

The George Washington University Invitational
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The Toss-Ups

1) Born in Berlin in 1901, she admitted not being much of an actress. This didn't deter von Sternberg from casting her in the lead role of "Morocco", her first American feature. She went on to act in other von Sternberg movies like "Blonde Venus" and "Shanghai Express." After falling out of the director's favor, her name became Hollywood poison until the 1950's, when she had major roles in "Destry Rides Again" and, most famously, "Witness for the Prosecution." FTP, identify this actress, whose recent death prompted the release of a biography by her daughter Maria Riva. Marlene Dietrich

2) The original title of this album was going to be Unforgettable, as a not-so-subtle insult to the song that won most of the major 1992 Grammys. Two of the band members objected, and the title was changed. The album now gets its name for an item on the menu of Weaver D's Restaurant in Athens, Georgia. FTP, identify this album, the latest by R.E.M.

Automatic for the People

3) In computers, they are temporary holding places for data set by the CONFIG.SYS file. In the body, they work to stabilize the blood's pH by breaking down carbonic acid after respiration. In history, they describe the many states formed to separate Russia and France at the Congress of Vienna. FTP, what are they? buffers

4) October 1992 saw an invasion that surprisingly did not make front-page news. It was not Sarajevo or Kuwait City that was invaded. Rather, it was Triesenberg, a small town in Liechtenstein, that fell to this country's army before local police liberated the town. Actually, the army was conducting maneuvers when it accidentally crossed the border and illegally asked a Triesenberg woman if they could use her garage as an observation post. FTP identify this country, whose foray into Liechtenstein created a diplomatic disaster for a perpetually neutral nation. Switzerland

5) You know, it would be really hilarious if I threw in a spelling question. So, FTP, spell hilarious.

6) Born in 1815, he attended Harvard but left after suffering a serious eye injury as a sophomore. However, he returned a year later and completed his legal studies. He was active in the Free-Soil Party and did pro bono legal work for slaves captured under the Fugitive Slave Act. The height of his legal career came when he persuaded the Supreme Court to uphold the constitutionality of the Northern blockade during the Civil War. The height of his literary career came with his first book, a tale of the author's voyage to California around Cape Horn entitled Two Years Before the Mast. FTP, who is he?
Richard Henry Dana

7) Breakthrough, Powerball, Atlasphere, Assault, Skytrack, Human Cannonball, Joust, and the Eliminator. FTP, which TV show, hosted by Mike Adamle and Larry Csonka, has

these events? American Gladiators

8) This European city was vastly important in the first half of this millenium. It was originally a Varangian trading town and became a principality after Rurik captured it in 862. Under the rule of Alexander Nevskii, the city managed to avoid devastation by the Mongols. It prospered after they left, eventually reaching a population of 400,000 in the 14th century. The city even rivalled Moscow until Ivan III conquered it in 1478 and Ivan IV laid it to waste in 1570. Its decline reached a nadir in August of 1941, when the Nazis seized the city and held it for almost three years. FTP, identify this city, formerly Lithuanian but currently Russian, on the shores of Lake Il'Men. Novgorod

9) Alexander the Great, Revelations, Running Free, Still Life, Hallowed Be Thy Name, and Rime of the Ancient Mariner. FTP, which heavy-metal group, fronted by Bruce Dickinson and accompanied on tour by Eddie, created these songs? Iron Maiden

10) Those of you that have seen "Matinee" starring John Goodman may remember the scene involving the shockers under the seats in the movie theater. The idea is not an original one. In fact, it had been done in a movie called "The Tickers," one of the first horror movies ever made. FTP, which currently octagenarian master of suspense starred in that movie? Vincent Price

11) Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead wins the New York Drama Critics' Circle Award, Yasunari Kawabata becomes the only Japanese person to win the Nobel Prize in Literature, Ruth Gordon wins the Best Supporting Actress Oscar for "Rosemary's Baby", the White Album is released, North Korea seizes the Pueblo, and President Johnson decides not to run for reelection. FTP, in which year did all these events occur? 1968

12) Oakes Ames made shovels and helped direct the Union Pacific Railroad. He was also a Congressman from Massachusetts. It was this job that allowed him to gain \$94 million dollars in government contracts through his dummy corporation. Some of this money was, in turn, used as hush money to Schuyler Colfax and Henry Wilson—Grant's then vice-president and vice-presidential nominee. FTP, name this dummy corporation and you'll name the largest scandal in Grant's administration. Credit Mobilier

13) She was considered one of the most brilliant legal minds in the country, until newspapers disclosed that she had used an illegal immigrant to help her with child care. As a result, her name was withdrawn from consideration as Attorney General. FTP, name this woman, who was going to be Clinton's choice to replace Zoe Baird until an eerily similar yuppie crime deep-sexed her. Kimba Wood

14) Born in 1748, he held immense power over French society. Trained initially in the tradition of Boucher, he went to Italy, where the art there made him feel as if he "had been operated on for cataract." He then painted numerous works that portrayed scenes from Greek and Roman mythology while attacking the royals, whom he called "the wigs." He even handled the funeral of Le Peletier de Saint-Fargeau, a Revolutionary martyr, arranging the corpse to look like one of his paintings of Hector. FTP, identify this painter,

more famous for the second Revolutionary martyr he painted, the Death of Marat.
Jacques-Louis David

15) In Monty Python's The Life of Brian, he was portrayed as saying his "r's" like "w's" and as having a friend in Rome (or Wome) named Biggus Dickus. In real life he served under Tiberius and attacked the Samaritans on Mt. Garazin before being called to Rome on charges of cruelty and oppression in 36 A.D. FTP, identify this man, more famous as the governor of Judea that condemned Jesus. Pontius Pilate

16) In biology, it's the process by which embryonic cells develop into specialized cells. In mathematics, it's the process by which one finds the derivative of a quantity. In life, it's the process by which we distinguish ourselves from others. FTP, what is this 15-letter word?

differentiation

17) For the first time ever, exhibits of books, maps, and illuminated manuscripts from this country are being made public. Until April 30, 1993, 200 such works by the likes of Aristotle, Galileo, and even private letters to Anne Boleyn from Henry VIII will be on display in the Library of Congress. FTP, which country, whose Urban VIII was a friend of Galileo's, recently released all of these works from its vast Renaissance library.
Vatican City

18) Of a fear of pain, a fear of mathematics, or a fear of travel, which, FTP, defines algophobia? fear of pain

19) Born in 1930, she saw only two of her plays reach Broadway before her death in 1965. The second was called The Sign in Sidney Brunstein's Window and is about blacks and Jews in Greenwich Village. Her first play, a light comedy set in Chicago, became the first play written by a black woman to be performed on Broadway. FTP identify this woman, author of the pioneering play A Raisin in the Sun. Lorraine Hansbury

20) Name's the same: A T.S. Eliot poem that begins with the line, "Because I do not hope to turn again," or the Christian day that falls 40 days before Easter and signifies the beginning of Lent. Ash Wednesday

21) Set around Rome, this play deals with a Roman general at war with the Volscians. This general, Caius Marcius, is highly successful and even considers becoming a consul, but his arrogance and elitism cause him to be banished from Rome. Now fighting for the Volscians, he allies with his arch-enemy Aufidius and leads an army to Rome. He threatens to burn the city when his mother persuades him not to burn the city and instead strike a compromise. He does so, but upon his return to the Volscians Aufidius turns against him and has him publicly executed. FTP, which Shakespearean play, the last of his tragedies, was just summarized? Coriolanus

22) Dry beer, friendly fire, sweet sorrow, jumbo shrimp, and military intelligence. FQTP, what word describes all these phrases? oxymoron

23) His antics probably could have inspired a pilot on Fox about wacky network executives. Think about it: Our protagonist holds a meeting in Aspen to reveal the new fall schedule, but instead he has a male model reveal himself in front of the Defense Secretary and his wife. Pretty hysterical, eh? It would fit in well as one of their new reality series, because it actually happened. FTP, identify the former head of programming at Fox fired for pulling the aforementioned stunt. Steven Chao

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The Bonus Questions

1) (25) We all grew up listening to early '80's rock and roll, you know, the music that Robert Urich now advertises for. Let now hearken back to those musical best of times. I'll name a song and for five points apiece you tell me which group or singer performed the song.

- a) The Warrior Scandal featuring Patty Smythe
- b) Word Up Cameo
- c) Total Eclipse of the Heart Bonnie Tyler
- d) Gloria (not the U2 version) Laura Branigan
- e) 867-5309 Tommy Two-Tone

2) (30) Time for the Gary Greenbaum Not-Yet-Memorial Question. Perhaps you had one too many to drink last night. In any rate, you awaken in a gutter to find in your hands an arrest warrant describing the drugs you ingested at the rave. Problem is, the drugs aren't given by their names but by their chemical formulae. Since you want to find out what exactly you poisoned your body with, you try to determine the drugs. You will get ten points for each drug you identify from the formula. If you need to know what effect the formula had on you, you earn 5 points.

- a) 1) $C_{17}H_{21}NO_4$
2) This import from Columbia (no, not District of Columbia) makes you paranoid and and probably entered through your nose. cocaine
- b) 1) $C_{17}H_{17}NO(C_2H_3O_2)_2$
2) You would like this opium product if you were part of the Seattle music scene or happened to be a former member of Guns'n'Roses. heroin
- c) 1) $C_{20}H_{25}N_3O$
2) You probably pictured yourself in a boat on a river, with tangerine trees and marmalade skies. LSD

3) (30-20-10) Identify the poem from the following quotations, 30-20-10.

- a) "Between the idea/And the reality/Between the motion/And the act/Falls the Shadow/For Thine is the Kingdom."
- b) "This is the dead land/This is cactus land/Here the stone images/Are raised, here they receive/The supplication of a dead man's hand/Under the twinkle of a fading star."
- c) "Mistah Kurtz, he dead./A penny for the Old Guy."

The Hollow Men by T.S. Eliot

4) (20) William F. Buckley's columns have been known not only for their conservative bent but also for their frequent use of big words. Every year he puts out a desk calendar with a different big word and its definition for each day of the year. I will give you four definitions of words that appeared in the month of January in 1993's calendar and for five points apiece you tell me the word. Hint: All of these words end in "-ism" and are therefore all nouns.

- a) The doctrine that all acts of the will result from causes which determine them in such a

manner that man has no alternative modes of action. determinism

b) An innate tendency to react in a definite manner to stimuli; a natural-born inclination. tropism

c) The exercise of total autocratic powers: a tendency toward monopoly. totalism (Do not accept "totalitarianism.")

d) An argument that is correct in form or appearance but is actually invalid. sophism

5) (30) Does College Bowl drive you crazy? If so, then you may be familiar with the three terms defined below. Correctly identify them for the stated point values.

a) For five points, identify the disorder also known as "bipolar disorder" that Jimi Hendrix sang about. manic depression

b) FTP, this is the drug you would most likely take for your bipolar disorder, and it will make you happy, but that's okay, you found your friends. They're in your head. lithium

c) For 15 points, this is a milder form of bipolar disorder that last only a couple of years and often has dormant periods lasting for months. cyclothymia

6) (20) We here at The George Washington University would be remiss if we did not include a set of questions about the Bard. Some authors have taken a title of their works from a line in one of Shakespeare's plays. I will give an author, and you tell me for five points apiece which play he robbed for a title. You will get a five point bonus for all correct.

a) Tom Stoppard

Hamlet

b) John Steinbeck

Richard III

c) Ray Bradbury

Macbeth

(The titles are, respectively, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead, The Winter of Our Discontent, and Something Wicked This Way Comes)

7) (25) Have you been reading your comic books lately? If so, then you probably know that Doomsday and Superman killed each other recently. But how much do you know about the other members of the Justice League of America? For five points apiece, identify any five of the seven members of the JLA. (Blue) Beetle, Maxima, Fire, Ice, Guy Gardner, Bloodwynd, Booster (Gold)

8) (20) Let's hearken back once again to the not-so-distant past and answer a few questions about that once-trendy but now mostly forgotten TV series: Twin Peaks. Answer these otherwise unrelated questions about the series.

a) For five points, what was Agent Dale Cooper's favorite food while in Twin Peaks? Need a hint? If you're a fan of Warrant (why, I don't know, but it's your life), this question should be easy as pie. cherry pie

b) For another five points, what was the name of that person that Cooper always spoke to through his tape recorder? Diane

c) FTP, what letter of the alphabet was found under one of Laura Palmer's fingernails in the second episode? R

9) (40) That's right, this is a 40-point bonus. As you may have guessed, one of our

favorite motifs is hearkening back to the not-so-distant past. This time, though, we're going to the only real job Ken Ober and Colin Quinn ever had--Remote Control!! Yes, that zany MTV game show. One of my favorite categories was "Sing Along with Colin." Now here's your chance to exercise your singing skills. I will sing some song lyrics and, FTP apiece, you sing the next line. Be careful--a wrong answer stops you. (The moderator may sing if s/he wishes.)

- a) "That's me in the corner/That's me in the spot-light . . ." Losing My Religion (Alternately lyrics: That's me in the porno/That's me in the spot-light/Paying my tuition.)
- b) "Exit light/Enter night/Take my hand . . ." Off to Never-never land (from Enter Sandman, by Metallica)
- c) "Someday Mother will die and I'll get the money/Mom leans over and says, 'My sentiments exactly/You son of a bitch . . ." I Palindrome I (by They Might Be Giants)
- d) "If you change your mind, I'll be first in line./Honey I'm still free . . ." Take a Chance on Me (by the Swedish supergroup ABBA)

10) (20) The Congress of Vienna is one of those events that everyone studies at some point in his or her collegiate career. And since it's getting late and I don't feel like adding more filler than that, I'll just give a country and you tell me that country's principal representative at the Congress.

- a) Austria Count Metternich
- b) France Charles-Maurice de Talleyrand-Périgord
- c) Russia Tsar Alexander I
- d) England Viscount Robert Stewart Castlereagh (Castle-ray)

11) (30) Those of you that have attended tournament at College Park are familiar with two types of questions: the Periodic Table Chess and the Name Combination. Well, in an obvious debt to them (and because the ol' well is running a little dry), I will now write a Name Combination bonus. There is one twist: All of the answers have something to do with music. For instance, if I gave as a clue, "The singer of The Gambler and the writers of Oklahoma!" you would say, "Kenny Rogers and Hammerstein." Easy enough? Each of these is worth 10 points apiece.

- a) The group that did "Casey Jones" and the group that did "Holiday in Cambodia" Grateful Dead Kennedys
- b) The "rapper" that sampled Queen and David Bowie and Wild Cherry for his hits and the rapper that starred in "Boyz n' the Hood." Vanilla Ice Cube
- c) The rapper that did the soundtrack to "Colors" and the only group mentioned by name in "All the Young Dudes" by Mott the Hoople. Ice-T-Rex

12) (30-20-10) Identify the author from a list of his or her works.

- a) "Two Views of a Cadaver Room" and "Watercolor of Grandchester Meadows."
- b) "Ariel," "A Birthday Present" and "Hardcastle Grags."
- c) The Colossus and The Bell Jar Sylvia Plath

13) (20) Written by Jo Swerling and Abe Burrows, this play deals with number runners and crap shooters in New York City. One of them, Nathan Detroit, needs money, so he challenges master gambler Sky Masterson to a bet--namely, that Sky cannot win over the

first girl that Nathan points to. To make matters worse, Nathan points to a nun, Sister Sarah of the Salvation Army. In the end, Sarah brings Sky to the straight and narrow. For twenty points, identify this recently revived Broadway musical, one of whose songs Don Henley sang at the beginning of "Leap of Faith." Guys and Dolls

14) (25) It's time for your favorite biology game: Genetic Guessing!! Suppose that a man with black hair and brown eyes has a child with a woman with blond hair and blue eyes. The result, of course, would be a heterozygous child with black hair and brown eyes (This assumes, of course, that the dominants stay dominant and don't mix in any way.). But if two heterozygous black-haired, brown-eyed people were to procreate, the results may very well be different. For five points apiece and a 5 point bonus for all correct, answer the following questions about the genetic results. (Assume that black hair and brown eyes are dominant.)

- a) What is the probability that the child will have black hair and brown eyes? $\frac{9}{16}$
- b) What is the probability that the child will have black hair and blue eyes? $\frac{3}{16}$
- c) What is the probability that the child will have blond hair and brown eyes? $\frac{3}{16}$
- d) What is the probability that the child will have blond hair and blue eyes? $\frac{1}{16}$

15) (30) Kurt Vonnegut's characters often appear in more than one work of his. Much like Faulkner, Vonnegut found that his same characters were peculiar enough to appear in different stories yet remain essentially the same. FTP apiece, identify these three characters from a brief description.

- a) He's the eccentric philanthropist who, in the book in which he's the title character, tells a group of science-fiction writers that they "are the only ones crazy enough to know what's happening to us." Eliot Rosewater
- b) He's the science-fiction writer who has a cult following wherever he goes despite the fact that virtually nobody but Billy Pilgrim has actually read any of his books. Kilgore Trout
- c) He's the used Pontiac dealer that becomes afflicted with echolalia in Breakfast of Champions. Dwayne Hoobler

16) (25) One of the most melodic forms of music known to mankind is the vocal duet. In order to work, both parts must blend to form the perfect unity. All of these songs listed below achieve that unity. Now all you have to do is separate them into their component parts. I will give five duets, and you, for 5 points apiece, tell me the two singers that sang them.

- a) "Say, Say, Say" Paul McCartney and Michael Jackson
- b) "The Next Time I Fall in Love" Amy Grant and Peter Cetera
- c) "Don't Go Breaking My Heart" Elton John and Kiki Dee
- d) "Islands in the Stream" Kenny Rogers and Dolly Parton
- e) "Almost Paradise" Ann Wilson and Mike Reno

17) (30) C.S. Lewis's most famous work is, of course, The Narnia Chronicles. However, he also dabbled in science fiction. His most famous science fiction effort is arguably The Space Trilogy, in which Ransom is kidnapped and taken to a strange planet and teaches its inhabitants the ways of God. FTP apiece, identify the three books that comprise the

Space Trilogy. Out of the Silent Planet, Perelandra, That Hideous Strength

18) (30-20-10) Each of the following people have the same last name. I will describe one of them and you identify the common last name, 30-20-10.

a) DeWitt was mayor of New York in the early 19th century and lost to Monroe in the 1812 Presidential election.

b) George was DeWitt's uncle and was another politician from New York. He was Jefferson's vice president after Burr's resignation.

c) Roger is a singer and has the potential to become the most embarrassing Presidential relative since Billy Carter. Clinton

19) (20) It will be quite a while before this country ever elects an atheist or even an agnostic to the office of President. Until then, we will just have to settle for Presidents that actually attach some meaning to "In God We Trust." For five points apiece, answer these questions about Presidential religions. (Note: Prompt for more specific on "Protestant" or "Christian")

a) Which religion, with 11, has the most Presidential members? Episcopalian

b) Who was the first Episcopalian President? George Washington

c) Which religion, with 6, has the next most Presidential members? Presbyterianism

d) Only one President in our history was not affiliated with any religion during his tenure in office. Which President was he? Andrew Johnson

20) (30) Most people remember Henry II as the king indirectly responsible for the canonization of Thomas à Becket. However, he made genuine attempts to bring England into the Middle Ages through three famous pieces of legislation (and you may wish to write this down): the Assize of Clarendon, the Assize of Novel Disseisin, and the Constitutions of Clarendon. FTP apiece, I will describe these three pieces of legislation and you tell me which title goes with which description.

a) This 1166 act brought about and authorized the creation of the grand jury. Assize of Clarendon

b) This other act of 1166 provided a method of settling property disputes still used in English law. Assize of Novel Disseisin

c) These acts tried to make the clergy liable to civil law by banning appeals to Rome. These acts were what initially estranged Henry and Becket. Constitutions of Clarendon