## Toss-ups Submitted by the Ravenous Bugblatter Beasts of Traal

1. According to Homer, his voice was as loud as 50 men. For a quick 10 points, name this greek Herald of the Trojan War who has lent his name for a word for "loud voiced."

ANS. Stentor

2. The mangel-worzel (mángel - wórzel) is a variety of <u>Beta vulgaris</u> used in America as food stock for cattle. The course, fleshy roots of this reddish vegetable are also fed to poultry. For 10 points, what is the common term for this foodstuff also used as a source of sugar?

ANS. Beet

3. Octovue, sinusoidal, gnomonic, homolographic, polyconal, Lambert's conformal, polyconic, interrupted homolosine, conic, polar, and Mercator are all, for 10 points, types of what?

ANS. Map projections

4. Tuberculosis made it impossible for him to pursue an academic career, so he became an artist. He carved elongated heads in limestone, modelling them after the elongated African statue-heads he admired. His paintings include Gypsy Woman With a Baby, and he died in 1920. For ten points, name this Italian artist.

ANS. Amadeo Modigliani

- 5. His political organization--the National Union for Social Justice--ran North Dakota Congressman William Lemke for president in 1936. He became famous in the early 1930's with his "Golden Hour of the Little Flower" radio broadcasts, during which he became critical of FDR's New Deal. For 10 pts., name this radio priest. ANS. Father Charles Coughlin
- 6. Lord Chesterfield was offered patronage, and refused. After his lordship saw the finished product, however, he offered to be a patron; to which offer Dr. Johnson replied that his lordship was encumbering him with help. For ten points, what 1775 work inspired this feud?

ANS. Johnson's Dictionary of the English Language

7. He began by assuming that Euclid's fifth postulate was wrong, and a pseudo-sphere is the physical object that satisfies his geometry, which developed the idea that the sum of the angles of a triangle was less that 180 degrees. For 10 points, name this man who with Bolyai founded non- Euclidian geometry.

ANS. Nikolai Ivanovich Lobachevski

8. Some accounts say he died a natural death, others that he became a martyr. He was also known as Levi the Publican, and his feast day is September 21. The gospel he is reputed to have written is thought to have been written after 75 A.D. For 10 points, name this tax collector and disciple of Jesus.

ANS. St. Matthew

9. The word comes from a Middle English term translated as "spoiled meal." The "powdery" form affects green and flowering plants, and "downy" produces yellow spots on leaves or fruits. For 10 points, name this type of fungus scourged in the home by bathroom cleanser.

ANS. Mildew

10. Saltpeter was mined in its "vats" during the War of 1812. The Lions Cage and Crystal Lake are notable sights, and Frozen Niagara is a stone formation 75 feet high and 50 feet wide. For 10 points, name this cave first explored by Native Americans.

ANS. Mammoth (ChavleO ONCatylecarra b Roamhummy was found in 1935)

11. After his decline from drink and opium, he wrote a grandiose prose poem "Eureka," which combined half-baked science and dubious cosmogony. He served as literary editor of <u>Graham's Lady's and Gentleman's Magazine</u> and wrote such stories as "A MS. Found in a Bottle." For 10 pts., name Virginia Clemm's husband, the author of "Ulalume" and "Annabel Lee."

ANS. Edgar Allan Poe

12. He helped to organize public schools in Ohio and his best-selling works sold over 120 million copies. A professor of moral philosophy at the University of Virginia, he wrote his sixth <u>Eclectic Reader</u> in 1857. For 10 points, name this educator.

ANS. William Holmes McGuffy

13. Named for the English surgeon who first described it in 1817, its causes have been attributed to carbon monoxide poisoning, drugs, and influenza encephalitis. However, in most cases the cause is unknown. Symptoms of this disease are treated by the druge amantadine and L-Dopa. For 10 pts, what is this degenerative brain disorder.

ANS. Parkinson's disease or Parkinsonism

- 15. A favorite of Byron's and a notorious partier in his day, his less famous works include <u>The Duenna</u>, <u>The Critic</u>, and <u>A Trip to Scarborough</u>. He is best remembered today for <u>The Rivals</u> and <u>The School for Scandal</u>. For ten points, who was this Anglo-Irish playwright?

ANS. Richard Brinsley Sheridan

16. A lustful and cruel man, he seduced the wives and daughters of his vassals and almost certainly ordered the murder of his nephew Arthur. His weak leadership was further damaged by his loss of Normandy to Philip Augustus and his clash with Archbishop of Canterbury Stephen Langton. For 10 pts., name this English monarch who reigned from 1199-1216.

ANS. John

17. His first novel, <u>Where is Joe Merchant</u>, became a best-seller, as did his collection of short stories, <u>Tales from Margaritaville</u>. For 10 points, name this all-time party band great.

ANS. Jimmy <u>Buffett</u>

18. Arkansas, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Missouri are zig-zagged by a geological structure responsible for the occasional really massive earthquake. For ten points, by what name do we know this fault system?

ANS. New Madrid (pron. Ma' drid) fault line

19. His nephew Reed Massengill recently published a biography of this accused murderer entitled <u>Portrait of a Racist</u>. In 1963, NAACP field secretary Medgar Evers was killed and this Tennessean has been tried twice for the murder. For 10 pts., identify this man.

ANS. Byron de La Beckwith

20. Whenever the intensity of a magnetic field is being changed an electromotive force is induced in any neighboring electric circuit. The current thereby induced in a closed circuit is always in such a direction as to oppose by its electromagnetic action the magnetic change responsible for the induction. This is, for 10 pts., whose law of induced current?

ANS. Lenz's Law

- 21. In his book he set out three goals: to wage a war to unite Arabs against the West, to use oil to split the world powers, and to replace Israel with a Palestinian state. The book is <u>Unser Kampf</u>, or "Our Struggle," and was published in Germany in 1977. For ten points, who is the author of this valuable collector's item?
  - ANS. Sadaam Hussein (prompt "more specific" on "Hussein"
- 22. Irrigation in arid climes can create an agricultural bonanza, but if continued too long it can create an agricultural wasteland. By concentrating a common chemical in the upper layer of the soil, it produces a dazzling white landscape that can be absolutely sterile, although crop yields have declined long earlier. For 10 points, what is the chemical?

ANS. Salt (accept salinization, sodium chloride)

23. In 1985 he was rescued from the Sacramento River. In the autumn of 1990 he had to be freed from the mud of San Francisco Bay. If he holds to form, in 1995 someone will again need to rescue this humpback whale. For ten points, by what name is he known?

ANS. Humphrey the Humpback Whale

## Bonuses Submitted by the Ravenous Bugblatter Beasts of Traal

1. (30-20-10), name the author.

30 - His first book of verse, published in 1921, translates as "Book of Poems." 20 - His next published work, a book of ballads, evoked the Andalusian countryside.

10 - As a playwright, his most famous dramatic tragedies are the trilogy Blood

Wedding, Yerma, and The House of Bernarda Alba.

ANS. Federico Garcia Lorca

2. (25 PTS.) Bill Clinton's inauguration marked the only time in history that a left-handed man has succeeded another south paw as President. First, for 10 points, who was the only right-handed man on the '92 Presidential ballot in all 50 states.

ANS. Andre Marroú

For 5 points each, besides Bush and Clinton, name the other 3 lefty Presidents.

ANS. Garfield, Truman, Ford

- 3. (25 PTS.) During the Kamakura of Japanese history, samurai were always retainers. A samurai whose lord was divested of rank or died without heir became a "masterless samurai." For 25 points, what is this five-letter Japanese term for this type of samurai featured in Kurosawa's <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/jhps://
- 4. (30 PTS.) We're going to play fungus, bacteria, protozoa, or virus? For 5 points each, I will give you the name of a disease and you tell me whether it was caused by a fungus, bacteria, protozoa, or virus.

a. Lyme Disease
b. Blastomycosis
c. Toxoplasmosis
d. Mumps
e. Scarlet Fever
f. Histoplasmosis
ANS. Bacteria
ANS. Protozoa
ANS. Virus
ANS. Bacteria
ANS. Fungus

5. (30 PTS.) For 15 points each, identify these judges who died in 1992.

a) He was the principal judge pursuing the truth in the Watergate cover-up. He sentenced most of the convicted.

ANS. John J. Sirica

b) An appeals court judge nominated to the Supreme Court by Richard Nixon, one Senator acknowledged the judge was "mediocre," but said that mediocre people deserve a representative on the court. The Senate rejected him anyway.

ANS. G. Harold Carswell

6. (30 PTS.) For 10 points each, given the New York City building name its principal architect:

a. The Seagram Building
b. Guggenheim Museum

ANS. Ludwig Mies van der Rohe
ANS. Frank Lloyd Wright

b. Guggenheim Museum
c. The Pan Am Building
ANS. Frank Lloyd Wrig

7. (30 PTS.) For 5 points each, and a 5 point bonus for all five, name the Mexican States that border the Gulf of Mexico.

ANS. Tauraulipas, Veracruz, Tabasco, Yucatan, Quintana Roo & Campeche

8. (30 PTS.) I will give you the nickname of a team from the old Negro Leagues, and you tell me what location is most associated with that name.

a. X Giants ANS. Cuba(n)

b. Monarchs
c. Elite Giants
d. Barons
e. Grays
f. Stars

ANS. Kansas City
ANS. Baltimore
ANS. Birmingham
ANS. Homestead
ANS. St. Louis

9. (30 PTS.) Herodotus is considered the "Father of History," but was not the only classical writer to pen early histories. For 10 pts. each, identify the ancient Greek or Roman historian who wrote.

a. The Annals and Germania

ANS. Cornelius <u>Tacitus</u>

b. The Anabasis

ANS. Xenophon

c. Books from the Founding of Rome

ANS. Livy

10. (25 PTS) Neurons in the brain use certain chemicals, known as neuro-transmitters, to pass an electrical signal across a synapse. I will give you the common abbreviation for a transmitter, you tell me the common name, 5 pts each.

a. 5-HT

ANS. <u>Serotonin</u> (5-hydroxytryptamine)

b. Ach
c. D
ANS. Acetylcholine
ANS. Dopamine
ANS. Norepinephrine

e. GABA ANS. <u>Gamma-amino-butyric acid</u>

11. (30 PTS.) In much of the Islamic world the traditional sayings of the Prophet, authenticated by scrupulous examination of the chain of transmission from him to the present, has an importance second only to the Koran itself. For 15 points, by what name are these reports known?

ANS. Hadith

For 15 more, by what collective name are the primary half-dozen collections of Hadith known?

ANS. the <u>Six Sound Books</u> or the <u>Six Sunan Books</u>

12. (30 PTS.) 30-20-10, name the American State.

30 - The colonists of this future state scored the first naval victory of the American Revolution by capturing the Morganetta in 1775.

20 - The northern boundary was set by the Webster-Ashburton Treaty.

10 - Its highest point, Mount Katahdin, is a terminus of the Appalachian Trail. ANS. Maine

13. (30 PTS.) 30-20-10, name the author.

30: His great-grandfather wrote a travel book, <u>Rapid Ramblings in Europe</u>, and <u>The Little Brick Church</u>, a reply to <u>Uncle Tom's Cabin</u>.

20: His books of verse include Green Bough and The Marble Faun.

10: He won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1949.

ANS. William Faulkner

14. (30 PTS.) The equation square root (one minus v squared over c squared) was developed by Einstein in his special theory of relativity to describe the contraction of a moving body in its direction of motion. The concept, if not the equation, was expressed independently by two physicists in 1892, and it is their names which are attached to both the equation and effect. For 15 points each, name them.

ANS. G. F. Fitzgerald and H. A. Lorentz

15. (25 PTS.) In Philadelphia in April, 1991 a copy of the Declaration of Independence possibly worth over one million dollars was found in an old picture frame. What makes this copy valuable is that it is one of 24 known copies printed in 1776 by a printer who, in first copying this document, used a process that destroyed the original. The copies heproduced are called "broadsides." For 25 points, who was this printer who was entrusted with the first publication of Thomas Jefferson's edited masterwork?

ANS. John Dunlap

16. (25 PTS.) The French "New Wave" cinematic movement was dominated by many filmmakers who championed the "auteur theory." For 5 pts. each, identify the New Wave "auteur", that is, director, of these films.

a. My Night at Maud's
b. Hiroshima Mon Amour
c. The 400 Blows
d. Alphaville
e. The Good Women

ANS. Eric Rohmer
ANS. Alain Resnais
ANS. Francois Truffaut
ANS. Jean Luc Godard
ANS. Claude Chabrol

17. (30 PTS.) 30-20-10, name the author.

30: His research in optics was published in 1810 as "On the Theory of Colors."

20: He wrote "On German Architecture" in 1773 and "The Metamorphosis of Plants" in 1790.

10: A poet and playwright of the "Sturm und Drang" school, he published Part II of Faust in 1832.

ANS. Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

- 18. (25 PTS.) The world of Jurassic Park, as well as many real-life uses of genetic technologies, depend upon a process for replicating large amounts of DNA from a very few initial samples known as PCR. For 5 points each word, 25 pts. for all righ, for what do the initials of this genetic Xeroxing process stand?

  ANS. Polymerase Chain Reaction
- 19. (25 PTS.) Two are Russian, two are American. For 5 points each and a five point bonus for all four, give me the names of the first four men in space:

  ANS. Yuri Gagarin; Alan Shepard; Virgil (Gus) Grissom; Gherman Titov

20. (30 PTS.) 30-20-10, name the playwright.

30: In 1661, this author completed The School for Husbands.

20: After he died from a hemorrhage suffered on the stage, the clergy denied him a religious burial.

10: Amphitryon premiered in 1668, Le Tartuffe was finally presented in full in 1669.

ANS. Moliere (Acc: Jean Baptiste Poquelin