

College Bowl Tournament Round Number 837A

1. In square miles, it is just as big as Africa, but unlike Africa, it bears the tracks of only one species--man. Name it.  
\the Moon\
2. When the German Odoacer overthrew Rome's imperial government, he promptly executed those influential Romans who might threaten his rule. One Roman too insignificant to execute was the emperor himself. Who was this ineffectual man whose only claim to fame was being the last emperor?  
\Romulus Augustulus\
3. When he recently called Reagan's tax-reform plan "preposterous" and proposed a \$100 billion tax increase in the name of "fiscal sanity," the press barely mentioned it. But, whenever he even hinted at differences with the administration's policies before July 31st of 1985, the media instantly publicized his doubts. Who is this still-outspoken former budget director?  
\David Stockman\
4. Teheran is the capital of Iran. Another national capital was also named Teheran when it was founded by the Turks in the early 1600s but the pronunciation and spelling of its name has gradually changed over the centuries. Name this Balkan capital.  
\Tirana or Tirane, Albania\
5. In the 1960s a group of engineers at Cleveland's Eaton Corporation came up with a much publicized invention consisting of a nylon container coated with neoprene and containing 100 grams of sodium azide. Under certain conditions, the sodium azide would suddenly ignite, releasing vast amounts of nitrogen and inflating the nylon sack. Name this passive restraint device.  
\the air bag\
6. Hawaii is a lot closer to Texas than it is to Poland or Chesapeake. The four proper nouns in that sentence are the titles of 4 novels by what author?  
\James Michener\
7. In Muslim nations, Western Christians are still popularly referred to by the name of the Germanic tribe which halted the Muslim advance into Europe in 732. Name this tribe of Charles Martel.  
\the Franks\
8. In the 17th century James Gregory proved that a converging series contains an infinite number of terms but only a finite sum-- thereby resolving a 2400-year old problem about Achilles and the tortoise. What Greek philosopher had posed this infamous paradox?  
\Zeno of Elea\
9. Explaining that "Lennon is very popular in our country," the Soviet ambassador planted a birch tree in NY's Central Park. He was not referring to Vladimir but to John, who, on what would have been his 45th birthday, was honored when a section of that park was replanted and renamed for a Beatles' song. Name this memorial.  
\Strawberry Fields\

10. It would certainly make the evening news if Pope John Paul II should decide to get married, but he wouldn't be the first married pope. Who was?

\St. Peter\

11. Criminologists believe that his is the most forged signature in history--not forged on checks or documents or even on paper, but on wood; the forger thereby turning a mediocre instrument into a very valuable one. Name this 17th & 18th century maker of violins.

\Antonius Stradivarius or Antonio Stradivari\

12. Spaghetti is a pasta; golden nugget is a casino; golden delicious is an apple; butternut is an ice cream; sweet potato is a tuber; and acorn is an oak seed. Each is also a type of edible vegetable which is itself the name of a sport played with rackets. What vegetable?

\squash\

13. He tends to become "an oral danger" as soon as he opens his mouth and "an oral danger" is an anagram of his full name. He has proclaimed the end of "segregation" in South Africa and the abolition of the Soviet Union with bombing to follow in 5 minutes. Name him.

\Ronald Reagan\

14. It is midnight and the sun is shining on you just as it always does at midnight and at every other time even when the bulk of the earth intervenes. What common particle of solar radiation passes through the earth as easily as through empty space?

\neutrinos or anti-neutrinos\

15. Representative Chalmers Wylie of Ohio doesn't like it--so much so, in fact, that he persuaded his House colleagues to prevent the only people who peruse it solely for its articles from reading it at all. What is this magazine which the U.S. House of Representatives has voted against printing in braille?

\Playboy\

16. It was "founded by Unitarian missionaries and Yankee promoters, then found by Norwegian Lutherans ...and by German Catholics" Name this "little town that time forgot"--the setting for radio's A Prairie Home Companion.

\Lake Wobegon, Minnesota\

17. As playwright Robert Greene lay dying in 1592, he penned a bizarre tract "A Groatsworth of Wit Bought with a Million of Repentance" in which he blasted "an upstart crow, beautified with our feathers, that ...supposes he is as well able to bombast out a blank verse as the best of you." What successful competitor did Greene so malign?

\William Shakespeare\

18. It is so deaf that a gun fired within inches of its head will sometimes cause it to turn slowly and blink. It can make no sound; has little sense of smell, has been clocked at a record speed of one-half mile per hour; and sleeps 18 hours per day. It remains little understood by zoologists because no one has yet had the patience to observe it for any period of time. What is

this arboreal mammal which has lent its name to a vice?  
\sloth\

19. In 1835 the U.S. Congress fined the state of Michigan \$50 to cover the cost of one mule killed in its war with Ohio. The cause and name of this silly little war was a city disputed between the two states. Name this city, later home to M\*A\*S\*H's Max Klinger and his beloved Mud Hens.  
\Toledo\

20. He was not Hegel or Nietzsche but wrote endlessly of the transcendental "over-soul." He was not Thoreau but lived in the woods next to Walden Pond. He was certainly not Norman Vincent Peale, but wrote such self-improvement essays as Compensation, The Method of Nature and Self-Reliance. Who was this Sage of Concord?  
\Ralph Waldo Emerson\

21. This capital of Thuringia contains the graves of Goethe and Schiller, the two most famous writers who resided in this "German Athens." Name this city which lent its name to the German republic formed after WW I.  
\Weimar\

22. "'Takes more than guns to kill a man," says Joe, "I didn't die.'" Name the hero of this American folk song, author of the other folk song Casey Jones, and unofficial patron saint of the American labor movement who was executed by a Utah firing squad in 1915.  
\Joe Hill (real name Joseph Hillstrom)\

\*\*\*\*\* BONUS FOR ROUND 837 \*\*\*\*\*

1. (30 pts) The astrologers are clearly correct: Halley's Comet does affect human, or at least English, history. In which year that the comet returned:

- a. did English settlers found Jamestown, Virginia? Ans. 1607
- b. did King Edward VII die? Answer: 1910
- c. did England gain control of both India and Canada?  
\1759\

2. (30 pts) This is a yes or no bonus on U.S. Criminal Law. Answer all questions correctly for 30 pts; 20 for 3; 10 for 2.

- a. Can a judge reverse a jury's verdict as unreasonable or contrary to law? Answer: yes
- b. In cases of clear negligence, can the burden of proof be shifted to the defendant to prove his innocence? Ans. no
- c. After a mistrial, can a defendant be recharged with the exact same offense? Answer: yes
- d. Can a juror be automatically excluded from duty at a capital trial if he or she is opposed to capital punishment?  
\yes\

3. (25 pts) John Updike eulogized him as one who "took fiction into new places where it had never been before" while Anthony Burgess located his "literary space east of Borges and west of Nabokov." Who was this late great Italian novelist who wrote Invisible Cities, Marcovaldo, and Cosmicomics?

\Italo Calvino (cal VEE noh)\

4. (20 pts) America may have been a cultural wilderness in 1720 but two prominent families kept alive the European intellectual tradition in their massive private libraries. FTP apiece, name the leading Virginia and Massachusetts families who owned the largest libraries in the New World.

\Byrd family and Mather family\

5. (30 pts) Among the 13 cities currently making bids for major league baseball expansion teams are: Miami, Denver, and Phoenix. FTP each, what is now the closest major league team:

- a. to Miami? Answer: Atlanta Braves
- b. to Denver? Answer: Kansas City Royals
- c. to Phoenix?

\San Diego Padres\

6. (30 pts) The apartheid laws of South Africa are more than a little based on international trade considerations. Are the following peoples classified by South Africa as white, coloured, or black?

- a. the Vietnamese? Answer: coloured
- b. the Japanese? Answer: white
- c. the Chinese?

\black\

7. (25 pts) The grandest running feud in American literature began at a Manhattan dinner party in 1977 when famous writer A threw his drink in the face of famous writer B and followed said drink's trajectory with his fist. Well before Watergate, both writers had thrown brickbats at the presidential selection process: A in the book The Presidential Papers and B in the Broadway play, The Best Man. FTP name one; for 25, name both.

\Norman Mailer (A) and Gore Vidal (B)\

8. (30 pts) A French forest and a village in that forest have each lent their name to a well-known school of art: the forest to the leading 16th-century school of royal painting and architecture; the village to a 19th-century school of naturalistic landscape painting. For 15 pts each, name the forest and village.

\Fontainebleau and Barbizon\

9. (30 pts) All naturally occurring clouds on earth are composed of water. FTP each,

a. What nonmetallic element forms the clouds of Venus?

\sulfur\

b. What two common compounds form the two distinct kinds of clouds on Mars?

\water and carbon dioxide\

10. (25 pts) FTP for one and 25 for both, identify the persons or groups who commenced the London and Philadelphia portions of last July's Live Aid Concert; one of whose names belies their cause, the other of whom has long fought against the name of the former.

\Status Quo (in London) and Joan Baez (Phil.)\

11. (20 pts) Consider your basic 3 by 3 Rubik's Cube. This cube has 3 basic kinds of "cubies"--corner ones with 3 faces, edge ones with 2 faces, and center ones with one face.

a. How many corner cubies are there? Answer: 8

b. And edge cubies? Answer: 12

c. and center cubies?

\six\

12. (30 pts) During Ethelred the Unready's final year as king, he was characteristically unprepared to meet the Danish invasion of 1015 which led to the partition of England the next year between the Danish king and Ethelred's rather more steely son. For 15 pts apiece, name these two monarchs who divided up England.

\Canute and Edmund Ironsides\

13. (30 pts) English Romantic poets tended to live complex, tangled, unhappy, and very short lives. Which of them wrote these complex, tangled, unhappy but not very short poems?

a. Dejection: an Ode (1802) Answer: ~~William Wordsworth~~ Samuel Taylor Coleridge!

b. Stanzas written in Dejection near Naples (1818)

\Percy Bysshe Shelley\

14. (30 pts) The two greatest 12th-century philosophers were contemporaries in Cordoba Spain. Both are best known for their massive commentaries on Aristotle, works which directly led to subsequent Christian Scholasticism, even though one was a Muslim and the other a Jew. Name them.

\Averroes (ah VER o eez) or Ibn Rushd and Moses Maimonides\

15. (20 pts) The ten most common feminine names in America since 1920 are (in order) Mary, Elizabeth, Barbara, Dorothy, Ann, Margaret, Helen, Ruth, Jane, and Virginia. The two most common names since 1970, however, don't make this list at all. FTP each, name them.

\Jennifer and Susan\

16. (30 pts) Strikes can be costly to baseball players. During 1985's brief strike, several players lost over \$12,000 a game. Name any 3 of them for 10 points each.

\Mike Schmidt, Jim Rice, Ozzie Smith, George Foster\

17. (20 pts) Britain and France have each had an artistic-architectural style known as Regency Style. In which century:

a. did Britain have its Regency? Answer: 19th (1811-1830)

b. did France have its Regency?

\18th century (1700-1740)\

18. (30 pts) Nosology is not the scientific study of noses.

a. Nosology is the scientific classification and nomenclature of what? Answer: diseases

b. What is the -ology which is the scientific study of the nose?

\rhinology\

19. (30 pts) Name this body of water. 30-20-10

one. The St. Mary River drains into it from the north.

two. The St. Clair River drains out of it to the south.

three. The Straits of Mackinac connect it to Lake Michigan.

\Lake Huron\