NIT Round submitted by Purdue V

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1. A member of the deadly nightshade family, they were discovered in 1530 by the conquistador Jimenez de Quesada. In 1630 they were suspected of causing leprosy and French peasants were forbidden to plant them but by 1771 Antoine-Auguste Parmentier listed them among the edible vegetables which may be eaten during famine. And a good thing, toothey're a good source of vitamin C, iron, amino acids, protein, thiamine, vitamin G, and nicotinic acid-much of it in the skin. For 10 points, name this popular tuber.

Answer: Potato

2. The Haversian canals can be found inside the bones of men. For 10 points, what name is given to the tough fibrous covering outside the bone?

Answer: Periosteum

3. She loved her husband Tithonus so much that she begged Zeus to make him an immortal--but forgot to ask for eternal youth as well. For 10 points, name this tragically forgetful Goddess of the Dawn.

Answer: Aurora

4. He wrote <u>Battle-Pieces</u>, a series of Civil War poems, and <u>Clarel</u>, a long philosophic poem. <u>Piazza Tales</u> includes his short stories "Benito Cereno" and "Bartleby the Scrivener." For 10 points, name this American author.

Answer: Herman Melville

5. It had 36 cars; each car could hold 40 people. Designed by an American engineer, it was 250 feet in diameter and was first exhibited at the 1895 Chicago World's fair. For 10 points, what was this Midway attraction?

Answer: The Ferris Wheel

6. Italy: 1693, 1783, 1908, 1976, and 1980. Ecuador: 1797, 1868, 1949, and 1979. China: 1290, 1556, 1920, 1927, 1932, and 1976. Japan: 1293, 1730, 1828, 1923, and 1978. For 10 points, what kind of disaster is associated with these dates and places?

Answer: Earthquakes

7. Plasmodium vivax and Plasmodium Faliporium are two of the organisms which can cause this disease. They infect red blood cells, multiply, and cause destruction of the red blood cells as well as releasing dangerous toxins which cause the typical cyclic fevers and chills that are associated with this disease. For 10 points, what is this disease?

Answer: Malaria

8. "This is an opera for children because it tries to recapture my own childhood. You see, when I was a child, I lived in Italy, and in Italy we have no Santa Claus . . . Our gifts were brought to us by the Three Kings instead." Thus, Gian-Carlo Menotti describes one of his most popular works. For 10 points, name it.

Answer: Amahl and the Night Visitors

9. The more you think about this city's name, the more disgusting it gets. For 10 points, name this port city of 500,000 on the Mersey River near Manchester, England.

Answer: Liverpool

10. She was about three-and-a-half feet tall; weighed about 60 pounds; had a jutting, V-shaped jaw and a small brain. Discovered at Madar, northeastern Ethiopia in November of 1974, she challenges the tradional "descent of man" scheme of modern anthropaleontology. For 10 points, what is her four letter name?

Answer: Lucy

11. Madeline, Mischief, Puritan, Volunteer, Ranger, Intrepid, Courageous, and Freedom. For 10 points, what sporting distinction do they have in common?

Answer: They all won the America's Cup

12. The name's the same: In biochemistry, a substance in blood serum that destroys pathogenic bacteria; In music, an interval that completes an octave; In the armed forces, a full crew of officers and men; And in geometry, an angle related to another such that their sum is 90 degrees? For 10 points, what is this trisyllabic word?

Answer: Complement (Not complementary)

13. "The Northern Lights have seen queer sights,
But the queerest they ever did see
Was the night on the marge of Lake Lebarge
I cremated . . ." For 10 points, whom?

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Answer: Sam McGee (The poem is by Robert Service)

14. <u>Haystacks</u>, <u>Rouen Cathedral</u>, and views of <u>Morning on the Thames</u> were among his series of paintings. From 1904 to 1916, he concentrated on painting species of the floral genus <u>Nympheas</u>. For 10 points, who is this painter?

Answer: Claude Monet (Watch out for Manet which is dead wrong!)

15. It is a mild expletive. It is the Greek root for "bud." It is a common scientific prefix and is often connected with -oderm, -omere, -ostyle, -opore, and -ula. For 10 points, what is this five-letter word?

Answer: Blast

16. It is 100 miles from Indianapolis; 250 miles from Detroit; 63 miles from Columbus, Ohio; and 48 miles from Cincinnati, Ohio. For 10 points, name this city of some 250,000--the home of the Wright Brothers.

Answer: Dayton, Ohio

17. The story is told by Apuleius, of a mortal woman who had an unseen god for a husband. She disobeyed him, and discovered that she was married to the God of Love himself. For 10 points, who was Cupid's wife?

Answer: Psyche

18. Margaret Cooke, Norman Dean, Elise Fecamps, Robert Caine Frazier, Patrick Gill, Michael Holliday, Charles Hogarth, Brian Hope, Peter Manton, Colin Hughes, Kyle Hunt, James Marsden, Rodney Mettheson, J.J. Marric, Richard Martin, Anthony Morton, Ken Ranger, Tex Riley, William K. Riley, Henry St. John, Jimmy Wilde, and Jeremy York are all the same person. He's written over 600 books, 200 of them under his real name featuring Roger West and Richard Rollinson ("The Toff"), For 10 points, name this prolific writer.

Answer: John Creasey

19. For better or worse, Ronald Reagan is president of these fifty United States. For 10 points, who was the first president of the contiguous forty-eight states?

Answer: William Howard Taft (Arizona, #48, was admitted Feb. 14, 1912)

20. FDR did it three times. Truman, Eisenhower, LBJ, and Nixon did it twice. Only three women--Wallis Warfield Simpson, Madame Chiang Kai-shek, and Queen Elizabeth II--have ever done it. Lindbergh did it in 1927; Hitler in 1938; and the Ayatollah Khomeini in 1979. For 10 points, what annual honor did each receive?

Answer: Time Magazine's Man of the Year

21. His savage "portrait" of Addison is contained in the long poem "Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot." Lewis Theobald (pr. Tibbled) and Colley Cibber are mocked for their dullness in The Dunciad. In fact, few of his enemies escaped the sting of the Wasp of Twickenham. For 10 points, name him.

Answer: Alexander Pope

22. Rousseau and Revolution was the 1968 Pulitzer Prize winner for General Nonfiction and was the eleventh volume in The Story of Civilization, begun in 1935. For 10 points, name the husband-and-wife historians who wrote Rousseau and Revolution.

Answer: Will and Ariel Durant (Accept the Durants)

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#### Bonuses

- 1. 25 Points. Kenya and Tanzania sit side by side in Africa on the Indian Ocean. For 5 points apiece, answer Kenya, Tanzania, both, or neither to the following five questions:
  - 1. Which of the two is further north?

Answer: Kenya

2. Which of the two has the longer seacoast?

Answer: <u>Tanzania</u>
3. Which, if any, borders Zaire?

Answer: <u>Tanzania</u>

4. Which, if any, borders Uganda?

Answer: Both

5. Which, if any, borders Sudan? Answer: Kenya

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- 2. 30-20-10. Thirty points are yours for identifying this word on the first clue; 20 points on the second; and 10 points if it takes you all three clues. You may answer after each clue:
  - 1. It designates any salt of the highly unstable compound HONC.

It can mean "to detonate suddenly and violently."
 It can mean "to thunder forth as with censures and decrees."

# Answer: Fulminate

- 3. 30 Points. General Francisco Franco is still dead but his memory may linger. We'll see. For 10 points apiece, answer these three questions about the late Spanish dictator:
- 1. In July of 1936, Franco took command of the most powerful segment of Spain's army and led it back to Spain. In what country was it then stationed?

Answer: Morocco

2. What Spanish political party did Franco make the official party in 1937?

Answer: Falange Española Tradicionalista

Finally, in what year did Franco finally die?.

Answer: 1975

4. 20 Points. From 1885 to 1892, he studied at the Moscow Conservatory after which he began his career as a concert pianist. In Moscow, he was conductor of the Imperial Opera. After 1917, he resided in Switzerland and, from 1935 until his death in 1943, he lived in the United States. Among his works are the tone poem The Isle of the Dead and three symphonies. For 20 points, who was he?

## Answer: Sergei Rachmaninoff

5. 25 Points. For 25 points, identify this scientist on the first

- clue, or, for 10 points, on the second clue:
  1. His "theorem" states that the outward flow from a hole in a container of liquid at any depth is equivalent to the velocity acquired by free fall from an equivalent height.
  - 2. His "vacuum" is that space above the mercury in a barometer.

## Answer: Evangelista Torricelli

6. 30 Points. Everyone seems to get Moliere, Racine, and Corneille confused -- they each wrote so many plays. Well, you can earn five points apiece for identifying which of the three wrote:

1. Le Cid Answer: Corneille

- Answer: Racine 2. Phedre 3. Le Misanthrope Answer: Moliere
- 4. Le Malade imaginaire Answer: Moliere
- Answer: Racine 5. Andromaque 6. Médee (pr. May Day) Answer: Corneille

7. 30 Points. Of all Queen Victoria's Prime Ministers, the two most prominent were Gladstone and Disraeli. This will test your knowledge of these great men. For 10 points apiece:
1. Name the political parties of each (both must be correct for

the 10 points).

Answer: Gladstone: Liberal (or Whig) Disraeli: Conservative (or Tory)

2. How many times was Disraeli elected Prime Minister?

Answer: <u>Twice</u> (or two times)

3. How many times was Gladstone elected Prime Minister? Answer: Four times

8. 25 Points. Five boxers who won gold medals in the Olympics went on to become the world heavyweight champion. For 5 points apiece, name them.

Answer: Mohammed Ali (Cassius Clay); Leon Spinks; Floyd Patterson; Joe Frazier; and George Foreman

9. Richard Nixon was known for his "five o'clock shadow." For 5 points ユト apiece, which five of his presidential predecessors wore full beards while in office? Warning: one miss and your answer stops.

Answer: Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses Grant, Rutherford Hayes, James Garfield, and Benjamin Harrison

10. 20 Points. We now all know about the many uses of a dead, live, or otherwise cat. Well, the acronym CAT also has several uses. For 10 points apiece:

1. What does CAT stand for in the field of medical diagnostics?

Answer: Computerized Axial Tomography
2. What does CAT stand for in the field of meteorology? Answer: Clear Air Turbulence

11. 30-20-10. Thirty points will be awarded if you answer on the first clue; 20 for the second; and 10 for the third.

1. Born in 1811 in Calcutta, he first worked for Fraser's Magazine and The Morning Chronicle before landing the editorship of Punch.

2. Lesser-known works of his include: Henry Esmond and The Rose and the Ring.

3. He is best known for his "book without a hero" containing the adventures of Ms. Becky Sharp.

Answer: William Makepeace Thackeray

12. 20 Points. For 5 points apiece, identify these famous "Cardinals." 1. This St. Louis baseball Cardinal leads everyone in lifetime stolen bases.

- Answer: Lou <u>Brock</u>
  2. This l6th and 17th century Spanish cardinal was an accomplished scholar and theological disputant, an admirer of Galileo; and was canonized and proclaimed a Doctor of the Church in the early 1930's. Answer: St. Robert Cardinal Bellarmine
- 3. This University of Louisville Cardinal basketball coach learned his craft from the legendary John Wooden.

Answer: Denny Crum

- 4. This recently deceased Primate of Poland was a staunch anticommunist and served as president of the Second Vatican Council. Answer: Stefan Cardinal Wyszynski (pr. Vi-shin-skee)
- 13. 30 Points. For 10 points each, name three Shakespearean heroines who disguised themselves as men in the bard's plays.

Answer: Rosalind, Portia, Viola, and Imogen

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14. 30 Points. In the Periodic Table, three notable pairs of sequential elements are examples of atomic weight inversion: the former being greater than the latter, counter to the trend in the table. Given the element with lower atomic weight, identify the heavier element which precedes it:

1. Potassium Answer: Argon
2. Nickel Answer: Cobalt
3. Iodine Answer: Tellurium

15. 30 Points. For 10 points apiece, identify the persons (real or fictional) who chose the following deaths:

1. He chose to be executed in the Nevada gas chamber in 1979.

Answer: Jesse Bishop

2. This Secretary of Defense jumped to his death from a window in Walter Reed Hospital.

Answer: James Forrestal

3. Finally, in the ultimate College Bowl way-to-go, this star-ship captain chose to merge himself with the ultimate, universal knowledge of V-ger (pr. Vee-jer) in Star Trek: the Movie.

Answer: Captain Decker

16. 25 Points. For five points apiece, name the five Union generals who commanded the Army of the Potomac during the U.S. Civil War.

Answer: Irvin McDowell, George McClellan, Ambrose Burnside, Joseph Hooker, and George Meade

17. 20 Points. For 5 points apiece, identify the opera in which each of the following pairs of lovers can be found:

1. Leonore and Florestan

Answer: Fidelio

2. Cho-cho -san and Lieutenant Pinkerton

Answer: Madame Butterfly

3. Count Almaviva and Rosine

Answer: The Barber of Seville (Not the Marriage of Figaro)

4. Walther von Stolzing and Eva Pogner

Answer: Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg (Accept: The Mastersingers)

18. 20 Points. For 5 points apiece, identify the native country of these modern playwrights:

1. Harold Pinter Answer: England, Great Britain, United Kingdom

2. Eugene Ionesco Answer: Romania
3. Alfred Jarry Answer: France
4. Max Frisch Answer: Switzerland

19. 20 Points. The British use pounds and the Americans use dollars. For 5 points apiece, from what country do each of the following units of currency come:

1. The drachma and lepta
2. The rupee and paise
3. The lira and kurus

Answer: Greece
Answer: India
Answer: Turkey

4. The riyal and qurush Answer: Saudi Arabia

20. 30 Points. For 10 points apiece, name the authors of these Utopias and anti-Utopias:

1. Oceana (1656) Answer: James Harrington

2. Islandia (c. 1920) Answer: Austin Tappan Wright

3. The Dispossessed: An
Ambiguous Utopia (1974) Answer: Ursula K. Leguin