <Maharjan>

12. **The 1980 version of this event awarded no winners after being cancelled during its semifinal stage due to rain. The venue used for this event was the first one to use a specially designed "Pro Purple" color designed for its exact opposition to a shade of yellow. This event typically concludes only a few days before the subsequent event in the Masters 1000 series starts in Miami. The 2001 running of this event featured constant, shockingly racist jeers directed at eventual champion (*) Serena Williams; the Williams sisters thereafter boycotted this event for 14 years. The BNP Paribas Open is the official name of this event, but due to constant sponsorship switches, most players call it by the name of the Coachella Valley town that hosts it. For 10 points, name this unofficial "fifth Grand Slam" tennis tournament in California.**

ANSWER: Indian Wells Masters [or Indian Wells Open; accept BNP Paribas Open before "BNP"] <Vopava>

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13. **This phrase concludes each pre-chorus in the Walk the Moon song "Different Colors," directly following the lyric "this is why we're bitin' the bullet." This phrase lends its name to Chloe x Halle's 2018 debut album. The *negative* of this phrase titles a 1999 song that asks "how could one little street swallow so many lives?" This phrase was coined by a song whose second verse rhymes "bells chime" with (*) "sometimes." This phrase titles a 1979 documentary that includes its central band's performance of "See Me, Feel Me" at Woodstock and records the last concert performance by Keith Moon. The claim "I don't mind other guys dancing with my girl" opens a song by The Who titled after, for 10 points, what phrase that assures the listener of the security of children?**

ANSWER: the **kids are alright** [or (we know) the **kids are all right**] <Vopava>

14. **In an early role, this actor played Ledo, the son of Paul Atreides in a miniseries based on *Children of Dune*. While playing Tom Lefroy in a 2007 film, this actor had to literally burn his disc of *The Elder Scrolls IV: Oblivion* in a stove to break his gaming addiction. This man and Sharon Horgan portrayed an unnamed couple whose romance utterly disintegrates during COVID in the BBC film *Together*. In a 2017 thriller, this actor plays the unhinged (*) Percival, who kills Bakhtin in an alleyway to acquire an all-important watch. This man, whose dignified early career included playing Jane Austen's lover in *Becoming Jane*, played the title mad scientist of the 2015 film *Victor Frankenstein*. Charlize Theron's co-star in *Atomic Blonde* was, for 10 points, what Scottish actor and star of *Split*?**

ANSWER: James **McAvoy** <Vopava>

15. **Several of the core characters in this book series spy on a woman with adult braces while she watches a vividly colored cartoon on TV. A recurring scene in these books is Howie being rendered speechless until Eddie Baker smacks him back to reality. Debbie Dadey and Marcia Thornton Jones wrote this series, whose ninth book is set at Camp Lone Wolf and concerns a man who favors pink (*) sunglasses. In the first book in this series, Mrs. Deedee is finally driven to quit and is quickly replaced by series regular Mrs. Jeepers, who wears a green brooch, has a funny accent, and notably wears polka dots. A dentist who may be Hercules and a lunchlady who may be Cupid figure in, for 10 points, what 1990s children's novel series whose titles include *Leprechauns Don't Play Basketball*?**

ANSWER: **Bailey School** Kids [or The Adventures of the **Bailey School** Kids] <Vopava>

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16. On TV Tropes, the trope dedicated to this type of movement is exemplified by a sitcom character played by Sean O'Neal. Stiles Stilinski is actively taking this type of movement when he is introduced in the series *Teen Wolf*. Recurring instances of this type of movement on *Chuck* led to a certain object being called the "Morgan Door." A clunking sound, the phrase "Hi Sam," and a (*) guitar riff immediately preceded a movement of this type on a 1990s Nickelodeon sitcom. Vinnie Delpino used this type of movement when he visited a brilliant young doctor in nearly every episode of *Doogie Howser, M.D.*, as well as by the neighbors Zack and Jessie on *Saved by the Bell*. For some reason, nearly every character on *Dawson's Creek* visited Dawson by using a ladder to take, for 10 points, what theoretically sneaky way of entering a room?

ANSWER: entering through a window [accept answers describing climbing through a window; prompt on using a ladder before "ladder"; prompt on answers like entering a room or sneaking into a room] <Nelson>

17. In his freshman year of college, this player shared playing time with the son of Barry Sanders, whose single-season all-purpose yards record was beaten by this player a year later. This player's father is the head coach of the Northern Colorado Bears and led the Denver Broncos in receiving yards in Super Bowl XXXII (32). Marshall Faulk, Roger Craig, and this player are the only NFL players to accumulate 1,000 rushing *and* (*) 1,000 receiving yards in a single season. This player flipped over Jacksonville's Tre Herndon on a 2019 touchdown run at Bank of America Stadium. In the 2023 NFC Championship Game, this player briefly served as his team's emergency quarterback while Josh Johnson and Brock Purdy were injured. In 2022, the San Francisco 49ers traded multiple draft picks to acquire, for 10 points, what running back that was drafted by the Carolina Panthers?

ANSWER: Christian (Jackson) McCaffrey <Andert>

18. In 2022 Disney Cruise Line announced that their newest ship was, weirdly, an unofficial "godparent" for every single holder of this distinction, including future ones. One holder of this honor was the designer of the oblex, a mind-eating ooze introduced in 5th Edition *Dungeons & Dragons*. In a PR nightmare, Food Network personality Ina Garten twice (*) declined to meet with a holder of this distinction. In 2013 San Francisco resident Miles Scott parlayed this distinction into a brief stint as Batkid. People between 2 and 18 years of age must be officially referred by a family member or doctor into receiving this distinction, whose holders have been visited over 600 times by John Cena. For 10 points, give this distinction bestowed by a certain charity upon critically sick children?

ANSWER: Make-a-Wish kid [accept answers involving the recipient of a wish by Make-a-Wish; prompt on answers like kids with cancer or terminally-ill children] <Vopava>

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19. The oil platform Chuai Station was the first to discover this character, which was incorrectly thought to be connected to the ARG *Ethan Haas Was Right*. Despite warnings from her husband Michael, Ava Hamilton and a physicist played by Daniel Bruhl are killed by this character while aboard an escape capsule. An object that ostensibly holds this character is seen falling into the (*) water during a depiction of a day at Coney Island. Several people who are wrong claim that this character attacks the stranded James Kirk on an ice planet in the 2009 reboot of *Star Trek*. Hud, a dude played by T. J. Miller, films a going-away party for Rob that is interrupted by the presence of this character in a film by Matt Reeves. The Statue of Liberty's head is thrown into the street by, for 10 points, what creature that wreaks havoc in New York in a 2008 found footage horror film?

ANSWER: the *Cloverfield* monster [accept Clover; accept answers like the alien from *Cloverfield* or *The Cloverfield Paradox*] <Nelson>

20. This group was the target of the Chubb Rock diss track "Yabadabadoo"; this group's response to the track quickly became their biggest hit. The Deftones' Chino Moreno provided a spoken-word intro to a nu-metal influenced song by this group about being a figure with a "big house, five cars." Along with three members of Rage Against the Machine and two members of Public Enemy, a member of this group formed the group (*) Prophets of Rage. Members of this group described "something you can't understand" on their early hit "How I Could Just Kill a Man," which they recorded in both English and Spanish. This group's frontman asks "Don't you know I'm loco?" at the start of a hit highly inspired by House of Pain's "Jump Around," in which Sen Dog claims he's "got no" instance of the song's title object. B-Real is the frontman of, for 10 points, what group behind "Insane in the Brain"?

ANSWER: Cypress Hill <Nelson>

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1. For 10 points each, answer the following about rock groups who had album covers inspired by Cyrus Edwin Dallin's equestrian statue *Appeal to the Great Spirit*:

[10] This mentally fraught leader of the Beach Boys chose an image of the statue as the logo for their label, Brother Records, and used it on the cover of their 1973 live album.

ANSWER: Brian (Douglas) **Wilson**

[10] *Lysol*, a 1992 album by this sludgy rock band led by Buzz Osbourne, has a cover depicting a painting of the sculpture. This group named itself after a convenience store clerk who had, according to the band, a mockable first name.

ANSWER: **Melvins**

[10] The sculpture also appears on the cover of an album by the Keef Hartley Band, whose namesake leader began his career as a replacement for this man in the group Rory Storm and the Hurricanes.

ANSWER: Ringo **Starr** [or Sir Richard **Starkey**; prompt on **Ringo**] <Nelson>

2. This character gets through a pivotal inning thanks to a highly questionable hidden ball trick, a pickoff that should've been a balk, and a strikeout using an eephus pitch. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this generally untalented 12-year-old baseball fan, whose recovery from a broken arm somehow gives him the ability to throw a 100 mile-per-hour fastball.

ANSWER: **Henry Rowengartner** [accept either]

[10] Henry Rowengartner's newfound abilities land him a job playing for the Cubs in this 1993 family film, which is titled for an award given to a young player who is very good.

ANSWER: **Rookie of the Year**

[10] *Rookie of the Year* was the directorial debut of this actor, who also played the dimwitted Marv in the first *Home Alone* films.

ANSWER: Daniel (Jacob) **Stern** <Nelson>

3. In a 2019 press conference, this man sought to clarify "what mythical powers does the Sun Devil have" in a shockingly detailed answer about a hypothetical mascot fight. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this former Texas Tech, Washington State, and Mississippi State head coach who unexpectedly passed away in December 2022.

ANSWER: Mike **Leach** [or Michael Charles **Leach**]

[10] Leach was a pioneer of this offensive scheme which relies heavily on picking up yards almost exclusively through the passing game through its use of four wide receivers. It is named for a type of plane-based assault.

ANSWER: **air raid**

[10] Leach left Texas Tech after this former Patriots running back raised allegations that his son had been abused after Leach refused to give him more playing time. The internet responded with a smear campaign claiming this man "killed five hookers" while he played for SMU.

ANSWER: Craig **James** [or Jesse Craig **James**] <Weiner>

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4. Before leaving the back of a karaoke bar, a character delivers this insult after feeling confronted over apologizing for an issue with "Mom in Italy." For 10 points each:

[10] Give or approximate this insult delivered by Logan Roy to his children after telling them "I love you" and dramatically pausing.

ANSWER: "(but) you are not **serious people**" [accept very close equivalents]

[10] "Not serious people" and "taking advice from a clown who dives headfirst into the shallow end of the pool" are two of the many insults delivered by this actor in his role as Logan Roy on *Succession*.

ANSWER: Brian (Denis) **Cox**

[10] The Roys' karaoke bar bickering began over this company's acquisition of Waystar. This streaming company headed by Matsson installs Tom Wambsgans as CEO in the show's finale.

ANSWER: **GoJo** <Evans>

5. A desire to avoid sitting on the cold ground in prison is an alleged origin of this subculture's tendency to be seen squatting. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this Eastern European subculture closely associated with wearing tracksuits and listening to hardbass music.

ANSWER: **gopniks** [or **gopniki**; or **hopnyk**; accept **gopota**]

[10] Gopniks often enjoy this snack, of which Mikhail Bulgakov quipped that Moscow would become a paradise without. In the US, a popular version of this snack is produced by David.

ANSWER: **sunflower seeds** [prompt on **seeds**]

[10] Davay's hardbass song "Three Stripes" is named for gopnik jumpsuits produced by this company, whose namesake's brother founded Puma.

ANSWER: **Adidas** <Evans>

6. Though it was intended to sound like an antiquated folk ballad, this song was actually written in 1979 by singer-songwriter Pete St. John. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this song about a man who steals food in the title Irish town during the Great Famine. It has been adopted as an anthem by numerous Irish sports teams.

ANSWER: "The **Fields of Athenry**" (ATH-en-"rye")

[10] Virtually every Irish musical act has covered "Fields of Athenry," including Paddy Reilley, the Dubliners, and this virtuoso nicknamed "The Man with the Golden Flute."

ANSWER: (Sir) James **Galway**

[10] A version of "Fields of Athenry" performed with an Irish choir is the last known recording of this singer, who spent several years living surprisingly anonymously in Ireland after he was acquitted of child molestation in 2005.

ANSWER: Michael (Joseph) **Jackson** <Nelson>

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7. This website has assigned a half-dozen different nicknames to pitcher Bronson Arroyo, including Free Love, BroYo, and Saturn Nuts. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this incredibly useful website that chronicles every MLB game and player in great detail. Its name is the 'B' in the stat "bWAR."

ANSWER: **Baseball Reference** [accept **baseball-reference.com**]

[10] In July 2023, Baseball Reference acquired this virally popular game, in which users must identify current and former players who meet multiple criteria across a 9-square object.

ANSWER: **Immaculate Grid**

[10] Not wanting to ever be inaccurate, a 2020 update to Baseball Reference, per its change log, "Raised maximum displayable age to 78" so this player's career could be detailed properly.

ANSWER: Minnie **Miñoso** [or Orestes **Miñoso**; accept Saturnino Orestes Armas **Miñoso** Arrieta] <Nelson>

8. After numerous attempts to create a third film starring this character, a 2022 reboot was finally released whose title encourages this man to "Confess." For 10 points each:

[10] Name this *Los Angeles Times* reporter originally portrayed by Chevy Chase in a pair of 80s comedy mystery films.

ANSWER: **Fletch** [or **Irwin Fletcher**; accept any underlined portion; accept **Confess, Fletch**]

[10] Fletch was played by this actor in 2022's *Fletch Lives*. Prior to playing Admiral Cyclone in *Top Gun: Maverick*, this man starred as Don Draper on *Mad Men*.

ANSWER: Jon **Hamm** [or Jonathan Daniel **Hamm**]

[10] *Confess, Fletch* is the most recent release from this director whose other comedies include 2008's *Adventureland* and 2011's *Paul*.

ANSWER: Greg **Mottola** [or Gregory J. **Mottola**] <Weiner>

9. A character in this TV series is sabotaged from the inside by Admiral Whiskers, a rat whose mother was run over by a car the character was driving. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this series in which that character, Robotman, is engineered by Niles Caulder. Its other characters include Jane, a woman with 64 distinct personalities.

ANSWER: **Doom Patrol**

[10] In *Doom Patrol's* first season, Admiral Whiskers forms an alliance with Mr. Nobody, a reality-shaping villain played by this actor. He may be best known for playing Wash in *Firefly* and *Serenity*.

ANSWER: Alan (Wray) **Tudyk** (TOO-dik)

[10] Whiskers also forms an alliance and romantic relationship with Ezekiel, a hyper-intelligent one of these insects. Tony Montana uses the name of this gross insect as an insult in *Scarface*.

ANSWER: **cockroach** [or **roach**] <Nelson>

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10. Ava DuVernay was set to direct a now-scrapped film centering on this hero and adapted from Jack Kirby's *New Gods* series. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this former leader of the Furies who left after falling in love with Mister Miracle and traveling to Earth. Kirby based her physique on *Playboy* model Lainie Kazan.

ANSWER: Big **Barda**

[10] Barda and the other Furies defend Darkseid, the dictator of this planet. This should not be confused with a Marvel villain with a phonetically similar name who was once known as En Sabah Nur.

ANSWER: **Apokolips** [or **Apocalypse**]

[10] Wonder Woman recruited Barda to infiltrate Apokolips and save this other hero, the daughter of Zor-El who arrived to Earth later than a Kryptonian cousin.

ANSWER: **Supergirl** [or **Kara** Zor-El; or Linda **Lang**] <Evans>

11. For 10 points each, answer the following about Kenny Beats, a former EDM producer that Pitchfork called the "Prodigal Son" of hip-hop producing:

[10] Kenny performed the songs "Still" and "Last Words" during one of these performances at NPR in February 2023. These performances are named for their proximity to a minuscule piece of furniture.

ANSWER: **Tiny Desk** Concert(s)

[10] In a viral video, Kenny was seen remixing songs by Young Thug and Playboy Carti during a DJ set at this city's Boiler Room. This city's synth-heavy beats are made by producers like Zaytoven (**ZAY-toh-ven**) and exported by stars like Gucci Mane.

ANSWER: **Atlanta**

[10] Kenny interspersed radio-themed skits in between tracks like "Feels Like Summer" on this artist's album *FM!* This artist claimed to be "countin' up hundreds by the thousand" in his song "Big Fish."

ANSWER: Vince **Staples** [or Vincent Jamal **Staples**] <Evans>

12. 2022 featured two films that featured both Hong Chau in a supporting role *and* a character who claims to be from this city. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this Midwestern city home to Thomas, a young missionary, and Margot, an escort working under a pseudonym. Thomas seemingly decides to return to this city at the end of *The Whale*.

ANSWER: **Waterloo**, Iowa

[10] It is revealed that Margot is actually from Waterloo and not Grand Island, Nebraska in this 2022 film which concludes with her eating a cheeseburger on a boat as the only survivor of the film's increasingly violent events.

ANSWER: *The **Menu***

[10] Therese and the title character finally consummate their love in a motel room in Waterloo, Iowa in this acclaimed 2015 lesbian romance film by Todd Haynes, which sadly does not also include Hong Chau.

ANSWER: **Carol** <Weiner>

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13. The sixth season of this show, which revived it after a five-year hiatus, introduced its title characters' parents. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this 2000s Nickelodeon animated series based on a namesake series of books by Rosemary Wells. It features a pair of bunnies who, at least until its sixth season, seemingly live alone without any adult supervision.

ANSWER: **Max & Ruby**

[10] *Max & Ruby* reruns often aired on this sister channel to Nickelodeon that was specifically aimed at younger audiences and was hosted by Moose and Zee.

ANSWER: **Noggin**

[10] For most of the first two seasons, Ruby was voiced by Samantha Morton, who got her start in a 1996 television adaptation of this Jane Austen novel. 1996 also brought us a film based on this novel starring Gwyneth Paltrow.

ANSWER: **Emma** <Weiner>

14. Jared, an athlete with this surname, played in just two professional games, nearly 1,100 fewer than any of his older siblings. For 10 points each:

[10] Give this surname shared by four hockey-playing brothers. Three of them, including Jared, started on the same line together in a 2017 game.

ANSWER: **Staal** (stahl) [accept Jared (John) **Stahl**]

[10] Jared Staal, along with his brothers Eric and Jordan, briefly played together for this NHL team whose logo is a puck surrounded by a storm.

ANSWER: **Carolina Hurricanes** [accept either; prompt on Canes]

[10] The other brother, the Panthers' Marc Staal, played against Eric and Jordan in the 2023 Eastern Conference Finals; three brothers had not competed in the same playoff series since 1992 when Rich, Ron, and Brent, siblings with this surname, did so as members of the Blues and Blackhawks.

ANSWER: **Sutter** [accept Rich **Sutter** or Ron **Sutter** or Brent **Sutter**] <Nelson>

15. A viral June 2023 interview conducted by Hasan Minhaj asked numerous questions about the authorship of these lists. For 10 points each:

[10] Name or describe these lists, usually released every December. Minhaj specifically challenged the inclusion of the song "Life is Good" by SiR and Scribz Riley on one of them in 2022.

ANSWER: **end of year** lists by Barack **Obama** [accept equivalent answers mentioning **Barack Obama**'s favorite things of each **year**; prompt on less specific answers like Obama's lists or end of year lists]

[10] Refusing to believe that Obama was actually the one behind the lists, Minhaj asked the former president to provide a plot summary of the 2020 novel *Afterlives* by this Nobel laureate set in colonial German Africa.

ANSWER: Abdulrazak **Gurnah**

[10] Soon after his interview with Minhaj, Obama released a "Summertime" playlist that included this group's song "Not Strong Enough." Lucy Dacus, a member of this group, quote-tweeted Obama's list with the phrase "war criminal" and a frowny face.

ANSWER: **boygenius** <Weiner>

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16. An IndieGogo campaign to raise money to produce this game yielded just 12 dollars. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this critically reviled 2018 shooter set in the *Half-Life* universe that is packed with likely stolen content. It centers on a revenge-seeking marine from the first game in the series.

ANSWER: **Hunt Down the Freeman**

[10] The protagonist of *Hunt Down the Freeman* believes he was injured by Gordon Freeman at this research facility where *Half-Life* is set. A third-person spinoff of *Half-Life* is also named for this place.

ANSWER: **Black Mesa** Research Facility [accept **Black Mesa**]

[10] *Hunt Down the Freeman* has not been formally endorsed by this developer of *Half-Life*, but despite its controversies has not removed it from their Steam platform.

ANSWER: **Valve** Corporation [or **Valve** Software] <Nelson>

17. PETA's Person of the Year in 2022 was this actor, who protested Starbucks's tax on non-dairy milk by supergluing his hand to a Starbucks counter. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this actor and environmentalist, whose roles include the farmer Arthur Hoggett, who tells the title character "That'll do, pig" in a 1995 family film.

ANSWER: James (Oliver) **Cromwell**

[10] James Cromwell was Frank Darabont's only choice to play the warden in this 1999 Stephen King adaptation about the gifted prisoner John Coffey.

ANSWER: *The **Green Mile***

[10] Cromwell's film debut was as the chauffeur to Milo Perrier, a parody of Hercule Poirot, in this 1975 comedy whodunnit written by Neil Simon. Its wide-ranging cast included Truman Capote and David Niven.

ANSWER: **Murder by Death** <Vopava>

18. In 2007 the band behind this song sued Activision, claiming that the soundalike cover made for *Guitar Hero: Rocks the 80s* sounded too much like the original. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this song by the Romantics, whose chorus pleads "keep on whispering in my ear."

ANSWER: "**What I Like About You**"

[10] A pop rock cover of "What I Like About You" was included on some versions of the debut album of this Australian band, which also included the hits "She Looks so Perfect" and "Amnesia."

ANSWER: **5 Seconds of Summer** [or **5SOS**]

[10] The Romantics' most successful single in the U.S. was *not* "What I Like About You," but this 1983 song, which was interpolated by The Weeknd for the song "Secrets."

ANSWER: "**Talking In Your Sleep**" <Nelson>

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19. Because this show had very good taste, its main character Sheridan Crane was occasionally visited by her guardian angel, Princess Diana. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this NBC soap opera, which was the last such show created for U.S. broadcast TV. Its singularly outrageous, semi-comic plotlines included a little boy who was a doll brought to life.

ANSWER: **Passions**

[10] The town witch on *Passions* had this first name, which is likely an homage to Samantha Stevens's daughter on *Bewitched*.

ANSWER: **Tabitha** Lenox [accept **Tabitha** Stevens; prompt on "Lenox"]

[10] *Passions* was the brainchild of James E. Reilly, a divisive writer who had introduced a "possessed by Satan" story arc on this other NBC soap opera. Its opening sequence notes that its title things are "like sands through the hourglass."

ANSWER: **Days of Our Lives** <Vopava>

20. Qyntel Woods, one of several players whose behavior inspired this moniker, was once fined for using one of his own trading cards as an ID during a traffic stop. For 10 points each:

[10] Give this derisive term that described an NBA team whose players, including Ruben Patterson and Zach Randolph, had a remarkable number of simultaneous legal issues.

ANSWER: **"Jail Blazers"** [accept Portland **Jail Blazers**]

[10] Rasheed Wallace, a member of the so-called "Jail Blazers," once attempted to fight Arvydas, a Lithuanian giant with this surname who later told an interviewer "I will kill him." His son Domantas, who also has this surname, is a current NBA star.

ANSWER: **Sabonis** (suh-BOH-niss) [accept Arvydas **Sabonis** or Domantas **Sabonis**]

[10] This other "Jail Blazer" and former co-captain of the team once claimed he had blacked out before an incident in which he flipped off a fan. This Ball State alum ultimately had a ten-year career in the NBA.

ANSWER: Bonzi **Wells** [or Gawen DeAngelo **Wells**] <Nelson>