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TOSS-UPS

1. Born in Lycia in the early fourth century, as a child he adopted a self-imposed twice a week fast. He became a bishop, and his generosity toward the poor and fondness for children became legendary. The patron saint of Russia and Greece, he was also a prominent attendant at the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D. Who was this man, subject of a poem by Clement Moore, whose generosity inspired many legends still popular today?

Saint Nicholas

2. He was a "man with a mouth like a mastiff, a brow like a mountain, and eyes burning like anthracite." He beat "Old Scratch" himself in the biggest case of his life because even the damned had to salute his eloquence. What nineteenth-century statesman is the main character in this Stephen Vincent Benet story?

Daniel Webster

3. Born Lester Gillis, he was first convicted of larceny in 1921 at the age of 13. A member of the Dillinger Gang of machine gun bank-robbers, he became public enemy number one when Dillinger was killed in 1934. He was killed the same year in a shootout with FBI agents. Who was this man, who earned his famous "youthful" nickname after his first bank robbery?

George "Babyface" Nelson

4. First produced in 1945 at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, it is a radioactive metal of the lanthanide group. Used in specialized miniature batteries, it has an atomic mass of 145 and an atomic number 61. What is this element, named for a famous Greek mythological figure, whose symbol is Pm?

Promethium

5. Bordered on the north by Chad, on the east by Sudan, on the west by Cameroon, and on the south by Congo and Zaire, its chief river is the Ubangi. What is this African nation, whose chief languages are French and Sangho, and whose capital is Bangui?

Central African Republic

6. Twice in each lunar month, when the sun, moon, and earth are directly aligned, the sun and moon exert their gravitational force in a mutually additive fashion. Higher high tides and lower low tides are produced. FTP, what do we call these tides, the opposite of neap tides?

spring tides

7. Set in 16th century Mantua, the title character is a hunchback court jester who helps the Duke of Mantua with his various love affairs, until his daughter Gilda becomes the Duke's next desire. The title character's plot to kill the Duke tragically ends in Gilda's death instead. In a nutshell, this is the plot of what

classic Verdi opera?

Rigoletto

8. Her five book series tells about several British children and their roles in the struggle between the forces of good and evil. The fourth book in the series won the 1976 Newberry Award. Who is this author, whose pentology includes the books "Over Sea, Under Stone", "The Dark is Rising", "Greenwitch", "The Grey King", and "Silver on the Tree"?

Susan Cooper

9. On December 3, 1992, a federal judge awarded him \$27.3 million in compensatory and punitive damages in his suit against track and field's international governing body for having suspended him for alleged drug violations. For 10 points, who is this controversy-embroiled world record-holder in the 400 meter sprint?

Butch Reynolds

10. Born in Oslo in 1896, he held national posts as minister of justice, of commerce, and of foreign affairs. During World War II, he helped manage supplies and shipping for the small Norwegian forces that fought Germany, and in 1945 he led Norway's delegation to the UN conference in San Francisco. He helped draw up the charter for the UN security council. Who is this statesman, who served as the first secretary-general of the United Nations?

Trygve Lie

11. Born in Spain, he spent enough time in Paris to be heavily influenced by Fauvism and Dadaism, and he helped establish the surrealism movement in the 1920's. His highly abstract forms suggest people, animals, and other subjects, and many of his paintings contain a story disguised by the abstractness of the shapes and colors. FTP, name this Spanish artist.

Joan Miro

12. Born in Jerusalem, he was governor of Galilee when the war between the Jews and the Romans broke out in 66 A.D. The Roman army defeated him, and held him a semi-prisoner for three years. After Jerusalem fell in 70 A.D., he went to Rome and became a citizen there. For 10 points, name this man, best known for his historical works "Jewish Antiquities" and "History of the Jewish War."

Flavius Josephus

13. He was most recently seen on stage in Washington D.C.'s Shakespeare theater as Hamlet. Most people know him better from the movies, however. His screen credits include "Slam Dance," "Echo Park," "Parenthood," and "Dominick and Eugene." Who is this actor, who played Mozart in Milos Forman's adaptation of "Amadeus"?

Tom Hulce

14. The first woman to be elected to the American Academy of Arts and Letters, she was an ardent feminist and social reformer. She helped her husband edit the Boston abolitionist paper

"Commonwealth," and wrote several collections of verse, as well as the treatises "Sex and Education" and "Modern Society." However, she is best remembered for writing the words to a patriotic civil war song, set to the tune of "John Brown's Body." FTP, name this author of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Julia Ward Howe

15. Scientists can measure the strength of the magnetic field on the surface of the sun and other stars primarily because of this effect, first discovered in 1896 by a Dutch physicist. It is the splitting of a spectral line when a source of light is placed in a magnetic field. FTP, name this scientific effect.

Zeeman Effect

16. The first ones were descendants of knights who settled in Prussia in the Middle Ages. They gained a monopoly of civilian and military offices during the reign of Frederick the Great, and continued to hold power through the twentieth century, when they helped the Nazis overthrow the Weimar Republic. FTP, what was this class of wealthy Prussian landowners?

Junkers

17. In his first symphony, the children's tune "Frere Jacques" can be heard. His second symphony has a choral finale, using as its text an ode by Klopstock. His eighth symphony is entirely choral, in two huge movements, the second of which is a musical setting for part of Goethe's "Faust." He is probably best known for an orchestral song cycle called "Das Lied von der Erde," or "The Song of the Earth." Who is this Austrian composer, who died in 1911?

Gustav Mahler

18. Fought at the Maumee River rapids near modern Toledo, Ohio, in 1794, it opened up the Old Northwest to settlement. A large force led by general Anthony Wayne decisively defeated the Indians, who had risen to oppose settlement beyond the Ohio River. What is this historic battle, so named because the Indians concealed themselves behind trees brought down by a storm?

Battle of Fallen Timbers

19. He went golfing on February 6, 1971 with a 6-iron. He missed his first shot, hit his second shot about 200 yards, and boomed the third shot 400 yards, about 260 yards further than a standard 6-iron shot. Then again, the circumstances were unusual, since gravity had been reduced by a factor of 6. FTP, name this golfing astronaut, who left three balls on the moon.

Alan Shepard

20. During the Civil War, a military court in Indiana convicted a civilian of cooperating with Confederate forces. The case was appealed, and in 1866, the Supreme Court ruled unanimously that the military court was illegal because civil courts were open nearby. The defendant was thereby freed. What was this case, one of the most important in the history of American civil liberties?

Ex Parte Milligan

21. His rule began in 285, and he reformed the Roman army and administration, dividing the empire into 4 regions. In 303, he initiated the last universal persecution of the Christians. FTP, identify this Roman Emperor, who abdicated in 305 and was succeeded by Constantine.

Diocletian (Acc. Gaius Diocletianus)

22. "Come Talk to Me," "Love to be Loved," "Blood of Eden," "Washing of the Water," "Fourteen Black Paintings," "Kiss that Frog," and "Digging in the Dirt" are all tracks on what new album by Peter Gabriel with a 2-letter title?

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23. Characters in this play include Mamillius, Antigonus, and Florizel, son of Polixenes, who falls in love with Perdita, daughter of Leontes and Hermione. For 10 points, identify this Shakespearean romance, set in Sicily and Bohemia, which includes the famed stage direction "Exit, pursued by a bear."

The Winter's Tale

24. FQTP, Vincent Auriol and Rene Coty were both presidents of which number French republic?

Fourth Republic (Acc. 4)

~~25. Their names are Urth, Werthandil, and Skuld, or Past, Present, and Future. Who are these Norse demigoddesses of fate, similar to the Greek Fates?~~

~~Norns~~

26. FQTP, in which U.S. state did Bill Clinton receive the highest percentage of the popular vote?

Arkansas

27. His latest opera is Goya. Who is this composer of The Saint of Bleecker Street and Amahl and the Night Visitors?

Gian-Carlo Menotti

28. For 10 points, what 6-letter name is given to the French system of classifying wounded soldiers?

Triage

29. FQTP, if you add up all of the powers of two from 1 to 2048, what is the resulting sum?

4095

30. Robert Burns and Schiller are born, Handel dies, Voltaire publishes "Candide", and the British gain Quebec from the French following the battle of the Plains of Abraham. FTP, in what year did these events occur?

1759

Maryland (Mitt Baker)

BONUS QUESTIONS

1. (30) For 5 points each, give the line of poetry which follows each of the following. You will get an additional 5 points if you can name the poet who penned the lines.

1. "For of all sad words of tongue or pen"
"The saddest words are these, 'It might have been' "
John Greenleaf Whittier
2. "The woods are lovely, dark, and deep"
"But I have promises to keep"
Robert Frost
3. "Here once the embattled farmers stood"
"And fired the shot heard round the world"
Ralph Waldo Emerson

2. (30) For 10 points apiece, answer the following concerning the rarest play in baseball: the unassisted triple play.

1. What Philadelphia Phillies second baseman had one during the 1992 season?

Mickey Morandini

2. Who was the last player to make an unassisted triple play before Morandini?

Ron Hansen

3. What Cleveland Indians ballplayer had the only unassisted triple play in World Series history?

Bill Wambsganss

3. (30) Identify the following painters given a famous work. Hint: each correct answer will begin with the letter "C".

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| 1. "Bridge of Narni" | Camille <u>Corot</u> |
| 2. "The Haywain" | John <u>Constable</u> |
| 3. "I and the Village" | Marc <u>Chagall</u> |
| 4. "The Conversion of St. Paul" | Michelangelo <u>Caravaggio</u> |
| 5. "Mont Sainte-Victoire" | Paul <u>Cezanne</u> |
| 6. "The Artist's Studio" | Gustave <u>Courbet</u> |

4. (30) Identify the following two-letter words, each of which begin with the letter "A", from the crossword clues provided.

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| 1. Hawaiian Lava | <u>aa</u> |
| 2. Champagne | <u>ay</u> |
| 3. Three-toed sloth | <u>ai</u> |
| 4. One, in Scottish | <u>ae</u> |
| 5. At the (French) | <u>au</u> |

6. Assamese tribe

ao

5. (30) For 15 points each, identify these Greeks who were both astronomers and philosophers from a brief description.

1. He is generally credited with the discovery of the obliquity of the ecliptic, invention of the sun dial, and the introduction of geographic maps. He formulated the doctrine of a single-world principle, the starting point of the cosmic process he called the "infinite."

Anaximander

2. The first to introduce a dualistic explanation of the Universe, he also gave the first known explanation of moon phases, as well as solar and lunar eclipses. He taught Pericles, Euripides, and possibly Socrates.

Anaxagoras

6. (30) Identify the capital given a country, for 5 points each.

1. Mauritania
2. Brunei
3. Chad
4. Madagascar
5. Burundi
6. Tonga

Nouakchott
Bandar Seri Begawan
N'djamena
Antananarivo
Bujumbura
Nuku'alofa

7. (30) A weighted ("biased") coin is flipped three times and the results tabulated. The probability of getting heads all three times is $1/27$. What is the probability of getting no heads, one head, and two heads, respectively, in the three flips? You will receive ten points per correct answer - and you have 20 seconds.

No heads: $8/27$
One head: $12/27$ (Acc. $4/9$)
Two heads: $6/27$ (Acc. $2/9$)

8. (30) Given a southern U.S. state, identify the current governor, for 5 points apiece.

1. Alabama
2. Georgia
3. Mississippi
4. Louisiana
5. Florida
6. Arkansas

Guy Hunt
Zell Miller
Kirk Fordice
Edwin Edwards
Lawton Chiles
Jim Guy Tucker

9. (25) Many holidays are now celebrated because of the ideas or hard work of one particular person in American history. Given such a person, name the holiday he or she helped to establish, for 5 points each.

1. Sarah Josepha Hale
2. Anna Jarvis
3. Michael Goldgar
4. Peter J. McGuire
5. Sonora Smart Dodd

Thanksgiving
Mother's Day
Grandparent's Day
Labor Day
Father's Day

10. (30) The author, who was in France when the Germans invaded in 1940, is said to have taken refuge in the Church of St. Bernadette of Lourdes and to have vowed to dedicate a book to the saint of he should escape. When he escaped to the U.S. in 1940, he began work on the promised novel, and it was published in 1941. For 15 points each, name this widely read novel and its Prague-born Austrian author.

The Song of Bernadette by Franz Werfel

11. (30) It's time for a Beatles bonus. I'll give you a Beatles tune, and you tell me from what album the song originally comes, for 5 points each.

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| 1. "Birthday" | <u>The White Album</u> |
| 2. "Love Me Do" | <u>Please Please Me</u> |
| 3. "Golden Slumbers" | <u>Abbey Road</u> |
| 4. "Eleanor Rigby" | <u>Revolver</u> |
| 5. "All My Loving" | <u>With the Beatles</u> |
| 6. "I am the Walrus" | <u>Magical Mystery Tour</u> |

12. (25) "I look down upon my open grave." This was how a nineteenth-century statesman described his situation as the swing vote in the impeachment trial of President Andrew Johnson. When Johnson was acquitted by one vote, it was this man's principles which ruled. Who was this courageous senator, whose career was shattered by his decision to vote against party lines and whose moral fortitude is described in John Kennedy's "Profiles in Courage"?

Edmund G. Ross

13. (30) I'll give you clues about three Nobel prizewinners in physics. For 10 points each, identify these men and women.

1. Won the 1971 award for his invention of holography.
Dennis Gabor

2. She shared the 1963 prize with Eugene Wigner and J. Hans Jensen for her research on the structure of the atom and its nucleus.

Maria Goeppert Mayer

3. Won the 1960 prize for his invention of the bubble chamber.

Donald Glaser

14. (30) On this bonus, you will receive 30 points if you get the year exactly, 20 if you are one year off, and 10 if you are within 2 years. Identify the year in which Joseph Stalin and Leon Trotsky were born, Ibsen published "A Doll's House" and Henry James published "Daisy Miller", Honore Daumier died and Paul Klee was born, the British Zulu war began and ended, and James Clerk Maxwell died while Albert Einstein was born.

15. (30) Given a rock 'n roll singer's real name, provide the more common stage name which he or she is known by, for 5 points each.

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| 1. George Sumner | <u>Sting</u> |
| 2. Patricia Andrejewski | <u>Pat Benetar</u> |
| 3. David Robert Jones | <u>David Bowie</u> |
| 4. William Bailey | <u>Axl Rose</u> |
| 5. Reginald Kenneth Dwight | <u>Elton John</u> |
| 6. Annie Mae Bullock | <u>Tina Turner</u> |

16. (30) Place the following cabinet posts in order of presidential succession from first in to last in line for the Presidency. The Cabinet posts are: Sec. of Interior, Attorney General, Sec. of Commerce, Sec. of Transportation, Sec. of Treasury, Sec. of Agriculture.

Treasury
Attorney General
Interior
Agriculture
Commerce
Transportation

17. (30) Let's see how much you know about the operas of Mozart. I'll give you six Mozart creations, and you will have to place them in correct chronological order, for 5 points apiece. The operas are: Don Giovanni, The Magic Flute, Idomeneo, Cosi fan tutte, The Marriage of Figaro, and Abduction from the Seraglio.

Answer: Idomeneo
Abduction from the Seraglio
Marriage of Figaro
Don Giovanni
Cosi fan tutte
The Magic Flute

18. (25) There have been four U.S. presidents who never appointed a Supreme Court justice. Well, okay, Bill Clinton makes five, but Harry Blackmun is expected to retire soon, so let's not count him. For 5 points apiece and a 5 point bonus for all four, name these rather undistinguished presidents.

Jimmy Carter, William Henry Harrison,
Zachary Taylor, Andrew Johnson

19. (30) 30-20-10. Identify the author from a list of works.
30: "Rosmersholm" and "The Lady from the Sea"
20: "Pillars of Society" and "When We Dead Awaken"
10: "John Gabriel Borkman" and "An Enemy of the People"

Henrik Ibsen

20. (25) Born in 1465, he was appointed by the Church to raise money for the building of St. Peter's Basilica. To raise the necessary money, he sold papal indulgences, declaring that anyone who bought an indulgence could choose a soul to be freed from purgatory. His claim led Martin Luther to draw up his 95 theses in protest. For 25 points, who was this Dominican monk who indirectly brought about the Protestant Reformation?

Johann Tetzel

21. (30) Identify the Graham Greene novel from its setting, for 5 points apiece.

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| 1. Mexico | <u>The Power and the Glory</u> |
| 2. Haiti | <u>The Comedians</u> |
| 3. West Africa | <u>The Heart of the Matter</u> |
| 4. Congo leper colony | <u>A Burnt Out Case</u> |
| 5. Vienna | <u>The Third Man</u> |
| 6. Vietnam | <u>The Quiet American</u> |

22. (30) Identify the director of the following recent films, for 5 points each.

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| 1. "The Crying Game" | <u>Neil Jordan</u> |
| 2. "Damage" | <u>Louis Malle</u> |
| 3. "A Few Good Men" | <u>Rob Reiner</u> |
| 4. "Peter's Friends" | <u>Kenneth Branagh</u> |
| 5. "Chaplin" | <u>Richard Attenborough</u> |
| 6. "Hoffa" | <u>Danny DeVito</u> |

23. (25) For 25 points, name the island group in the Bering Sea where the fur seals go in order to mate.

Probilof Islands

24. (30) For 10 points apiece, name the three men who signed the Treaty of Verdun in 843 A.D.

Charles the Bald
Louis the German
Lothair

25. (25) For 10 points each and a 5 point bonus for getting both, name the two U.S. presidents who served as ambassadors to Russia.

John Quincy Adams
James Buchanan