

Round of Questions submitted for the 1982 NIT by Mike Decker

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Toss-Ups

- 1) "Deep in my dungeon
I welcome you here
Deep in my dungeon
I worship your fear
Deep in my dungeon
I dwell.
I do not know
if I wish you well."

For 10 points, this old rhyme introduces what massive 1979 work by Norman Mailer?

Answer: The Executioner's Song

(Norman Mailer, The Executioner's Song, 1979, p. 11)

- 2) He summed up his findings in 1958 with: "The conception of objective reality . . . evaporated into the . . . mathematics that represents no longer the behavior of elementary particles but rather our knowledge of this behavior." For 10 points, who was this physicist who discovered the natural limits of our perception of elementary particles?

Answer: Werner Heisenberg

(Michael Talbot, Mysticism and the New Physics, 1981, p. 3; New Columbia Encyclopedia, 1975, p. 1217)

- 3) The Serpent's Mouth and the Dragon's Mouths separate it from the mainland of South America. For 10 points, name this independent and oil-rich pair of islands lying just off the coast of Venezuela.

Answer: Trinidad & Tobago

(National Geographic Magazine, January 1970, map insert)

- 4) In 1860, he was pulled off a train in Lynchburg, Virginia; assaulted, abused, and dragged to a tree with a rope around his neck to be lynched. He survived only because the mob decided that his constituents in Tennessee should have the privilege of hanging him. For 10 points, who was this sole Southern senator who refused to secede with his state?

Answer: Andrew Johnson

(John F. Kennedy, Profiles in Courage, 1956, p. 200)

- 5) A 1901 self-portrait, simply signed "Yo," was recently sold to an American art collector for \$5.3 million--a record for a 20th-century work. For 10 points, who was the artist?

Answer: Pablo Picasso

(1982 Encyclopedia Americana annual, p. 96)

- 6) In the Periodic Table of elements, it is diagonally adjacent to Zinc and Platinum; horizontally adjacent to Palladium and Cadmium; and vertically adjacent to Copper and Gold. For 10 points, what is this element with atomic number 47?

Answer: Silver

(New York Times Encyclopedic Almanac, 1970, pp. 445-46)

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7) Among his typically glib and erudite chapter headings are: "Heidegger surf-boards along the electronic wave as triumphantly as Descartes rode the mechanical wave," "The celebrated earthy tactility of Rabelais is a massive backwash of receding manuscript culture," and "The new electronic interdependence recreates the world in the image of a global village." For 10 points, name this original mad prophet of the air waves.

Answer: Marshall McLuhan

(Marshall McLuhan, *The Gutenberg Galaxy*, 1962, p. 43, p. 182, p. 295)

8) The Foreign Minister of Mexico who has been pushing Mexico's current peace offensive in Central America shares his last name with a UCLA anthropologist who researched the many splendors of Psilocybe mexicana and Lophophora williamsii. For 10 points, what is their common last name?

Answer: Castaneda (Jorge & Carlos respectively)

(NBC Radio News of 15 March 1982; Carlos Castaneda, *The Teachings of Don Juan: A Yaqui Way of Knowledge*, 1968, passim)

9) \$50 for the cheapest seat in the house would, in itself, have set a Broadway record but this 1981 play saw a base price of \$50 for the first four hours and another \$50 for the final four and one half hours. Still, crowds flocked to see Roger Rees in his title role in this smash hit by David Egar, Stephen Oliver, and Charles Dickens. For 10 points, name the play.

Answer: The Life and Adventures of Nicholas Nickleby

(1982 *Encyclopedia Americana* annual, pp. 503-04)

10) Of the Chisholm Trail, Oregon Trail, California Trail, and Santa Fe Trail, only one did not originate in Independence, Missouri. For 10 points, which one?

Answer: Chisholm Trail (which ran from Texas to Kansas)

(*New Columbia Encyclopedia*, 1975, p. 1322, p. 543)

11) No matter what you may think of him, it cannot be denied that Interior Secretary James Watt and Caligula have something in common. For 10 points, what one name does triple duty as Watt's middle name, Caligula's first name, and Julius Caesar's first name?

Answer: Gaius (Accept Caesar)

(*Encyclopedia Americana*, 1960, v. 5, pp. 212-18, pp. 138-41; 1982 *Encyclopedia Americana* annual, p. 134. A special 5 point bonus to anyone who buzzes in on the first sentence with the answer: "They were both into rape.")

12) He studied to be a painter and ended up serving as a senator of the Irish Free State from 1922 to 1928. In between, he wrote the plays The Player Queen, On Baile's Strand, and Deirdre. For 10 points, who was this playwright-poet who is buried "Under bare Ben Bulbin's head"?

Answer: William Butler Yeats

(J.B. Priestly, *Literature and Western Man*, 1960, pp. 486-87; *Encyclopedia Americana*, 1960, v. 29, pp. 622-23; *Eleven Plays of William Butler Yeats*, ed. A.N. Jeffares, 1966, pp. 1-14)

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13) Ten million commemorative half-dollars will be coined this year by the U.S. Mint as part of the bisesquicentennial celebration of a famous American. For 10 points, which president is to be so honored?

Answer: George Washington

(1982 Encyclopedia Americana annual, p. 170)

14) In 1962, Dr. Arnold Friedhoff discovered that the chemical DMPE (or dimethoxyphenylethylamine) occurs almost exclusively in sufferers of a certain disease. DMPE is chemically related to both adrenaline and mescaline and seems to be synthesized naturally by those who cannot synthesize the niacin derivative NAD. For 10 points, what common disease was thus finally traced to an organic origin?

Answer: Schizophrenia (Accept any variety of schizophrenia)

(Isaac Asimov, *Is Anyone There?*, 1967, p. 25)

15) William Faulkner called him a "nice old lady" while other writers have labelled him "a novelist's novelist." Among his superbly crafted works are: The Real Thing and Other Tales, The Tragic Muse, The Wings of the Dove, and Washington Square. For 10 points, name this 19th and 20th century American and English writer.

Answer: Henry James

(Encyclopedia Americana, 1960, v. 15, p. 604; Norman Mailer, *Cannibals and Christians*, 1966, p. 256)

16) The Rev. Donald Wildmon doesn't like it. Until recently, he was in that vast majority (doubtlessly moral) who did not. Now, however, it is one of the most popular shows on NBC. For 10 points, name this television series which recently garnered eight Emmy Awards for broadcasting excellence.

Answer: Hill Street Blues

(1982 Encyclopedia Americana annual, pp. 495-96)

17) Holy Cross College, University College, Conyngham Road, Rotunda Hospital, Phoenix Park, the River Liffey, and the Abbey Theatre are all, for 10 points, found in what European capital?

Answer: Dublin, Ireland (or, in Gaelic: Baile Atha Cliath)

(National Geographic Magazine, April 1981, map insert)

18) According to Rabbinical tradition, he had the interesting job of judge for the city of Sodom. A just and hospitable man, he and his wife were both pillars of the community--he figuratively, she literally. For 10 points, who was this nephew of Abraham?

Answer: Lot

(J. M'Clintock & J. Strong, *Cyclopedia of Biblical, Theological, and Ecclesiastical Literature*, 1873, v. 5, pp. 520-22)

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19) Listen to these lines by John Greenleaf Whittier:

"Of all we loved and honored, naught
Save power, remains;
A fallen angel's pride of thought,
Still strong in Chains . . .
Then pay the reverence of old days
To his dead fame;
Walk backward, with averted gaze,
And hide the shame!"

Whittier wrote this sorrowful denunciation because of a speech delivered in the U.S. Senate on March 7, 1850. For 10 points, who was the speaker and subject of this poem?

Answer: Danial Webster

(John F. Kennedy, Profiles in Courage, 1956, p. 66, p. 68)

20) Roger Bacon first used the word to designate tables recording the apparent movements of heavenly bodies. Regiomontanus published the first comprehensive one in 1473. William Pierce published one for New England in 1639. James Franklin came out with one for Rhode Island in 1728 while his brother Benjamin began publishing his in 1732 under the pseudonym of Richard Saunders. For 10 points, what type of book is this which is essential to College Bowlers and Farmers?

Answer: Almanac

(Encyclopedia Americana, 1960, v. 1, pp. 430-32)

21) There is Euclidean Geometry, Bolyaian Geometry, Lobachevskian Geometry, and Riemannian Geometry. For 10 points, which one did Einstein use for the mathematical framework of his theory of relativity?

Answer: Riemannian Geometry (Accept: the fourth or last one)

(Michael Talbot, Mysticism and the New Physics, 1981, pp. 7-8)

22) It was the name of the Byzantine emperor who ruled from 474 to 491 AD. It was the name of three classical philosophers: one Epicurean, one Parmenidean, and one Stoic. For 10 points, what is this four-letter name?

Answer: Zeno

(Encyclopedia Americana, 1960, v. 29, pp. 699-701)

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1) 30 Points. Hamlet talks a lot--more than anyone else in his play. For 5 points apiece, which character speaks the most lines in these other Shakespearean plays:

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| 1) The Tempest | Answer: <u>Prospero</u> ✓ |
| 2) Julius Caesar | Answer: <u>Brutus</u> ✗ |
| 3) Macbeth | Answer: <u>Macbeth</u> ✓ |
| 4) Antony & Cleopatra | Answer: <u>Marc Antony</u> ✗ |
| 5) As You Like It | Answer: <u>Rosalind</u> ✗ |
| 6) Measure for Measure | Answer: <u>Vincentio</u> ✗ |

(Book of Lists # 2, 1980, p. 178)

2) 20 Points. He finally went mad playing with his Alephs. For 20 points, name this 19th century mathematician who discovered such transfinite numbers as Aleph and Aleph Null.

Answer: Georg Cantor

(Michael Talbot, Mysticism and the New Physics, 1981, pp. 10-12)

3) 30 Points. Thirty points are yours for identifying this person on the first clue; 20 points on the second; and 10 points if it takes you all three clues:

- 1) The shingle outside his medical office typically and punningly read: "Small Fevers Gratefully Received."
- 2) He was directly responsible for the saving of the frigate U.S.S. Constitution.
- 3) His most celebrated literary work was The Autocrat of the Breakfast-Table.

Answer: Oliver Wendell Holmes Sr.

(Encyclopedia Americana, 1960, v. 1, p. 549; v. 14, pp. 322-23)

4) 30 Points. Uncle Sam is doubtless the most famous American uncle. For 5 points apiece, identify these famous non-American uncles:

- 1) The emperor Caligula's imperial uncle.
Answer: Claudius (Tiberius Claudius Drusus Nero Germanicus)
- 2) The emperor Claudius' imperial uncle.
Answer: Tiberius
- 3) King Edward V's royal uncle.
Answer: Richard III
- 4) Queen Victoria's two royal uncles
Answer: George IV and William IV
- 5) The uncle of Cardinal Giulio de Medici and Luigi de Rossi who was portrayed with his nephews in a famous painting by Raphael.
Answer: Pope Leo X (or Giovanni de Medici)

(Encyclopedia Americana, 1960, v. 9, p. 688; v. 29, pp. 331-32;
Robert Graves, I, Claudius, 1961 Vintage Books ed., p. 310, p. 14;
H. Janson, History of Art, 1966 ed., p. 335, p. 370)

5) 20 Points. I will give you the English titles of four Mozart operas. For 5 points apiece, tell me the language in which each opera was written:

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| 1) The Magic Flute | Answer: <u>German</u> |
| 2) The Marriage of Figaro | Answer: <u>Italian</u> |
| 3) They All Do It | Answer: <u>Italian</u> |
| 4) The Abduction from the Seraglio | Answer: <u>German</u> |

(Encyclopedia Americana, 1960, v. 19, pp. 544-544b)

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Bonuses

6) 20 Points. Emory University is located at Latitude 33 degrees 45 minutes North and Longitude 84 degrees 24 minutes West. If you were to put down your buzzers and dig a hole from Emory through the center of the earth clear through to the other side--you would get wet.

1) For 10 points, in what body of water would you find yourself?

Answer: Indian Ocean

2) Land would only be 1340 miles away. For 10 points, what land?

Answer: Australia

(Hammond World Atlas, 1960, p. 55; New York Times Encyclopedic Almanac, 1970, p. 175; and a little spherical co-ordinate geometry)

7) 25 Points. The chemical symbols for elements # 89 and 90 form an abbreviation important in endocrinology. For 25 points, for what two words does that abbreviation stand?

Answer: Adrenocorticotrophic Hormone (ACTH; elements are Actinium Ac and Thorium Th)

(New Columbia Encyclopedia, 1975, p. 23, p. 2108; New York Times Encyclopedic Almanac, 1970, pp. 445-46)

8) 20 Points. The finals of the 1982 College Bowl National Championship are only a few weeks off. The University of Maryland is the defending 1981 champion and Davidson College was the 1979 champion. For 10 points apiece, name the 1978 and 1980 national College Bowl champs.

Answer: Stanford University (1978) & Cal State Fresno (California State University at Fresno - 1980)

9) 20 Points. This past season he conducted his first opera and made his own operatic debut with Beverly Sills in a Boston production of Die Fledermaus. He has recently conducted such orchestras as the London Philharmonic, New York Philharmonic, and the Cleveland Orchestra; has been knighted by the kings of Norway, Sweden, and Denmark; and was described by the New York Times as "the funniest man in the world." For 20 points, name this satirist who regularly performs in English, German, Danish, and Swedish.

Answer: Victor Borge

(Kentucky Opera's Tempo, March 1982, pp. 16-17)

10) 30 Points. ABSCAM and Senator Williams have come and gone. For 10 points apiece, identify these other public servants who similarly made the news in 1981:

1) This Maryland governor had his prison sentence commuted in 1981 by President Reagan.

Answer: Marvin Mandel

2) This Tennessee governor was convicted in 1981 of extortion, conspiracy, and mail fraud and sentenced to three years in prison.

Answer: Ray Blanton

3) This law-and-order Mississippi congressman resigned in 1981 following an escapade in a Washington men's room.

Answer: Jon Hinson

(1982 Encyclopedia Americana annual, p. 320, p. 500, p. 346)

11) 20 Points. He was born in Bulgaria; lives in England; writes in German; and has his doctorate in chemistry. His only major work, a novel, is properly entitled Die Blendung; but in England it's called Auto-da-Fe; while here it's called Tower of Babel. For 20 points, name this most recent Nobel laureate in literature.

Answer: Elias Canetti

(1982 Encyclopedia Americana annual, p. 311)

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12) 25 Points. There may be 101 uses for a dead cat and somewhat fewer for a living one but a cat which is simultaneously dead and alive has been put to but one use. For 25 points, name the 20th century Austrian physicist who posited such an unlikely cat as the necessary result of an experiment in the wave function of quantum particles.

Answer: Erwin Schrödinger (The problem is known as the Schrödinger Cat Paradox)

(New Columbia Encyclopedia, 1975, p. 2448; Michael Talbot, Mysticism and the New Physics, 1981, pp. 27-30)

13) 25 Points. A student of Henri Bergson, he re-interpreted the thought of Thomas Aquinas in a modern existentialist way. Although a married layman, he is widely believed to have been secretly created a cardinal by Pope Paul VI. For 25 points, who was this French diplomat and leading neo-Thomist?

Answer: Jacques Maritain

(New Columbia Encyclopedia, 1975, p. 1699; Thomas Merton, Conjectures of a Guilty Bystander, 1966, p. 348, pp. 314-15)

14) 30 Points. For 10 points apiece, identify the following historians from their Pulitzer Prize-winning works:

1) He won the 1956 History Prize for The Age of Reform and the 1964 General Nonfiction Prize for Anti-Intellectualism in American Life.

Answer: Richard Hofstadter

2) He won the 1957 History Prize for Russia Leaves the War: Soviet-American Relations 1917-1920 and the 1968 Autobiography Prize for Memoirs 1925-1950.

Answer: George F. Kennan

3) He won the 1933 and 1937 Biography Prizes for his Grover Cleveland and Hamilton Fish.

Answer: Allan Nevins

(New York Times Encyclopedic Almanac, 1970, pp. 353-55)

15) 25 Points. Alkaid, Mizar, Alioth, Megrez, Phecda, Merak, and Dubhe are likely rather unfamiliar names but are all quite familiar things.

1) For 15 points, what kind of things are they?

Answer: Stars

2) For an additional 10 points, what constellation is made up of these seven stars?

Answer: Big Dipper (or Ursa Major or Great Bear)

(Isaac Asimov, Is Anyone There?, 1967, pp. 154-55)

16) 25 Points. An "heir" is a person designated by law to succeed to the ownership of property of another if that owner does not leave a will. For 25 points, what seven-letter term properly designates a person who takes property left to him or her by a will?

Answer: Legatee

(New Columbia Encyclopedia, 1975, p. 1217)

17) 20 Points. Gutenberg introduced his first printed book, a Latin Bible, around 1455. For 10 points apiece:

1) In what city was it printed?

Answer: Mainz (pronounced Mighntz)

2) After what prominent churchman is Gutenberg's version of the Bible named?

Answer: Cardinal Mazarin

(New Columbia Encyclopedia, 1975, p. 1731)

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18) 25 Points. Baroness Jackson of Lodsworth died last year at the age of 67. A highly respected political economist, she taught at Harvard from 1958-1969 and at Columbia from 1968-1973 while serving as economic advisor to presidents Kennedy and Johnson. For 25 points, under what name did she publish the important economic works: The Rich Nations and the Poor Nations and Spaceship Earth?

Answer: Barbara Ward

(1982 Encyclopedia Americana annual, p. 394; Barbara Ward, Spaceship Earth, 1966, passim)

19) 20 Points. An Oedipus family reunion would be a curious affair if only because Oedipus was his own step-father. For 10 points apiece, what two distinct relationships was King Creon to King Oedipus?

Answer: Uncle & Brother-in-law (Creon was the brother of Jocasta who was Oedipus' wife and mother)

(Oedipus Tyrannus, tr. L. Berkowitz and T. Brunner, 1970, p. 2)

20) 25 Points. This term is properly applied to an elderly lady in charge of the younger ladies in a Spanish or Portuguese family and, by extension, has come to mean any governess or female chaperon. For 25 points, what is this trisyllabic term?

Answer: Duenna

(Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, 1942, p. 309)

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