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College Bowl Tossups

1. In the 1991 baseball season, Ricky Henderson stated "I am the greatest" after he reached a record number of stolen bases. FTP, what was the total number of stolen bases he had accumulated to break the record that day?

ans> 939

2. Most students of philosophy know that Frederick Nietzsche wrote Beyond Good and Evil and Man and Superman. But, for a quick ten points, spell Nietzsche.

ans> N-i-e-t-z-s-c-h-e

3. He was so obsessed with death that he arranged for a final portrait of himself to be painted while dressed in his shroud? "Love's Alchemy," "The Flea," and "A Valediction: Of Weeping" are some of his better known poems. A member of the "Metaphysical" poets, ftp, who was he?

ans> John Donne

4. Brave New World was written by Aldous Huxley, and O Strange New World by Howard Mumford Jones. But FTP who composed the New World Symphony?

ans> Anton Dvorak

5. Most people know that 0 degrees Celsius is 32 degrees Fahrenheit. But for another ten points, at what temperature are the Fahrenheit and Celsius scales equal?

ans> -40 degrees

6. When brothers live together and one of them dies without a son, the widow of the deceased shall not marry anyone outside the family, but her husband's brother shall go to her and marry her. What type of marriage is this called? *which was compulsory under Hebrew custom?*

ans> levirate marriage

[se-leh-BEEZ]

7. With happy little islands such as Natuna, Celebes, and Timor, this country, whose population is expected to surpass the population of the US by the year 2000 has one of the highest population densities in Asia. FTP, what is this country?

ans> Indonesia

8. For an obscure sports toss-up, who scored the only goal, a penalty kick, for the 1990 World Cup Final for the champion West German team?

ans> Andreas Brehme

9. This philosophical concept has always loomed large in thought about human motivation, values, and standards. To most people it seems preeminent among the things worth having. Many of the arguments on motivation and value center around its position in the doctrines of psychological and ethical hedonism. FTP, what is this principle posited by Sigmund Freud?

ans> pleasure

9 10. Pencil and paper may be necessary: a 17 foot ladder is propped up against a wall with its base 96 inches away from the wall. FTP, how high up is the top of the ladder?

ans> 15 feet

11. For a lightening quick 10 points, T. S. Eliot wrote that the world will end not with a bang, but with this.

ans> a whimper

10 12. This young actor reminds one of Jack Nicholson. He played a psychotic in the black comedy Heathers and made a cameo appearance in Star Trek 6. For ten points, name this actor who had the lead in the 1991 movie Mobsters.

ans> Christian Slater

- Other than Tom Foley,
 11 13. FTP, name a US representative from Washington, ~~other than Tom Foley.~~

ans> John Miller, Al Swift, Jolene Unsoeld, Sid Morrison, Norm Dicks, Kim McDermott or Rod Chandler.

- 12 14. Changi, Arlanda, Narita, Lester B. Pearson, Gatwick, Orly, and Charles de Gaulle are all, FTP, what sort of major transportation hubs?

ans> airports

- 13 15. For ¹⁰~~20~~ points, what is the number of the psalm that begins with the line "Like snow in summer or rain in harvest, honor for a fool is out of place."

ans> 26

- 14 16. For another fairly obscure sports tossup, as of the completion of the 1990 season, how many saves did Nolan Ryan have in his major league career?

ans> 3

- 15 17. Holst composed a seven part musical piece known as *The Planets*. One of the planets not given a piece was Pluto--it hadn't yet been discovered. FTP, which other planet was not given a segment, since the composer felt it had too many sounds already?

ans> earth

- 16 18. "What dire offence from amorous causes spring/ What mighty contest rise from trivial things." So opens this work, written in mock epic style, complete with a battle of playing cards. FTP, what Alexander Pope work was this?

ans> Rape of the Lock

- 17 19. Despite his fiction, he never got any closer to the vanishing wilderness than Scarsdale, New York. In fact, he was considered a

grouchy, insufferable, reactionary snob. He wrote social criticism, such as Notions of the Americans (1828), but is best known for such novels as The Spy, The Prairie, The Pioneers, The Pathfinder, and The Last of the Mohicans. FTP, who is this 19th century writer?

ans> James Fenimore Cooper

18. If George Bush wins the 1992 presidential election, he will become the second man to have won two presidential and two vice-presidential elections. FTP, identify the only man thus far to have accomplished this feat.

ans> Richard Nixon

19. An acute angle is under 90 degrees; an obtuse, between 90 and 180. FTP, what term is given to an angle over 180 degrees?

ans> reflexive or reflex

20. Ethan A. Hitchcock, Carl Schurz, Stewart L. Udall, Walter J. Hickel, Albert B. Fall, Donald P. Hodel, Harold L. Ickes, and James Watt have all, FTP, served in what governmental capacity?

ans> Secretary of the Interior

21. The ^{word} ~~name~~ is the same: American adventurer-expansionists in the 1850's who incited rebellions in Latin America, mostly for personal gain, the most famous of which was William Walker; and a tactic in the Senate of killing legislation by talking it to death. FTP, what is the common ~~name~~ _{word}?

ans> filibuster

- 22 - He was king of Salamis and his father was Telamon. He encountered a flock of sheep in his madness and believed them to be the sons of Ateus, Agamemnon, and Menelaus. He went mad because the armor of Achilles was given to Odysseus instead of him. FTP, name this hero of the Trojan War.

ans> Ajax

23. You might not have heard of Nathan Birnbaum, but this actor certainly commands the crowds, as he has already sold out the London Palladium for a 1996 performance marking his 100th birthday. FTP, what is the stage name of this seemingly immortal person who played God in the Oh God movies?

ans> George Burns

24. The Yankees in '49, the Cardinals in '67, the Reds in '75, the Yankees again in '78, and the Mets in '86. These teams all broke the hearts of the fans of, FTP, what major league baseball team which hasn't won the World Series since it sold Babe Ruth in 1918?

ans> Boston or Red Sox

25. According to Abraham Maslow, this term refers to the rarely reached full result of the inner-directed drive of humans to grow, improve, and use their potential to the fullest. This state was reached by people such as Einstein and Beethoven. FTP, what is the name of this psychological condition or state?

ans> self-actualization

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Bonuses

1. For 15 points each, 30 possible, what do the following automotive abbreviations stand for?

[in English or German]

- a> BMW ans> Bavarian Motor Works or Bayerische Motoren Werke ✕
 b> GTO ans> Gran Turismo Omologato

2. In what state are the following army forts found? 5 points are your for each you can answer:

- a> Ft Knox ans> Kentucky ✕
 b> Ft Bliss ans> Texas
 c> Ft Sill ans> Oklahoma
 d> Ft Ord ans> California ✕
 e> Ft Bragg ans> North Carolina
 f> Ft Dix ans> New Jersey ✕

3. Animals appear on the flags of certain countries. Given a list a 5 countries and 5 animals, match the animals with their corresponding flags.

Countries> Albania, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe, Zambia

Animals> lion, sitting bird, soaring bird, dragon, two-headed eagle

answer> Sri Lanka ✕ - lion; Bhutan ✕ - dragon; Albania ✕ - two headed eagle;
 Zambia - soaring bird; Zimbabwe - sitting bird

4. This will be a test of your knowledge of musical abbreviations. For example, CCR stands for Credence Clearwater Revival. But for 5 points each, for a total of 20 possible, name the following groups:

- a> BTO ans> Bachman Turner Overdrive ✕
 b> CSNY ans> Crosby Stills Nash and Young ✕
 c> ELO ans> Electric Light Orchestra ✕
 d> S&G ans> Simon and Garfunkel ✕

5. You will get 25 points, 5 each, for naming the first prime ministers of the following nations.

- a> Pakistan ans> Mohammad Ali Jinnah ✕
 b> India ans> Jawarhalal Nehru ✕
 c> Israel ans> David Ben Gurion ✕
 d> Indonesia ans> Sukarno ✕
 e> Canada ans> Sir John MacDonald

6. For a 20 point bonus, 10 points for each, give the name of the current highest paid chancellor of a major national university and what university is he affiliated with?

ans> Joe B. Wyatt and Vanderbilt University

6 7. For a 20 point bonus, 10 points each, given the name of the humor magazines of the following universities:

- a>Princeton ans> The Tiger ✕
 b>Brown ans> Spoke

7 8. (30 point bonus) There have been split national champions in college football for the past 2 seasons. But, for ten points each, name the last year before 1990 there was a split and the two teams it was between?

Ans> 1978, USC, and Alabama

8. Time for the most anal of all chemistry questions. Yes, it's periodic table chess. Your knight is on Rhodium. For 25 points, 5 for each one and an extra 5 for all correct, name the 4 elements you can legally move to.

Ans> copper, gold, rhenium, and manganese

9 10. Here's your assassin bonus. For 5 points each, 30 possible, name the victims of the following assassins.

- a> Nathuram Gods e ans> Mahatma Gandhi ✕
 b> Carl Weiss ans> Huey Long ✕
 c> Charles Gurteau ans> James Garfield
 d> Gavrilo Princip ans> Archduke Ferdinand ✕
 e> Sirhan Sirhan ans> Robert Kennedy ✕
 f> Leon Czolgosz ans> William McKinley ✕

10. Here's your comic book bonus. For 25 points, give the secret identity of each of the following current DC comics characters:

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| a> The Question | ans> <u>Vic Sage</u> |
| b> Green Arrow | ans> <u>Oliver Queen</u> |
| c> Animal Man | ans> <u>Buddy Baker</u> |
| d> Nightwing | ans> <u>Dick Grayson</u> |
| e> Flash | ans> <u>Wally West</u> |

- 11 12. With the 21st Century rolling around fairly soon, it seems likely that the European Community will be a major economic force in the New World Order. For 30 points, 5 points for two countries, name all 12 EC members. An unpaired response has no points (i.e. 11 countries = 25 points)

Ans> Great Britain, Ireland, Portugal, Spain, France, Luxembourg, Italy, Netherlands, Belgium, Germany, Denmark, and Greece.

- 12 13. During the reign of Augustus Caesar the months July and August received their current names. For 10 points each, what were their former names (not necessary to give in order)?

Ans> quintilis and sextilis

- 13 14. The required African geography bonus: 30-20-10 identify the country:

30 point clue: Safi, Agadir, Tetovan

20: Kenitra, Meknes, Marrakech

10: Fez, Tangier, Onja

Ans> Morocco

- 14 15. Answer these questions about the land down under (Australia for the less geographically inclined) for 10 points each:

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| a> What is the largest city? | Ans> <u>Sydney</u> |
| b> Who is the Prime Minister? | Ans> Robert James <u>Hawke</u> |
| c> What strait separates Tasmania from the rest of Australia? | ans> the <u>Bass Strait</u> |

15 16. This Bonus will test your knowledge of the solar system. Pay attention to the wording of the questions:

- a> This moon is the largest in size relative to the size of the planet it orbits ans> Charon ✓
- b> This largest moon of the planet it orbits was discovered by Galileo. ans> Ganymede ✗
- c> This is the largest moon in absolute size (no cute tricks). ans> Titan ✗
- d> This moon shares its name with a queen of the fairies. ans> Titania ✗

16 17. Baby animals often have different names than the adults of their species. For 5 points each, give the adult name of these babies:

- A> leveret ans> hare ?
- B> squab ans> pigeon
- C> sprag ans> codfish
- D> farrow ans> pig
- E> spike ans> mackerel
- F> cosset ans> sheep

17 18. (20 point bonus) This bonus will test your knowledge of words starting with LIM. Give the correct LIM-words for 5 points each.

- A> the scientific study of fresh waters ans> limnology ✗
- B> a type of cheese ans> limburger ✗
- C> a mollusk species ans> limpet
- D> a luxurious sedan ans> limousine ✓

18 19. Thomas Jefferson's home is called Monticello, but for ten points each, thirty possible, name the famous people who owned the following estates.

- a. The Hermitage A: Andrew Jackson ✓
- b. Sunnyside A: Washington Irving
- c. San Simeon A: William Randolph Hearst ✗

20. Identify this poet on the 30-20-10 basis.

30 point clue - He was killed in WWI at the Second Battle of the Marne
 20 - He wrote, "poems are made by fools like me," in his poem "Trees."
 10 - Because of his first name, he is often mistakenly thought to be a woman.

Answer - Joyce Kilmer

19 21. For 5 pts. each, 25 pts. possible, name the singers and group that released the following pop music albums in 1984.

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| a. Caught in the Act | A: <u>Styx</u> |
| b. Nuclear Furniture | B: <u>Jefferson Starship</u> |
| c. You Broke My Heart in 17 Places | C: Tracey <u>Ullman</u> |
| d. The Swing | D: <u>INXS</u> |
| e. Ammonia Avenue | E: The Alan <u>Parsons</u> Project |

20 22. (25 points) The only two sure things in life are death and taxes. For 5 points each, name these death related words. All answers begin with necro-.

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| a. an abnormal attraction to a death or dead bodies | ans> <u>necrophilia</u> |
| b. the eating of parts of a mutilated corpse | ans> <u>necrophagia</u> |
| c. an abnormal fear of death | ans> <u>necrophobia</u> |
| d. the stealing of corpses death of a living tissue | ans> <u>necrotopium</u> <u>necrosis</u> |
| e. the dissection of a dead body | ans> <u>necropsy</u> or <u>necrotomy</u> |

21 23. (30 points) The invasion of Normandy was codenamed Operation Overlord. For 10 points each, give the codenames for the following military operations:

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| a. The Allied invasion of Italy | A: <u>Avalanche</u> |
| b. Hitler's invasion of the USSR | B: <u>Barbarossa</u> |
| c. Allied invasion of Africa | C: <u>Torch</u> |

22 24. France had several kings named Louis. For 10 points each, answer the following questions about them:

- a. The Louis known as the "Sun King" ans> Louis XIV
- b. Which Louis was made a Saint? ans> Louis IX
- c. Which Louis was known as "Louis the Fat"? ans> Louis VI

23 25. For five points apiece, determine whether each of the following cities was part of East or West Germany before reunification:

- a. Stuttgart ans> west
- b. Dusseldorf ans> west
- c. Leipzig ans> east
- d. Heidelberg ans> west
- e. Dresden ans> east

24. 30-20-10, identify the writer from his works.

A. Penrod and Penrod and Sam

B. Seventeen

C. Alice Adams, and The Magnificent Ambersons

(Booth Tarkington)