

University of Illinois "B"
Toss-up Questions

1. Making up one-tenth of one percent of the population of the Soviet Union, Europe, and North America, this religion was founded in the late 6th century, B.C. Its most significant sects are the Theravada and Mahayana schools. Its scripture is the Tripitika, or "three baskets." For ten points, name this Eastern religion founded by Siddhartha Gautama.

Ans: Buddhism

2. This element has two main allotropes: a yellow and a grey form. It burns in air and reacts with most other elements, forming trivalent and pentavalent compounds. Its chief ore is roasted to yield a deadly white poison. For ten points, what is this Group V-A metalloid with atomic number 33?

Ans: Arsenic

3. In 1851 he was enlisted by Dickens as a collaborator on the staff of the Household Words. His short stories, first published in Dickens' magazines, used the technique of French crime writing. His most famous novel, written in 1860, caused a literary sensation; its alleged fans included Prime Minister Gladstone and Thackeray. Name this English author of classic crime fiction whose major works were The Moonstone and The Woman in White.

Ans: Wilkie Collins

4. This fashion designer is one of the hottest in Paris. He designs three clothing lines each season - one for Chanel, one for Fendi, and one for his own line. He recently remarked, "I think I have a limited talent. Limited, because I'm not Van Gogh, you know." For ten points, name this man who was raised in a castle north of Hamburg.

Ans: Karl Lagerfeld

5. Some experts see it as the last example of the language spoken in southwestern Europe before the Roman invasion. Some see a relationship between it and an extinct language found on inscriptions along the Mediterranean coasts. Others link it with the languages of North Africa or with those of the Caucasus region in southern Russia. Name this language of Northern Spain that does not appear to be related to any other.

Ans: Basque

6. Born circa 328, the emperor of the East from 364-378 defeated the Visigoths in 369 and fought against Persia from 372-376. The Visigoths, admitted into the Empire in 377, later revolted and defeated him at Adrianople. For ten points, name this brother of Valentinian I.

Ans: Valens

7. This word is now used to mean a fantastic idea or a figment of the imagination. In biology, it is an organism made up of cells from more than one zygote. In architecture, this name is given to any grotesque, imaginary beast used for decoration. In Greek mythology, this is a fire breathing, female monster with a lion's front, a goat's middle, and a dragon's behind. She was slain by Bellerophon after she destroyed Lycia and Caria. For ten points, what is the shared name?

Ans: chimera

8. Born in 1882, this Norwegian novelist was best known for her novels dealing with life in the Scandinavian countries during the Middle Ages. Her conversion to Roman Catholicism in 1924 is reflected in her fiction and in such studies as Norske Helgner. Her major work is an epic trilogy set in Medieval Norway called Kristen Lavransdatter, which was largely responsible for her 1928 Nobel Prize in Literature. For ten points, name this author.

Ans: Sigrid Undset

9. This somewhat controversial sculptor was born in 1935 in Bulgaria. He came to New York City in 1964 and expanded the size of some of his sculptures to the size of entire buildings. One of his projects was suspended 18,375 feet over Minneapolis. His works are temporary, but very impressive and seen by many. They have included "Valley Curtain," "Running Fence," and "Surrounded Islands," a pink piece in Biscayne Bay, Florida. For ten points, name this artist.

Ans: Javacheff Christo

10. This North African nation of 919,595 square miles was the setting of Camus' La Peste, or The Plague. In 1962, 11 days before Bastille Day, it gained independence from France. If it conquered Tunisia or Iraq in Kuwait, it would be the northernmost country of Africa. For ten points, name this country whose capital is Algiers.

Ans: Algeria

11. "Any man who is more right than his neighbors constitutes a majority of one" was one of the lesser known of his cornucopia of rebellious sound bites. Although he was an editor of The Dial, he did not, oddly enough, frequent Brook Farm. For ten points, name this civil disobedient transcendentalist who wrote Walden.

Ans: Henry David Thoreau

12. This French mathematician wrote the first calculus textbook, which was published in 1696. He is more famous for his method for finding the limit, if it exists, of a function at a number when it has the indeterminate form 0/0 [zero over zero]. For ten points, name this mathematical theoretician.

Ans: Guillaume Francois de L'Hôpital

13. Born in 1904, this Russian-American virtuoso pianist made his Russian debut at age 17 and gave his first performance in the United States in 1928. Often referred to as the last Romantic pianist, he was noted for his interpretations of Chopin, Rachmaninoff, and Liszt. For ten points, name this acclaimed keyboard artist who was married to Wanda Toscanini.

Ans: Vladimir Horowitz

14. This meteorological entity extends for five to ten miles depending on latitude. All forms of life exist in it or in the waters beneath it. Clouds and other weather phenomena are restricted to it. For ten points, name this layer of the atmosphere, the closest to the earth.

Ans: troposphere

15. This faith, an offshoot of Islam, is centered in Haifa, Israel, and in the United States has its administrative center in Wilmette, Illinois. It stresses unity of all religions and unity of mankind, and states as its aims universal peace, love, fellowship, and sexual equality. For ten points, name this faith which was founded in the 19th century by the Persian Mirza Hussain Ali.

Ans: Baha'i or Baha'ism

16. Of Indian descent, he was imprisoned and exiled as a liberal from 1853-1855 when he was made Justice Minister in the administration that ousted Santa Anna in 1855. His reforms attacked privilege in the Catholic church and the army. In 1861, he was elected president. The French incursion under Maximilian forced him to conduct a guerrilla campaign. He continued to serve from 1867 until his death. For ten points, name this effective ruler of Mexico from 1861-1872.

Ans: Benito Pablo Juarez

17. This economist's ideas that people are more interested in the status their purchases give them rather than in the purchases' utilitarian value were combined under the term "conspicuous consumption." He wrote further on the wealthy in his 1899 book The Theory of the Leisure Class. For ten points, name him.

Ans: Thorstein Veblen

18. Unification of Italy begins under the leadership of Count Cavour; Darwin writes Origin of Species; work begins on the Suez Canal; Fitzgerald translates the "Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam"; John Brown raids Harper's Ferry. For ten points, name the year in which all of these events took place.

Ans: 1859

19. This American Ballet Theater star joined George Balanchine's ABT when she was only 15. She danced with such luminaries as Peter Martins and Mikhail Baryshnikov before leaving ABT in 1984. In her 1986 autobiography, Dancing On My Grave, she exposed the prevalence of cocaine addiction in the ballet world. For ten points, name this ballerina and former cocaine addict who claims she was first introduced to drugs by Balanchine himself.

Ans: Gelsey Kirkland

20. Known as a poor man's lawyer, his first elected post was railroad commissioner. He was impeached in 1929 for bribery and gross misconduct but avoided conviction by rounding up the "Famous 15" state senators. He was elected to the United States Senate in 1930, but continued to govern Louisiana through his hand-picked successor. For ten points, name this ruthless politician who was assassinated in Baton Rouge in 1935.

Ans: "Kingfish" Huey Long

21. Born in 1900, this Dutch astronomer confirmed in 1927 Bertil Lindblad's theory of the Milky Way galaxy's rotation. In the 1950's, he and his colleagues used radio astronomical methods to map the spiral-arm structure of the galaxy. For ten points, name this astronomer who, in 1950, proposed that comets originate in a cloud of material orbiting the sun at a great distance.

Ans: Jan Hendrik Oort

22. This is defined as the change in the wavelength and frequency of a wave as a result of the motion of either the source or the receiver of the waves. It is perceived as a change in the pitch of the sound when a stationary person is approached and passed by a train. It is named after the scientist who first described it in 1842. For ten points, name this physical principle.

Ans: Doppler effect

23. One of the first popular black writers to protest white treatment of blacks, this man wrote Uncle Tom's Children in 1928. In the setting of Chicago, he later created Bigger Thomas, a character who was later brought to Broadway by Orson Welles. For ten points, name the author of Eight Men and Native Son.

Ans: Richard Wright

24. This British explorer jeopardized his 1911 journey by choosing Manchurian ponies as his principal hauling animals instead of dogs. He was forced to kill the ponies for meat on his way, thus slowing down and allowing a Norwegian team to reach the South Pole 34 days ahead of him. For ten points, name this man who died on his return trip from the South Pole.

Ans: Captain Robert Scott

25. He was exiled by dictator Joannes Metaxus and imprisoned during World War II. He escaped from prison in 1944 to become Greece's Prime Minister in exile. His removal by King Constantine II led to the military coup of 1967 and to the abolition of the monarchy in 1973. For ten points, name this Greek statesman who founded Greece's Democratic Socialist Party.

Ans: George Papandreou (NOT Andreas Papandreou)

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Bonus Questions

(25 pts.)

1. I will give you an actor and an actress who both won the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor and Best Supporting Actress, respectively, for the same film. For five points each, name the film for which these actors and actresses won Oscars.

- 1.) Karl Malden, Kim Hunter Ans: A Streetcar Named Desire
- 2.) Jason Robards, Vanessa Redgrave Ans: Julia
- 3.) Red Buttons, Miyoshi Umeki Ans: Sayonara
- 4.) Michael Caine, Dianne Wiest Ans: From Here to Eternity
- 5.) Frank Sinatra, Donna Reed Ans: ~~The Last Picture Show~~

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(25 pts.)

2. For five points each, given the item or property from physics, and the year in which it was discovered, name the scientist.

- 1.) the holograph in 1945 Ans: Dennis Gabor
- 2.) electromagnetism in 1819 Ans: Hans Christian Oersted
- 3.) radioactivity in 1896 Ans: Antoine Henri Becquerel
- 4.) neutron in 1932 Ans: Sir James Chadwick
- 5.) wave theory of light in 1690 Ans: Christiaan Huygens

(30 pts.)

3. Never say die. Name these presidential candidates who just wouldn't take the hint, each losing more than one election for the highest office in the United States.

1.) His Writings and Speeches were collected by Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr., in 1948. A candidate five times on the Social Democratic Party ticket, he gained influence in the 1894 Chicago Pullman Strike.

Ans: Eugene V. Debs

2.) The name-sake of a former United States Vice President, he ran and lost twice. His books include What I Think, Friends and Enemies, Putting First Things First, and Call to Greatness.

Ans: Adlai Stevenson

3.) He was Secretary of State, Congressman, lecturer, and lawyer, but never president, despite running three times. Name this deliverer of the famous "Cross of Gold" speech.

Ans: William Jennings Bryan

(30 pts.)

4. Composers like Beethoven and Mozart are quite common in this sort of tournament. However, you will get ten points apiece for each of the following less renowned composers you can name from a list of their works.

1.) Brigg Fair, On Hearing the First Cuckoo in Spring, North Country Sketches, Florida Suite

Ans: Frederick Delius

2.) Katia Kabanova, The Makropulos Affair, Lachian Dances

Ans: Leos Janacek

3.) Lucretia Borgia, The Daughter of the Regiment, Lucia di Lammermoor

Ans: Donizetti Gaetano

(25 pts.)

5. English is rapidly becoming the world's most spoken language, challenging Mandarin Chinese for the title. For 5 points each, name the next five most spoken languages after Mandarin and English. Note: the data is from 1987.

Ans: Hindi, Russian, Spanish, German, Japanese

(30-20-10)

6. Name this historic American figure after the first clue for 30 points, the second clue for 20 points, or the third clue for 10 points.

1.) She was married to the publisher G.P. Putnam.

2.) She was the author of several books, including The Fun of It and Twenty Hours and Forty Minutes.

3.) She was the first woman pilot to cross the Atlantic Ocean in an airplane.

Ans: Amelia Earhart

(25 pts.)

7. This ancient Greek Presocratic thinker is regarded as the first Western philosopher. One of the Seven Sages, he is reputed to have invented geometry in the 6th century B.C. He believed that the fundamental principle of all things is water. He also was an astronomer, predicting a solar eclipse in 585 B.C. For 20 points, name him.

Ans: Thales of Miletus

(20 pts.)

8. As a result of the measles, this Harvard student suffered eye difficulties and left school in 1834. Aboard the Pilgrim, he sailed around Cape Horn in order to improve his health. The journal he kept on this trip provided the basis for his most famous book about the common sailor. He also was a lawyer, giving free legal aid to blacks captured under the Fugitive Slave Law and, as the U.S. Attorney, winning the case of Amy Warwick in 1863 before the Supreme Court. For 20 points, name this author of To Cuba and Back, Speeches in Stirring Times, A Seaman's Friend, and Two Years Before the Mast.

Ans: Richard Henry Dana

(30 pts.)

9. Yo! Rap is here to stay! For five points each, name the rap artists, given an album or song title.

1.) Yo! Bum Rush the Show Ans: Public Enemy

2.) To the Extreme Ans: Vanilla Ice

3.) Done by the Forces of Nature Ans: Jungle Brothers

4.) Parents Just Don't Understand Ans: DJ Jazzy Jeff & the Fresh Prince

5.) Let the Rhythm Hit 'Em Ans: Eric B. & Rakim

6.) All Hail the Queen Ans: Queen Latifah

(30 pts)

10. The French royalty was apparently not very imaginative, at least when it came to names. Their list of kings includes 4 Henris, 6 Philippes, 10 Charles, and, of course, 18 Louis. For 5 points, put these six French kings in order from earliest to latest: Jean II, Louis Phillipe, Hugh Capet, Henri IV, Francois I, and Charlemagne.

Ans: Charlemagne, Hugh Capet, Jean II, Francois I, Henry IV, Louis Philippe

(20 pts.)

11. Some members of the Bush Cabinet are unhappy with their jobs, as Elizabeth Dole recently showed when she left her post as Secretary of Labor. For five points each, name these other cabinet members who have indicated that they may leave soon.

1.) Secretary of Commerce Ans: Robert Mosbacher

2.) Secretary of Education Ans: Lauro Cavazos

3.) Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Ans: Jack Kemp

4.) Attorney General Ans: Richard Thornburgh

(25 pts.)

12. Given the following list of minerals, place them in the correct order on the Moh's scale, from softest to hardest: quartz, calcite, talc, orthoclase, topaz.

Ans: talc, calcite, orthoclase, quartz, topaz

(25 pts)

13. For five points each, match the following Triple Crown winning horses with their jockeys. Here is the list of horses: Assault, Citation, Secretariat, Seattle Slew, Affirmed. Here is the list of jockeys: Arcaro, Cruquet, Turcotte, Mehrtons, Cauthen.

Ans: Assault - Mehrtons
Citation - Arcaro
Secretariat - Turcotte
Seattle Slew - Cruquet
Affirmed - Cauthen

(30 pts.)

14. For ten points apiece, name the following 20th century American artists from a short description of each.

1.) This artist was born in the Netherlands, but he became a leader of Abstract Expressionism in the United States. He is best known for his monumental series, Woman.

Ans: William de Kooning

2.) This Russian-born artist also became a leader of American Abstract Expressionism. His works are characterized by blurred rectangular forms.

Ans: Mark Rothko

3.) This Georgian fetches the highest prices of any living artist for his works. He was a leader of the Pop Art movement, using common signs and symbols in his works.

Ans: Jasper Johns

(30-20-10)

15. Name this British author, given the titles of some works, for 30 points after one clue, for 20 points after two clues, or for 10 points after the third clue.

- 1.) The Ordeal of Gilbert Pinfold and Officers and Gentlemen
- 2.) The Loved One and Black Mischief
- 3.) Decline and Fall and Brideshead Revisited

Ans: Evelyn Waugh

(30 pts.)

16. For five points each, given the following nicknames, give the name of the state associated with it.

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| 1.) Mountain State | Ans: <u>West Virginia</u> |
| 2.) Camellia State | Ans: <u>Alabama</u> |
| 3.) Old Line State | Ans: <u>Maryland</u> |
| 4.) Nutmeg State | Ans: <u>Connecticut</u> |
| 5.) Coyote State | Ans: <u>South Dakota</u> |
| 6.) Pine Tree State | Ans: <u>Maine</u> |

(30-20-10)

17. Name this contemporary author after the first clue for 30 points, after the second for 20 points, or after the third for 10 points.

- 1.) Her first published novel was Interview with the Vampire.
 - 2.) She wrote several works under the names Anne Rampling and A.N. Roquelaure.
 - 3.) Her most recent work is The Witching Hour.
- Ans: Anne Rice

(25 pts.)

18. For each of the following animals, you will earn five points if you can name the phylum to which it belongs.

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| 1.) centipedes | Ans: <u>Arthropoda</u> or <u>Arthropods</u> * 5 |
| 2.) sponges | Ans: <u>Porifera</u> |
| 3.) rabbits | Ans: <u>Chordata</u> or <u>Chordates</u> |
| 4.) sea cucumbers | Ans: <u>Echinodermata</u> or <u>Echinoderms</u> |
| 5.) squids | Ans: <u>Mollusca</u> or <u>Mollusks</u> |

(20 pts.)

19. Born in 1840 in West Point, New York, to a professor at the Military Academy, it is no surprise that this man graduated from the Naval Academy and served during the Civil War at blockade duty on the coast. He eventually lectured at the U.S. Naval War College in Rhode Island. These lectures were the basis of his most famous work, The Influence of Sea Power Upon History, which argues that the nations with powerful navies and overseas bases are more victorious in war and more prosperous in peacetime. This work was studied by American military and political leaders, as well as naval planners worldwide. For 20 points, can you name this author and seaman?

Ans: Alfred Thayer Mahan

(30-20-10)

20. Name this European author from the following works. If you can name him after the first work, you'll get 30 points, after the second work - 20 points, or after the third work - 10 points.

- 1.) Straight is the Gate
- 2.) The Immortalist
- 3.) The Pastoral Symphony

Ans: Andre Gide

(30-20-10)

21. You will earn 30 points if you can name this world leader after the first clue, 20 points after the second clue, or 10 points after the third clue.

- 1.) He led a revolt that deposed Emperor Lij Yasu in 1916.
- 2.) His reign-name was Ras Tafari.
- 3.) Except for a period in exile, he was Emperor of his country from 1930 until 1974, when, in the face of a nationwide famine, he was deposed by his army.

Ans: Haile Selassie

(20 pts.)

22. Given that people are becoming more and more concerned with ecology, it's surprising how little they actually know about it. You will get five points for each of the following ecological terms you can name, based on a short definition.

- 1.) the weight of a plant

Ans: biomass

- 2.) the rate at which organic molecules are formed in a plant or a population of plants

Ans: gross primary productivity

- 3.) the breakdown of complex compounds into simpler units with the release of energy

Ans: respiration

- 4.) an interconnecting network of species in food chains

Ans: food web

(25 pts.)

23. America is known for its fast food. As fast food becomes more expensive, Americans spend more money each year on it. Medium-sized cities lead the nation in annual restaurant spending per person per year - and most of that money goes to fast food restaurants. You will get five points for each city, up to five cities, you can name on the list of the ten U.S. cities with the highest annual per capita restaurant spending. Give a list of five cities, only, please.

Ans: Wilmington, NC (\$511)
Honolulu, HA (\$502)
Anchorage, AK (\$472)
Lexington-Fayette, KY (\$444)
Huntsville, AL (\$443)
Indianapolis, IN (\$440)
Decatur, AL (\$438)
Raleigh-Durham, NC (\$435)
Anaheim, CA (\$418)
Dothan, AL (\$417)

(20 pts.)

24. It seems that the history of the world has critical periods and quiet ones - so many of the important events seem to occur almost simultaneously. For 5 points each, within 3 years, give the year in which each of these events occurred.

1.) Black slaves brought from Africa to Spanish colony of Santo Domingo; first printed music published in Venice by Petrucci

Ans: 1501 (Accept 1498 - 1504)

2.) Gunpowder Plot by Catholic extremists fails to blow up English King and Parliament; Cervantes writes Don Quixote

Ans: 1605 (Accept 1602 - 1608)

3.) Continental Congress at Philadelphia lists grievances; Priestly discovers oxygen; Karl Scheele discovers chlorine; Johann Goethe publishes The Suffering of Young Werther

Ans: 1774 (Accept 1771 - 1777)

4.) Bismarck establishes North German Confederation; Austria grants home rule to Hungary; Alfred Nobel invents dynamite; Marx publishes Volume I of Das Kapital

Ans: 1867 (Accept 1864 - 1870)