

1990 U.S. OPEN
Florida State University II Questions

K Tossup 1: It is technically a comic opera, because it has a happy ending, and because of three comic characters, Ping, Pang, and Pong, who wander in from act to act, but the basic premise is pretty grim. A beautiful princess sets all would-be suitors three impossible riddles, killing them if they fail to answer. One man succeeds, turning out (improbably) to be a prince, and so wins her hand and her heart. Although set in China, the opera no more bears a resemblance to anything Chinese than Nanki-poo and Yum-Yum represent Japanese lovers. FTP, name this stirring, if incongruous, Puccini opera whose title is the name of the princess.

Answer: Turandot

X Tossup 2: In 1946, it was designated an overseas department of France and reunited with the territory of Inini, from which it had been separated in 1930. Including its capital at Cayenne, it was little more than a large penal colony until 1946, including the notorious Devil's Island. For 10 points, name this territory in South America bordered on the west by Suriname and on the South by Brazil.

Answer: French Guiana

X Tossup 3: This professional title refers to someone who has been invested with the full power to act for his company or country. Generally reserved for diplomatic use, it there designates someone below the rank of ambassador who nevertheless has full authority to transact business on behalf of his country. FTP, what is this important-sounding title?

Answer: plenipotentiary

X Tossup 4: This Renaissance artist studied sculpture under Donatello and later took on many students of his own, setting up a large academy in Florence. Many art historians now believe that an angel in the background of his "Baptism of Christ" was the work of his most famous student Leonardo Da Vinci. Some of his statues include a "Daniel," "Boy With a Dolphin," and the condottiere leader Bartoleommeo Colleoni which still stands in Venice. For 10 points, name this sculptor and painter.

Answer: Andrea del Verrocchio

Tossup 5: If you remember your "begatteries" in the book of Matthew, you know that Rehoboam was the son of Solomon, and Solomon was the son of David. For 10 points, however, who was David the son of?

Answer: Jesse

X Tossup 6: This council approved 16 documents on the Church and its relation to the rest of the world. The document "On the Church" included a general discussion of the nature and function of the Church and the special honor paid to Mary. One of the documents sought to make worship more meaningful by permitting national languages to replace the traditional Latin in most of the mass. For 10 points, what was this council which met in the fall seasons of 1962, 1963, 1964, and 1965?

Answer: Vatican II

X Tossup 7: Dionysus, patron god of the theater, has grown tired of the contemporary dramatists and decides to go fetch that "clever rogue" Euripides from the underworld. Since Heracles is the only mortal to have gone to Hades and returned, Dionysus visits him and then goes forth disguised in a lion skin, carrying a club. At the House of Charon, he finds both Aeschylus and Euripides and must choose whom to bring back. For 10 points, name this play by Aristophanes with one of the most unique choruses in Greek drama.

Answer: The Frogs

X Tossup 8: There are three horses entered in a race, Spot, Black Beauty, and Old Glue. According to the pre-race line, Black Beauty is twice as likely to win the race as Spot is, and Old Glue is twice as likely to win the race as Black Beauty. For 10 points, what is the probability that Old Glue will win the race?

Answer: 4/7 (accept "7 to 4 odds")

X Tossup 9: This autobiography, written in 1888, consists of four chapters, "Why I Am So Wise," "Why Am I So Clever," "Why I Write Such Good Books," and "Why I Am Resting." It reviews its author's life and works, except for his last book, The Antichrist, which he was still withholding. For 10 points, give the title of this Fredriech Nietzsche book which means "behold the man" in Latin.

Answer: Ecce Homo

X Tossup 10: This 1920 play depicts Robert Mayo, a restless plowman whose dreams of the open road end in the squalor of neglected fields. About to ship off with his uncle, Robert tells Ruth Atkins, his brother Andrew's girl, that he loves her. She responds, and Andrew who would have been a fine farmer, ships away instead. Years later, he returns a wealthy man and finds the farm in ruin and Robert dying of tuberculosis. For 10 points, name this Eugene O'Neil Pulitzer Prize-winning play.

Answer: Beyond The Horizon

X Tossup 11: The number of non-zero rows in a Gauss-reduced matrix, an album by the Smiths, a row of people, a line of soldiers, a body of enlisted personnel, an orderly arrangement, a degree of position or eminence, a relative standing or position. For 10 points, what word can be described by these definitions.

Answer: Rank

X Tossup 12: He correctly predicted that Polish independence would happen only if Germany and Russia both lost World War I, so he formed Polish legions to fight for Germany and then quit the war in 1916 after Russia went into anarchy. After being released from the German POW camp in 1918, he once again took charge of the Polish army and led it in another war against Russia in 1919. For 10 points, name this socialist who was virtual dictator of Poland in the 1920's.

Answer: Josef Pilsudski

X Tossup 13: The first step in this process is the oxidation of ammonia by O₂ at high temperature, using a platinum catalyst, to produce NO. The end product will be nitric acid. For 10 points, name this commercial process whose inventor is also known for his dilution law for weak acids and bases.

Answer: Ostwald

X Tossup 14: This prolific short story writer began his career as a member of the Irish Republican Army but ended in more quiet occupations. Known for a gift for dialogue and an ability to represent a storyteller's voice, he often wrote his humorous, ironic stories from the point of view of a child. Stories include "My Oedipal Complex," "Guests of the Nation," and the story collections A Set of Variations. FTP, name this Irish writer and one-time Harvard professor.

Answer: Frank O'Connor

X Tossup 15: In one usage, the term for this substance refers to concentrated sulfuric acid. More generally, it designates any sulfate of various metals, particularly a glassy hydrate of that sulfate. FTP name this substance, which has come into everyday use as a term for something caustic in speech or feeling.

Answer: vitriol

Tossup 16: Dionysus, Demeter, Persephone and Iris, Poseidon and Apollo, the Birth of Athena, and a Lapith and Centaur. Well, they do all relate to Greek mythology, but there's another connection. FTP, they are all on famous friezes or pediments decorating what well-known object?

Answer: the Parthenon

X Tossup 17: Perhaps the only man remotely like a Platonic philosopher-king the United States has ever seen. He was ambidextrous and would amuse his friends by translating the daily paper into Greek with one hand and Latin with the other--simultaneously. Furthermore, he invented a previously undiscovered proof for the Pythagorean Theorem. For 10 points, name this 20th president?

Answer: James Garfield

X Tossup 18: Congress enacted legislation to create this National park in 1944 and it was dedicated by Harry Truman in 1947. The second-largest National Park in the contiguous United States, it will become even larger now that President Bush has signed a bill adding 107,600 acres to it. For ten points, name this park, home to over 13 endangered species and a "river of grass".

Answer: The Everglades

X Tossup 19: "The Folly of Being Comforted," "The Stolen Child," "Leda and the Swan," "Among School Children," "Sailing to Byzantium," "Easter 1916," "The Wild Swans at Coole," and "The Second Coming" are for 10 points all works by what Irish poet who lived from 1865-1939?

Answer: William Butler Yeats

X Tossup 20: Since Charles II had spent so much of his life in France, he had a hard time sometimes judging the temperament of the English people, but he doubtless fared better than this monarch, who could not even understand what they said. FTP, name this king, who came to the throne in 1714 speaking little besides his native German.

Answer: George I

Tossup 21: In a series of court battles, actor Lee Marvin and his lover Michelle Marvin faced off over the new issue of whether or not an unmarried partner is entitled to money after cohabitation ceases. A new word was added to America's vocabulary. For 10 points, what is this term now accepted as a legal theory for recovery of money after a live-in relationship ends?

Answer: Palimony

FSU Team 2 Bonuses for 1990 US Open

X Bonus 1: (30 pts) The past few months have been witness to many changes in Eastern Europe. Answer the following questions for 10 points each.

(1) Name the man who replaced Erich Honecker as East German president and shortly thereafter opened East Germany's border with the west. He was himself ousted this past December.

Answer: Egon Krenz

(2) A long time Solidarity activist, he became the first non-communist to head a Soviet satellite when he took over as prime minister of Poland this past summer.

Answer: Tadeusz Mazowiecki (Mahz - oh - vee - kee)

(3) He had been in power since 1971, before he was ousted this past November as the president of Bulgaria.

Answer: Todor Zhivkov

X Bonus 2: (30 pts) How well do you remember some of the short stories that you read in high school? For 10 points each and 30 points total, I'll give you the plot of a short story and you give me the title.

(1) Written by Roald Dahl, it tells the story of a housewife, Mary Maloney, who kills her husband Patrick and manages to cover up the crime so well that the police end up eating the murder weapon.

Answer: Lamb to the Slaughter

(2) Written by Frank Stockton, it tells the tale of a young lover who was forced by a king to make a choice between two doors. The king's daughter knew what lay behind the doors and pointed to one. The story ends with the lover opening the door and the reader guessing what he found.

Answer: The Lady or the Tiger

(3) Written by Richard Connell, it tells the story of a shipwrecked sailor named Sanger Rainsford who ends up on Ship Trap Island. There he meets General Zaroff who proposes to take him hunting. Because he refuses, Rainsford ends up being hunted himself.

Answer: The Most Dangerous Game

Bonus 3: (30 pts) Wake up former Latin III students. You can earn 10 points for each of these victims of Cicero's oratory.

(1) While serving as a quaistor in Sicily, Cicero was urged by the locals to take up their case against this former governor. The ex-governor didn't like it very well and hired Hortensius, the leading speaker of the day, to defend him. Cicero's victory over Hortensius started his rise to fame.

Answer: Verres

(2) When Cicero won the election to the consulship in 63 BC, the loser did not take it very well and conspired to overthrow the government. Cicero's four speeches exposing this demagogue's plot are his best known.

Answer: Cataline

(3) After Caesar's death in 44 BC, Cicero returned to politics attacking a member of the Second Triumvirate in fourteen speeches known as the Phillipics. This Roman general didn't take it very well and had Cicero beheaded.

Answer: Mark Antony

Bonus 4: (25 pts) He first gained fame at the Paris Exposition Universelle with his Finnish Pavillion. Later he won a competition to design Helsinki's railroad station. Other famous works include Cranbrook Academy, Kleinman's Music Hall in Buffalo, Tanglewood Music School, and Christ Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. With his son Eero, he began work on the General Motors Technical Center.

Eliel Saarinen

Bonus 5: (30 pts) Identify each of the following contemporary German dramatists for 15 points apiece:

(1) He began his association with the theatre in 1968 as an actor, then a director and adapter of classic drama. He turned away from the traditional theatre, leading the antitheatre movement. His plays include The Bitter Tears of Petra von Kant; Bremen Freedom; and Garbage, The City and Death. He also directed films, producing two or three films a year from 1969 till his death in 1983.

Answer: Rainer Werner Fassbinder

(2) Also an advocate of antitheatre--especially with plays like Offending the Audience--he exploded on the theatre scene in 1973 with Kaspar, hailed as the most important European play since Waiting for Godot. Later, he turned to socialist themes with They are Dying Out and The Ride Across Lake Constance. He has also written novels--among the Across and The Goalie's Anxiety at the Penalty Kick--and screenplays, including the critically-acclaimed film "Wings of Desire" with Wim Wenders.

Answer: Peter Handke

X Bonus 6: (30 pts) 30-20-10, name this island.

(1) A British dependency, it is ruled by the Court of Tynwald, an eleven member upper house, and the House of Keys, a lower house of twenty-four representatives.

(2) It is 227 square miles and has a population of 56,000 and its principle towns are the seaports Ramsey, Peel, Douglas, and Castletown

(3) The native (though essentially extinct) language is Manx, a Celti tongue related to Scottish Gaelic. Manx is also the name of a native breed of tailless cats.

Isle of Man

(30) Bonus 7: Answer the following questions about syllogisms for 5 points each and 5 more if you answer them all.

✓ a) can a valid syllogism have false premises?

yes

✓ b) can an invalid syllogism have true premises?

yes

X c) can a positive conclusion be derived from a negative premise?

no

✓ d) does a syllogism test inductive or deductive reasoning?

deductive

+ e) can a valid conclusion be derived if both premises are negative?

no

X Bonus 8: (25 pts) Given a year and an actor or actress, tell me the film that each won an Academy Award for, 5 points each.

(1) Bing Crosby	1944	Going My Way
(2) Elizabeth Taylor	1966	Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf
(3) Alec Guinness	1957	The Bridge on the River Kwai
(4) William Holden	1953	Stalag 17
(5) Burt Lancaster	1960	Elmer Gentry

Bonus 9: (30 pts) How well do you know some of America's largest labor organizations? For 5 points each, 30 points total, tell what the following initials stand for?

✓ (1) AFSCME	American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees
✓ (2) FOP	Fraternal Order of Police
✓ (3) ILGWU	International Ladies Garment Workers' Union
✓ (4) AFL-CIO	American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations
✓ (5) NEA	National Education Association
✓ (6) IAFF	International Association of Fire Fighters

X Bonus 10: (25 pts) It seems that many of today's stars are either returning to Broadway or trying it out for the first time. For 5 points each, and a 5 point bonus for getting them all, given an entertainer, name the current Broadway show that he or she is starring in:

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| (1) Vanessa Redgrave | Orpheus Descending |
| (2) Dustin Hoffman | Merchant of Venice |
| (3) Tyne Daley | Gypsy |
| (4) Sting | 3 Penny Opera |

X Bonus 11: (30 pts) If Virginia is the birthplace of the presidents, then New York must be the birthplace of the vice presidents. For 5 points each, name any 6 of the eight vice presidents born in New York.

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| ✓ George Clinton | ✓ David D. Tompkins |
| ✓ Martin Van Buren | ✓ Millard Fillmore |
| ✓ Schuyler Colfax | ✓ William Wheeler |
| ✓ Theodore Roosevelt | ✓ James S. Sherman |
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X Bonus 12: (30 pts) In the 17th century, the Dutch temperament as reflected in its culture was very much a low-key and a domestic one. Paintings are often of quiet home scenes, landscapes, or ordinary-looking people. For 10 points apiece, identify these painters given a work from that period.

Shipbuilder and his Wife
View of Delft
Merry Lute Player

Answer: Rembrandt van Rijn
Answer: Jan Vermeer
Answer: Frans Hals

X Bonus 13: (30 pts) The serpentine coastline of Central America create many arms of both the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea. Identify these for 10 points each.

- (1) It lies to the north of the Panama/Colombia border. Gulf of Darien
- (2) It is a shallow gulf on Panama's North Coast, west of the Panama Canal. Mosquito Gulf, or Gulf of Mosquito(s)
- (3) It has shoreline on El Salvador, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Gulf of Fonseca

X Bonus 14: They were a family much-involved with the theatre. Theophilus was a Drury Lane manager, assisting his more famous father. He was also briefly manager of the Haymarket, a gifted Shakespearean, and a would-be playwright, although his plays do not match those of his father. He was also by all accounts an utter scoundrel. Susanna, Theophilus' wife, was one of David Garrick's leading ladies, having separated professionally and personally from her husband. She began her career as an opera singer and was well known both for this and her dramatic roles. Colley, Theophilus' father, was an accomplished actor and manager, but is better known now for his dramas, which were popular with almost everyone except Alexander Pope. For 25 points, what was their common patronym?

Answer: Cibber

X Bonus 15: (30 pts) 30-20-10, name this year in American History.

(1) The first execution by electrocution takes place as Thomas Edison convinces the New York state legislature to use his opponent Westinghouse's baby, alternating current, to eliminate criminals.

(2) Jacob Riis publishes How the Other Half Lives, and Wyoming become the 44th state.

(3) The Battle of Wounded Knee is fought.

Answer: 1890

Bonus 16: (25 pts) With their recent world tour, the Rolling Stones have generated a lot of publicity. Given a line or lines from a Rolling Stones song, give the title of the for five points each.

✓ (1) Please allow me to introduce myself / I'm a man of wealth and taste Answer: Sympathy For The Devil ✓

✓ (2) What a drag it is getting old Answer: Mother's Little Helper X

✓ (3) What can a poor boy do / 'Cept to sing for a rock 'n roll band Answer: Streetfighting Man X

✓ (4) I saw her today at the reception / A glass of wine in her hand Answer: You Can't Always Get What You Want ✓

✓ (5) I met a gin soaked queen in Memphis / She tried to take me upstairs for a ride Answer: Honky Tonk Woman X

Bonus 17: (30 pts) One of the best parts of being a king is that in many cases, what you say goes. Name these royal pronouncements for 10 points apiece.

(1) Largely as a result of Henry VIII's libido, this act was passed in 1534. For 10 points, what act declared England free from the Roman Catholic Church? Answer: Act of Supremacy X

(2) Issued in 1713 by Holy Roman Empero Charles VI, it decreed that hi daughter, Maria Theresa, would inherit all Hapsburg lands. Answer: Pragmatic Sanction X

(3) In 1685, Louis XIV caused a mass exodus from France by revoking a royal act of Henry IV. What was Henry's earlier dictum which allowed French Protestants a measure of religious freedom? Answer: Edict of Nantes

Bonus 18: (25 pts) The Roman Empire lasted from 27 BC to 460 AD for a total of 487 years, but for 15 points, exactly how long did the Holy Roman Empire Last?

Answer: 1006 years (800 AD - 1806 AD)

For ten extra points, can you name the first and the last Holy Roman Emperors? Answer: Charlemagne and Francis II

Bonus 19: (30) 30-20-10. Identify this type of animal from a list of types.

- 1) Tucanare and steenbras
- 2) Muskellunge and menhaden
- 3) Wahoo and chub

Answer: sport or game fishes

Bonus 20: (30 pts) Given a list of six stars, arrange them in order from closest to farthest to the sun.

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| (A) Barnard's Star | ANSWER (1) Alpha Centauri (1.33 Parsecs) |
| (B) Alpha Centauri | (2) Barnard's Star (1.83 Parsecs) |
| (C) Arcturus | (3) Sirius (2.67 Parsecs) |
| (D) Sirius | (4) Arcturus (11 Parsecs) |
| (E) Antares | (5) Antares (120 Parsecs) |
| (F) Deneb | (6) Deneb (430 Parsecs) |