

1993 PRINCETON INVITATIONAL

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TOSSUPS

1) Fermat came up with his notorious conjecture, which is still not officially a theorem, while reading a mathematical text, and made the comment in the margin that there was a fascinating proof. FTP, name Princeton's own rising star who proved Fermat's Last Theorem this past summer?

Ans: Andrew WILES

2) If hens love roosters, and geese love ganders, then, FTP, everyone else must love this next door neighbor of Homer Simpson. Ans: Ned FLANDERS

3) He has hosted such shows as "Majority Rules," "Guess Again," "Who's the Boss?," "The Big Surprise," and "Who Pays?" His son is a correspondent for rival ABC-TV. For 10 points, name this CBS News correspondent from "60 Minutes."

Ans: Mike WALLACE

4) We have all heard of the great earthquake in India which recently killed over twenty thousand people. The prime minister of that country made news worldwide for his calm, effective leadership during the crisis. FTP, name him.

Ans: P.V. Narasimha RAO

5) Of all I.B.M. games, perhaps none are loved so much as those in the Wing Commander series. Wing Commander II was called Vengeance of the Kilrathi. What is the recently released Wing Commander III called?

Ans: PRIVATEER

6) "A man talking sense to himself is no madder than one talking nonsense not to himself. Or just as mad." For ten points, identify the 20th century play from which these lines are taken, a work based loosely on a venerable work by Shakespeare.

Ans: ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD
(By Tom Stoppard)

7) The chemical process which separates substances by exploiting their boiling points is used by oil refineries to produce such items as aviation fuel and tar. FTP, what is this process called?

Ans: Fractional DISTILLATION

8) Michael Jackson was recently accused of sexually abusing a boy, leading to allegations that the boy's father brought up the issue in an attempt to force Jackson to help the father's script-writing career. Based on the quality of his most recent movie, he needs all the help he can get. FTP, name the movie that this father recently wrote, a spoof of the Robin Hood legend?

Ans: ROBIN HOOD: MEN IN TIGHTS

9) We know that while reading prose we pause at each period or comma or semicolon. In poetry, it is the same. But what is the term used to describe reading a line of verse and continuing to the next line without a pause?

Ans: ENJAMBMENT

10) The eighth planet from the sun is currently Pluto. However, Pluto will change back to the ninth position fairly soon. For ten points, in what year will this happen, a year which is also the title of an album by Prince?

Ans: 1999

11) In 1948 when Israel was born, Egypt joined its Arab sister nations in invading Israel. They lost. Hostilities between Arab nations and Israel have existed ever since, with two full-scale regional wars breaking out over the subsequent twenty-five years. However, in 1977, a surprise trip was made to Jerusalem by the then-President of Egypt. FTP, name this president of Egypt, who was assassinated for signing a formal peace treaty with Israel?

Ans: Anwar SADAT

12) In our consitutional system, legal cases are generally decided by precedent. What is the Latin technical term for this practice.

Ans: STARE DECISIS (pronounced STAR-ay duh-CEASE-iss)

13) Country music is now America's most popular art form. So, for ten points, who dominated this year's Country Music Association Awards, winning five?

Ans: Vince GILL

14) He recently took the opportunity to relive his childhood by yelling, "Liar, liar, pants on fire!" to George Stephanopoulos - an uncharacteristic move for a man with an IQ above 170, but in character with his general temperament. For ten points, identify this co-host of CNN's Crossfire, and former Bush administration official, who was forced from office by a combination of hostility from his colleagues, and a public scandal.

Ans: John SUNUNU

15) America; Never Before, Never Again; I'm Going To Go Back There Someday; Can You Picture That; I Hope That Somethin' Better Comes Along; and Rainbow Connection are some of the songs from what most sensational, inspirational, celebrational film? Ans: The MUPPET MOVIE

16) It might be the most violent video game ever, which is why there was a predictable furor surrounding its release. FTP, name this game, released recently for both Sega and Nintendo systems. Ans: MORTAL KOMBAT

17) He's considered to be among this century's most important lepidopterists. Not surprisingly, few people care. He's also known as an itinerant college professor, and as a trilingual writer. In spite of spending barely one-quarter of his life here, he always considered himself to be an American. One of his most famous characters describes his (the character's) obsession as "light of my life, fire of my loins. My sin, my soul." For ten points, name this author.

Ans: VLADIMIR NABOKOV

18) He added to the legendary aura surrounding himself with his last action. Dying while a storm raged outside, he woke up, shook his fist at the sky, and expired. The mystique has suffered a bit with the revelation that one of his favorite foods was macaroni and cheese. FTP, name this composer, considered by various critics to be either the last great classicist or the first true romantic composer.

Ans: Ludwig van BEETHOVEN

19) Born in New York City on April 15, 1843, he was the son of a religious philosopher and the brother of a psychologist and philosopher. He wrote Roderick Hudson in 1872-74, and The American in 1875. He gained international fame in 1877 with Daisy Miller. For 25 points, name the author of other such works as Washington Square, The Aspern Papers, and The Turn of the Screw.

Ans: Henry JAMES (Jr.)

20) The phrase is found in some form in most cultures, although it is not consciously used that much in English any more. In Hebrew, it's "ben;" in Arabic, it's "ibn;" in Scottish, it's "Mac." What does this phrase mean when translated into English? Ans: SON OF

21) "Oh, be a fine girl. Kiss me!" No this is not a line from Cole Porter's Kiss Me Kate. This mnemonic, FTP, has helped several students in astronomy classes remember what about stars? Ans: Spectral TYPES (from hottest to coolest stars)

22) The closest approximation to this fabled drink involves severe head trauma. Alternatively, you could buy up the contents of your local liquor store and redistill them three times. To get the real thing, though, you'd have to be a character in a fabled oversize trilogy. FTP, what's this concoction, described by Douglas Adams?

Ans: a PAN GALACTIC GARGLE BLASTER

23) According to a correction it printed, an editor allowed the Hebrew expression "nahesh tzefa" to be mistranslated. The proper meaning was "poisonous snake;" in the article, it read, "poisonous snack." This kind of error is typical among newspapers; what is unusual is in the journal's insisting on correcting it. FTP, name this quality-conscious newspaper.

Ans: The NEW YORK TIMES

24) Elmer Fudd would love the Balinese holiday of Njebi (pronounced nn-YEH-pee). So would your average, garden-variey hermit. For reasons connected with the manner of celebration, no prayers are said on this occasion. FTP, why not?

Ans: It is celebrated in SILENCE

25) He was born in El Paso, Texas on August 19, 1921. His father was a cavalry officer stationed at Fort Bliss. Growing up in Los Angeles, he had his first exposure to science fiction in junior high school. His first major was in prelaw at Los Angeles City College, then switched to engineering at U.C.L.A. He became a cadet in the U.S. Army Air Corps and flew 89 combat and reconnaissance missions over Guadalcanal. Amidst all this he began writing stories for flying magazines. FTP, name the creator of one of the most popular TV series ever, which just celebrated its 25th anniversary last year and has had, so far, three generations of shows.

Ans: Gene RODDENBERRY

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Bonus questions

1) 30 points: a) They made such enjoyable movies as Duck Soup, and A Day at the Races. For 15 points, all or nothing, name these five brothers.

Ans: CHICO, HARPO, GUMMO, ZEPPO, AND GROUCHO MARX

b) For an additional 15 points, name their other brother, who made an uncredited appearance in one of their films.

Ans: FRENCHIE

2) 30 points: College Bowl has been around longer than you think. Answer these questions about College Bowl's past:

a) For 5 points each, from what year (within two years) to what year (within two years) did "G.E. College Bowl" run on network television?

Ans: 1959 (ACC: 1957-1961) UNTIL 1970 (ACC: 1968-1972)

b) For 5 points each, on which two networks did the show run?

Ans: CBS and NBC

c) For 5 points each, who were the original host and his successor?

Ans: Allen LUDDEN; Robert EARLE (successor)

3) 20 points: A McDonald's Big Mac doesn't cost the same amount of money in the United States as it does in Tokyo or Moscow or Paris. But this theory in economics says that assuming negligible transportation and trading costs, identical products, no matter where they are produced, should sell for the same price everywhere in the world. What is this theory, also known as PPP, called?

Ans: PURCHASING POWER PARITY

4) 30 points: Perhaps it was just coincidence, but Japan's current recession happened at the same time as the crown prince's marriage to a commoner. For 10 points each, name the Harvard-educated bride, her husband, and her imperial father-in-law.

Ans: MASAKO, NARAHITO, AKIHITO

5) 20 points: We all know that Hong Kong will be returned to China in 1997. But for 20 points, when will Macao, the current Portuguese colony, be returned to China?

Ans: 1999

6) 25 points: You've probably already heard that some poor slob was dumb enough to marry Tammy Faye Bakker recently. For 25 points, name this developer, who built much of Jim's Heritage USA theme park.

Ans: Roe MESSNER

7) 20 points: The success of this drug in restoring the personalities of those suffering from various mental illnesses has created a philosophical debate over the uniqueness of personalities, a theme explored in a recent book. For ten points each, name this book and its author, who shares a last name with a character on Seinfeld.

Ans: LISTENING TO PROZAC, by Peter KRAMER

8) 30 points: He was the first of the superagents, although his star has been eclipsed by that of rival Michael Ovitz. His agency, International Creative

Management, is still among the most important, although he has lost such clients as Meryl Streep, Mike Nichols, and Mia Farrow. Among the reasons cited for his decline is his habit of eating paper, but it's more likely that his reluctance to travel to Hollywood and return phone calls are more responsible. For thirty points, identify this agent, who pioneered the art of the package deal.

Ans: Sam COHN

9) 20 points: Most of you have heard plenty about the saga of ex-radical Katherine Ann Power. But, for twenty points, can you tell me the name she lived under during her years in hiding? Ans: Alice METZINGER

10) 30 points: It seems the U.S. Presidency has a curse on it occurring every 20 years. Since 1840, presidents elected in years ending in zero have died in office, either by assassination or natural causes.

a) For 5 points each, name the two presidents who died in office, but not at the hand of an assassin.

Ans: William Henry HARRISON, F D ROOSEVELT

(prompt if Roosevelt given)

b) For 10 points, name the Indian chief reported to have set this curse on the U.S. Presidency.

Ans: TECUMSEH

c) For 5 points, who is the president who barely broke Tecumseh's curse?

Ans: Ronald REAGAN

11) 30 points: The Titanic, of course, is probably the best known ill-constructed ship in history. Its two sister ships, though, also suffered from similar structural flaws. For fifteen points each, name them.

Ans: The OLYMPIC and the BRITTANIC

12) 30 points: Recently, the art world rejoiced at the recovery of several major works stolen from an Irish estate. For fifteen points each, identify the domicile from which they were taken, and the collector, now dead, who owned them.

Ans: RUSSBOROUGH House, Sir Alfred BEIT

13) 20 points: Everyone has heard of Shakespeare's Hamlet. Now let's see how much you remember about the play. Each answer is worth five points.

a) Who is Polonius's son?

Ans: LAERTES

b) Who is the person that informs Hamlet of Laertes' and the King's plot to kill Hamlet?

Ans: OSRIC

c) Who is the dead king's also deceased jester?

Ans: YORICK

d) Who says to Hamlet "Revenge his foul and most unnatural murder"?

Ans: GHOST [of the king] (Hamlet)

14) 25 points: You may pride yourself on geography, but how well do you know port cities? I'll name a few, and you must tell me what country possesses each. You'll earn five points for each, and a five point bonus for all correct.

- a) Aqaba
Ans: JORDAN
- b) Ras Tanura
Ans: SAUDI ARABIA
- c) Khark or Kharg (island)
Ans: IRAN
- d) Kobe
Ans: JAPAN

15) 20 points: Identify each of the following fictional or imaginary places.

- a) City of great riches supposedly located on the Amazon
Ans: EL DORADO
- b) Jonathan Swift's land where men are as tall as church steeples.
Ans: BROBDINGNAG
- c) Ruined city in southern India fabled for its great wealth of diamonds.
Ans: GOLCONDA
- d) Kublai Khan's summer residence described in Coleridge's poem.
Ans: XANADU

16) 25 points: With the recent re-release of Disney's Fantasia (FAHN-tuss-EE-uh), it became apparent to many how important the conductor of a band or orchestra, or any musical group, really is. So, given the conductor, name the American orchestra he leads, for five points apiece, and a five point bonus for all four.

- a) Seiji Ozawa
Ans: BOSTON SYMPHONY Orchestra
- b) Kurt Masur
Ans: NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC Orchestra
- c) Daniel Barenboim
Ans: CHICAGO SYMPHONY Orchestra
- d) Mstislav Rostropovich
Ans: NATIONAL SYMPHONY Orchestra

17) 30 points: Among the things distinguishing nations from one another are flags. Usually there is some meaning behind the symbols and patterns used on them. Although interesting, this question is focused on distinguishing characteristics of flags. Given the unique design, name the country's flag. You'll get ten points for any three, twenty points for any five, and thirty points for all seven.

- a) The entire country is pictured on its flag.
Ans: CYPRUS
- b) Its is the only flag that is not rectangular.
Ans: NEPAL
- c) Its flag is completely green.
Ans: LYBIA
- d) Its has the Star of David on it.
Ans: ISRAEL
- e) Its has the first letter of its name displayed in the middle of the flag.
Ans: RWANDA
- f) Its flag has thirteen horizontal stripes.
Ans: UNITED STATES
- g) Its flag has fourteen horizontal stripes.
Ans: Malaysia

18) 20 points: This "economist" has come under fire for supporting Ross Perot's anti-NAFTA stance, with his foes pointing out that his figures are wrong and that he has had no higher-level training as an economist. For twenty points, name him.

Ans: Pat CHOATE

19) 25 points: Name this woman after one clue for thirty points, after two clues for fifteen points, and after three clues for ten points.

a) She was the first, and only, runner-up to take advantage of the fact that the Miss America for that year was incapable of completing her duties.

b) She is only the second Miss America to come from New Jersey. c) She replaced Vanessa Williams as Miss America in 1984.

Ans: Suzette CHARLES

20) 30 points: Given the quote, supply the poet who wrote it, for 5 points each with an extra 5 points if you get them all right.

a) "April is the cruelest month, breeding Lilacs out of the dead land..."

Ans: T.S. ELIOT ("The Waste Land")

b) "The English are so nice / So awfully nice"

Ans: D.H. LAWRENCE ("The English are So Nice")

c) "And sorry I could not travel both"

Ans: Robert FROST ("The Road Not Taken")

d) "Here, coffin that slowly passes, / I give you my sprig of lilac."

Ans: Walt WHITMAN ("When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd")

e) "But we loved with a love that was more than love --"

Ans: Edgar Allan POE ("Annabel Lee")

21) 25 pts. This journalist battled against the hypocrisy of Hinduism in India. He later became so moved by the ancient texts that he became a Swami. He chose to continue to fight this hypocrisy by presenting those texts in English so that the world would better understand Hinduism, to negate the effect of the corrupt priests. He died in August and instead of being cremated, he was buried, as all great Sages before him were. For 25 points, name him.

Ans: Swami CHINMAYANANDA