

Beloit College Question Packet

TOSS-UPS

1. He is hailed as poet, philosopher, frontiersman and preservationist, and is best known for his essays about the "song of the North" of the Quetico-Superior canoe country. Who is he?

SIGURD F. OLSON

2. This "wonder drug" finds its origins in willow bark. Its chemical name is acetylsalicylic acid. Name it.

ASPIRIN

3. This abstract expressionist movement of the early 20th century featured artists Vasily Kandinsky, Franz Marc, Ernst Ludwig Kirchner, and Paul Klee. Name this movement.

THE BLUE RIDER MOVEMENT or DER BLAUE REITER (Blah-we-RITE-er)

4. Which French novelist said "The charm of Italy is akin to that of being in love?"

HENRI BEYLE DE STENDHAL (Henry-Bayl-day-STEN-dal)

5. Augustus Caesar, emperor of Rome, was actually given the title "Augustus," meaning "the increasing god," by the Roman Senate. What was the Roman emperor's true name?

OCTAVIAN or OCTAVIUS

6. "Wobblies" was the name for the members of what turn-of-the-century organization?

IWW (INTERNATIONAL WORKERS OF THE WORLD)

Industrial

7. A pink one of these is ignored, a white one is of little use, and a grey one is an animal. What is it?

AN ELEPHANT

8. Rotelle, conchiglioni, ~~farfalle~~, couscous, and wonton are all varieties of what internationally enjoyed food?

PASTA

9. State the ^{seven-letter} term whose definition is "a condition of some organisms in which the individual retains juvenile or immature characteristics."

NEOTENY (Nee-AH-te-nee)

10. Nearly everyone can see the similarity of appearance between the distasteful Monarch butterfly and the palatable Viceroy butterfly. Because of this imitation, the Viceroy is often mistaken by predators for the Monarch and thus avoids being eaten. State the specific term for this type of imitation.

A. BATESIAN MIMICRY (BAIT-see-an)

11. The "Stars of Africa" are but two of the stones which were cut from which famed diamond?

THE CULLINEN

12. In the book of Genesis in the Bible, Jacob had twelve children, but only two of them were by his beloved wife Rachel. One was Joseph the dreamer. Who was the other?

A. BENJAMIN

13. If a person suffers from kakorrhaphiophobia, what is he or she afraid of?

A. FAILURE

14. The sweetener aspartame, under the trade name of Nutrasweet, has swept the country and invaded almost every part of our daily lives. It is a simple compound, made up of two amino acids. Name ^{each of} the two amino acids.

ASPARTIC ACID AND PHENYLALANINE

15. ~~The Spartacist Revolt of 1919 in Berlin was led by what postwar socialist group?~~

THE GERMAN COMMUNIST PARTY

16. Which film producer gained fame for his expressions such as "Include me out" and "I'll give you a definite maybe?"

SAM GOLDWYN

17. This famous natural area was set aside as a game preserve in 1872, fell under the administration of the U.S. Army in 1886, and was made into a national park when the National Park Service was formed in 1916. What is the name of this park?

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK

18. The name of this Greek goddess of victory has also christened a popular modern sport shoe. What is her name?

NIKE

19. Which vocal work by P.D.Q. Bach begins with the chorale "Tarragon of virtue is full" and ends with the chorale "To curry favor, favor curry?"

HIS ORATORIO, "THE SEASONINGS"

20. To which saint's shrine were the characters travelling in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales?

SAINT THOMAS A' BECKET

21. Here's a quickie. What is the enrollment of the electoral college?

538 ~~533~~. (435 + 100 + 3 from D.C.)

22. This songwriter earned his fame not only for his work in "West Side Story" and "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum," but also for his creation of the ~~the~~ crossword puzzles in New York Magazine. Name him.

STEPHEN SONDHEIM

23. For a quick 10 points, name the Confederate Prison Camp located in Georgia immortalized by MacKinlay Kantor in his 1955 Pulitzer Prize winning novel.

ANDERSONVILLE

24. Although Ian Fleming is dead, the James Bond saga has been continued in novels such as License Renewed and Nobody Lives Forever. Who is the author of these novels?

JOHN GARDNER

25. Quick, name the author of Shatterday, Web of the City, and A Boy and his Dog.

HARLAN ELLISON

26. The Iran-Contra Affair refuses to leave the news. For 10 points name the judge in charge of Ollie North's trial.

GERHARD GESSELL

27. This Chinese dissident physicist has often been called the "Sakharov of China." For 10 points, name him.

FANG LEIZHI

28. ~~What is the next term in the Fibonacci sequence starting 1, 1, 2, 3, 5?~~

~~**8 (EIGHT)**~~

29. Joan of Arc, a national heroine of France, was awarded a certain honor nearly five hundred years after her death in 1431. What honor was she given in 1920?

SHE WAS NAMED A SAINT

30. Both Candide and My Fair Lady, two of the most beloved musicals of all time, were introduced in this year. Which?

1956

BELOIT (A)

BONUS

- (20) 1. The Bhagavad Gita actually forms 18 chapters of a larger work, which relates the adventures of the Pandavas and the Karavas families. For 20 points, name this larger work.

THE MAHABHARATA

2. This year, 1989, was the centennial celebration of the Rose Bowl Parade, which was held even before the Rose Bowl football game existed. Name this Grand Marshall of the parade in three clues or less; 30-20-10.

- (30) 1) He or she was named Grand Marshall in 1939.
2) He or she was only ten years old at the time.
3) He or she was Grand Marshall again this year, 1989, fifty years later.

SHIRLEY TEMPLE (BLACK)

- (20) 3. Listen closely to this list, because there is a missing item. The temple of Artemis at Ephesus, The statue of Zeus at Olympia, the hanging gardens of Babylon, the Mausoleum at Halicarnassus, the lighthouse at Alexandria, the Colossus of Rhodes. For 20 points, what is missing from this list?

THE PYRAMIDS OF GIZA (of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World)

4. Aside from being America's Independence Day, July fourth holds special significance in certain states. For ten points each:

- (30) 1) Name **both states** for which July fourth is Flag Day. **(ALASKA AND HAWAII)**
2) Name the state for which this date is the anniversary of their state capital.
(RHODE ISLAND)
3) Name the state which on this date holds an annual Tom Sawyer Fence Painting contest. **(MISSOURI)**

- (20) 5. This mythological animal is commonly known by its Greek name, although its origin is in Egyptian mythology. It is the symbol of the rising sun and when it dies it is burned and ressurected from its own ashes. For ten points each, give both the Greek name and the Egyptian name for the animal.

A. PHOENIX and BENNU

6. This man has been newsworthy for almost 20 years. Name him for 30 points on the first clue, 20 on the second, 10 on the third.

- (30) 1) The title of his 1977 memoirs was "Once to Every Man."
2) In the late 1960's he became the Pastor at Riverside Church in New York City.
3) In 1987 he resigned this post to become the head of SANE/freeze.

WILLIAM SLOAN COFFIN JR.

7. This commandor at Andersonville Prison was tried for his role in the death of 13,000 prisoners. For 20 points, name him. 5

HENRY WIRZ

8. Many battles at the U.S. Civil War were given different names by the North and South. I'll give you one name for the battle and for 10 points each you give me the other.

- 1) Bull Run A) **MANNASAS**
- 2) Shiloh B) **PITTSBURG LANDING**

9. Harvard, Yale, and Princeton are perhaps the best known members of the Ivy League. For five points each, name the others.

BROWN, COLUMBIA, CORNELL, DARTMOUTH, AND UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

10. "Oscar" is the name given to the awards presented by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. For five points each, name:

- 1) The first movie to win for "Best Picture." **"WINGS" in 1927**
- 2) The movie and its sequel which won best picture honors in 1972 and 1974.
"THE GODFATHER" and "THE GODFATHER PART II"
- 3) The first black actor to win an Oscar. **SIDNEY POITIER in 1963**
- 4) The year in which sisters Lynn and Vanessa Redgrave were nominated for "Best Actress" awards for their performances in "Georgy Girl" and "Morgan" respectively.
1966.

11. Name this PreSocratic philosopher for 30 points on the first clue, 20 points on the second and 10 points on the third.

- 1) He has been described as "The Weeping Philosopher."
- 2) Another nickname for him is "The Obscure."
- 3) He died in a pile of dung, trying to cure himself of a fever.

HERACLITUS (Hair- a- CLY- tus)

20 12. This term was first used in the 19th century to describe 17th and 18th century art that was perceived as decadently dramatic and grotesque. What is this term which may have its origins in the Portuguese word for an irregularly shaped pearl?

BAROQUE (from Portuguese "barroco")

13. For 10 points apiece, answer the following questions about calculus.

- 1) Name the two great thinkers who independently devised calculus for 20 points.
SIR ISAAC NEWTON and BARON VON LEIBNITZ (or Gottfried Wilhelm)
- 2) Who's notation system is more commonly used today? **NEWTON'S**

14. Identify this composer for 30 points at the first clue, 20 points at the second clue, and 10 points at the third.

- 1) He wrote Song and Dance.
- 2) He composed two musicals based upon Biblical stories. (Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat and Jesus Christ Superstar)
- 3) He wrote Evita.

ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

15. For five points apiece, name the countries which occupied the four zones that Berlin was divided into after World War II.

GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE, UNITED STATES, SOVIET UNION

16. In American slang, "4 bits" is 50 cents and "8 bits" is a dollar. For 10 points each, in computerese,

- 1) What are "4 bits" called? **A NIBBLE**
- 2) What are "8 bits" called? **A BYTE**

17. For 30 points, identify this African nation after the first clue, 20 points after the second clue, and 10 points after the third.

- 1) It became a republic in 1962.
- 2) It was first colonized by Europeans in 1652.
- 3) It is the world's leading diamond producer.

SOUTH AFRICA

~~18. For 10 points apiece, identify the following baseball players after hearing their nicknames.~~

- ~~1) The "Sultan of Swat." **BABE RUTH**~~
- ~~2) The "Yankee Clipper." **JOE DIMAGGIO**~~
- ~~3) The "Georgia Peach." **TY COBB**~~

19. Congress' "Class of '46" included two Representatives who would become Presidents. For 15 points each, name them.

JOHN F. KENNEDY and RICHARD M. NIXON

20. In a speech, Winston Churchill described an "Iron Curtain descending across Europe." For ten points each, what were its endpoints?

STETTIN on the Baltic Sea to TRIESTE on the Adriatic Sea

21. "Euler's Law" includes five fundamental numbers of mathematics.

- 1) For 5 points name them. **$E, i, \pi, 1, 0$**
- 2) For 25 points, give the formula that includes them all. $E^{i\pi} + 1 = 0$

22. For thirty points name this word of Greek origin on the first clue, for 20 points on the second and 10 points on the third.

- 1) It meant "goat song."
- 2) The mythological Muse assigned to it was named Melpomene (Mel-po-MEE-nee)
- 3) It is often paired with "comedy."

TRAGEDY

~~23. "The best of all possible worlds" is found in the novel Candide. For five points each,~~

- ~~1) Who wrote Candide? **VOLTAIRE**~~
- ~~2) Which character said "The best of all possible worlds?" **PANGLOSS**~~
- ~~3) What does "Pangloss" mean? **ALL-TONGUE**~~
- ~~4) What philosopher inspired the character of Pangloss? **BARON VON LEIBNITZ**~~

