Western Michigan University "Jose" Team

Toss-Ups

- 1. After launching an unsuccessful campaign for mayor of New York City, he spent a decade writing a "masterpiece" nobody could understand entitled Ancient Evenings. For ten points, name this author of Advertisements for Myself who won the 1979 Pulitzer Prize for his book The Executioner's Song. Ans: Norman Mailer
- 2. She was thirty when she met her future husband, who was only nineteen at the time. But he was to be a future king of England, and she owned half of France, so they were married in 1152. For ten points, name this wife of Henry II.

Ans: Eleanor of Aquitane

3. Systems developed to classify it include the Duffy, Kidd, Lewis, Lutheran, MNS, and P. However, the most common by far is known as ABO classification. For ten points, name this bodily fluid, for which type O is the most common worldwide.

Ans: Blood

4. Some scholars believe that he never really existed, and that his name was a Greek verb meaning "to set to verse". Others doubt he was really a wandering minstrel, that he was really blind, or even that he actually wrote The Odyssey. For ten points, name him.

Ans: Homer

5. It hasn't had much of a government since Prince Norodom Sihanouk was deposed in 1970. He was replaced by Lon Nol, who was in turn replaced by Pol Pot, the leader of the Khmer Rouge. For ten points, name this Asian nation.

Ans: Cambodia

6. He was born David Robert Jones on January 8, 1947. In 1966 he changed his last name to the name of a type of knife. For ten points, name this rock superstar whose biggest hits include Fame and Let's Dance.

Ans: David Bowie

7. The modern study of it is said to have begun in 1963 with the work of Edward Lorenz. It is now popping up everywhere, including in the study of fluids, electrical currents, seizures, and, of course, the weather. For ten points, name this branch of mathematics brought to the public's attention through Jurassic Park.

Ans: Chaos Theory

- 8. The original idea can be traced to a remark by Charles W. Eliot, who said "All the books needed for a real education could be set on a shelf five feet long." For ten points, Eliot's remark gave rise to what fifty-volume set of world classics, name for the university Eliot was president emeritus of?

 Ans: Harvard Classics
- 9. Major Henry, who had forged much of the evidence against him, eventually committed suicide, and Ferdinand Esterhazy, who was actually guilty, escaped to England. He was tried, convicted, and sentenced to life imprisonment on Devil's Island. For ten points, who was this French officer later defended by the likes of Emile Zola?

Ans: Alfred Dreyfus

10. Creatures that live under or near sea volcanoes, such as tube worms, have adapted to their environment by learning to breath this substance. For ten points, name this substance given off by factories, which is the leading cause of acid rain.

Ans: Sulfur Dioxide

11. This rock legend was the inventor of the novelty song. His most famous characters were based on his children. For ten points, give the name of this inventor of the chipmunks, who shares his name with a city in Spain known for its barbers.

Ans: David Seville accept Ross Baydasarian

12. The Pindaric variety were first composed in ancient Greece, and were written in units of three stanzas each. The Horatian variety is written in a succession of similar stanzas. For ten points, what name is given to these lyric poems of exalted emotion, favorites of Keats and Shelley?

Ans: Ode

13. This goddess married a mortal named Tithonus. When he grew old, she changed him into, of all things, a kind of grasshopper. For ten points, name this Roman goddess, most often associated with the dawn.

Ans: Aurora

14. He entered college in Beirut at fourteen, and later studied art with Rodin in Paris, but found his calling as a writer. His best-known work carries the message of redemption through love. For ten points, name this Syrian-American author of the 1923 book The Prophet.

Ans: Kahlil Gibran

15. Most art majors could tell you that chiaroscuro deals with the balancing of light and shade in a painting. However, many of those same art majors would have trouble spelling this term. For ten points, spell "chiaroscuro".

Ans: C-H-I-A-R-O-S-C-U-R-O

16. The island of Thera was, at one time, a real island with a real volcano. Then, in 1628 B.C., the island exploded, devastating the nearby Minoans on the island of Crete. After this explosion, the island was no more. It was this explosion and subsequent disappearance of the island that, for ten points, most likely gave rise to what mythical continent?

Ans: Atlantis

17. Living from 1514 to 1564, Andreas Vesalius is probably not a very well-known person. However, he published a book in 1543 named De Humani Corpis Fabrica. For ten points, this landmark text helped to found what modern science?

Ans: Anatomy

18. He is the author of such works as the Enderby series and "Earthly Powers." However, he is more famous as the author of a book whose twenty-fourth chapter wasn't published in the original edition. For ten points, name this author of A Clockwork Orange.

Ans: Anthony Burgess

19. For a quick ten points, name the Canadian bay which is known for having greater tides than anywhere on earth.

Ans: Bay of Fundy

20. This author wrote of his trip across the country. He talks of his journey to find himself after his insanity. For ten points, name this author, best remembered for his book Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance.

Ans: Robert M. Pirsig

21. One of its results was King William being proclaimed emperor of Germany in the Hall of Mirrors at Versailles on January 18, 1871. Ended by the treaty of Frankfurt, it was a war between Napoleon III and Otto von Bismark. For ten points, name this war.

Ans: Franco-Prussian War

22. He was the only senator from any of the eleven seceded states to remain loyal to the Union when the Civil War broke out. Later in his career, he violated the Tenure of Office Act and dismissed Secretary of War Edwin Stanton. For ten points, name this U.S. President, impeached for his actions.

Ans: Andrew Johnson

23. The most awesome one was said to be that of Trophonius in Boeotia. Others include one in Gades in Spain and one in Dodona. The most famous, however, was probably located at Delphi. For ten points, give the word for these places where futures could be told.

Ans: Oracle

24. His theories center on his discovery that children perceive the world differently than adults, and that their development proceeds in genetically determined stages which always follow the same sequence. For ten points, name this Swiss psychologist and educator.

Ans: Jean Piaget

25. The one in Egypt was said to have extended over twenty-three miles of land. The one in Boeotia, said to be founded by Cadmus, was the birthplace of Dionysus and the scene of the downfall of Oedipus. For ten points, name this seven-gated city.

Ans: Thebes

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Bonus Questions

1. (20) For five points each, and a five-point bonus for all, name the poet given the first line of one of their poems.

A. "Thou still unravish'd bride of quietness."

Ans: John Keats

B. "She walks in beauty, like the night."

Ans: George Gordon, Lord Byron

C. "Hail to thee, blithe spirit!"

Ans: Percy Bysshe Shelley

2. (30) In 1964, the Beatles had six number one songs in one year. This set the record for the most number one songs in one year for the same act. For five points each, name all six songs.

Ans: I Want to Hold Your Hand

She Loves You

Can't Buy Me Love

Love Me Do

A Hard Days Night

I Feel Fine

3. (30) The Nobel Prizes were recently awarded, and there is much controversy over the Peace Prize, which was awarded to three different people. For ten points each, name these three recipients of this year's Peace Prize.

Ans:

Yasser Arafat

Yitshak Rabin

Shimon Peres

- 4. (30) Identify the following saints, all of whom share a common first name, for ten points each.
- A. The fourteenth-century German most famous for his The Imitation of Christ.

Ans: Thomas a Kempis

B. Although he was known to some as the "Angelic Doctor", to others he was the "Dumb Ox".

Ans: Thomas Aquinas

C. He was beheaded for refusing to sign the Act of Supremacy.

Ans: Thomas More

5. (30) Worms are generally given names based on the phylum that they are found in. For ten points each, given the name of a worm, identify its phylum.

A. Roundworm

Ans: Nematoda

B. Flatworm

Ans: Platyhelminthes

C. Earthworm

Ans: Annelida

- 6. (20) Are you up on your German? Even if you aren't, you may have heard the following German words used in English, and will receive ten points for each you can correctly identify.
- A. Literally, an "education novel", it tells the story of how somebody came of age, such as Hans Castorp in The Magic Mountain.

Ans: Bildungsroman

B. Literally, "time ghost", it is the spirit of the age, the taste of a generation.

Ans: Zeitgeist

7. (25) Artistic movements have been around since the Renaissance. I'll name an artist, and you tell me the art movement he represented for five points each.

A. El Greco

Ans: Mannerism

B. Salvador Dali

Ans: Surrealism

C. De Kooning

Ans: Abstract Expressionism

D. Bridget Riley

Ans: Op Art

E. Roy Lichtenstein

Ans: Pop Art

- 8. (30) Death has a way of making people remember important people, especially if it is a really unusual death. Given a description of some famous deaths, identify the people for the stated number of points.
- A. For five points, this "Scourge of God" died, of all things, of a nosebleed.

Ans: Atilla the Hun

B. For ten points, this Phrygian slave and probable mentor of Jean de La Fontaine was thrown off a cliff in 560 B.C.

Ans: Aesop

C. For fifteen points, this composer of "The Queen of Spades" died of cholera.

Ans: Pyotor Tchaikovsky

9. 30-20-10, identify the man.

For 30: Archibald MacLeish retold his story in modern times in his play J.B.

For 20: His friends included Bildad, Elihu, Eliphaz, and Zophar, all of which urged him to repent.

For 10: He is known as both the most patient and the most put-upon Biblical figure.

Ans: Job

- 10. (30) Humans are covered with hair, so it would seem we should know a lot about it. Do you? Identify the following layers of a hair for ten points each.
 - A. The outermost layer, which consists of flattened cells.

Ans: Cuticle

B. The middle layer, consisting of tightly-packed cells and the pigment which determines hair color.

Ans: Cortex

C. The core of the shaft, made up of loosely packed, box-like cells.

Ans: Medulla

- 11. (30) Identify the following Italian musical terms for ten points each.
- A. From the Italian for "harp", it is a broken chord in which the notes are played in succession.

Ans: Arpeggio

B. Literally, a "joke", it is a sped-up form of the minuet, beloved by Haydn and Beethoven.

Ans: Scherzo

C. Meaning "pinched", it directs that stringed instruments are to be plucked, not bowed.

Ans: Pizzicato

12. (30) Elections are coming up this November, and the race for governor looks to be quite close in many states. For ten points each, given a Republican candidate, name their Democratic incumbent opponent in that state's gubernatorial election.

A. George W. Bush, Jr.

Ans: Ann Richards

B. Guy Milener

Ans: Zell Miller

C. George Pataki

Ans: Mario Cuomo

13. (30) Robert Redford's film Quiz Show chronicles the rigging of the game show 21, which took place in the 1950's. For ten points each, identify the actors who played:

A. Game show host Jack Barry

Ans: Christopher McDonald

B. Contestant Herb Stempel

Ans: John Turturro

C. Contestant Charles Van Doren

Ans: Ralph Fiennes

14. (30) Elements are the basic building blocks of everything around us, and ten of them have been know since ancient times. Of course, gold, copper, and silver were, but, for five points apiece, name any six of the remaining seven elements that have been known since ancient times.

Ans: Carbon, Lead, Mercury, Iron, Sulfur, Tin, Zinc

- 15. (20) It would be trivial and pointless to ask you the names of the continents today, because every fifth grader can answer that. But what about the names of the continents 2.5 billion years ago? For five points apiece, identify:
- A. The continent which shares its name with a current nation of over one billion people.

Ans: China

B. The continent which shares its name with an area of Russia.

Ans: Siberia

C. One of the two sections that broke off from Pangaea.

Ans: Gondwanaland

- D. The two continents which share their name with current continents. Ans: Europe, North America
- 16. (20) Let's return to the 80's and I am going to smurf some occupations and you tell me which smurf smurffed them for five points each.

A. Builder and carpenter

Ans: Handy

B. Liked to give exploding presents to everyone

Ans: Jokey

C. Resident know-it-all

Ans: Brainy

D. Always was looking at himself

Ans: Vanity

- 17. (20) Given the first line of an inaugural address, identify the president who spoke it for ten points each.
- A. "I've just repeated, word for word, the oath taken by George Washington 200 years ago, and the Bible on which I placed my hand is the Bible on which he placed his."

Ans: George Bush

B. "My fellow citizens, we celebrate the mystery of American renewal."
Ans: Bill Clinton

18. (30) For ten points each, give the saint who is patron saint of the following things.

A. Sailors or travelers.

Ans: St. Christopher

B. Skiers

Ans: St. Bernard

C. Soldiers

Ans: St. George

19. (30) One twisted the threads of fate, one cut them, and one put the wool on the spindle, and collectively they were known as the fates. For ten points each, name the three fates.

Ans: Clotho, Atropos, and Lachesis

20. 30-20-10, name the author from the works given.

For 30: Beneath the Wheel

For 20: Demian

For 10: Steppenwolf

Ans: Hermann Hesse

21. (20) The office of Vice-President has been described in many ways, the majority of which aren't the nicest things that could be said. For five points each, given a more obscure vice president, name the corresponding president.

A. William A. Wheeler

Ans: Rutherford Hayes

B. Garrett A. Hobart

Ans: William McKinley

C. James S. Sherman

Ans: William Taft

D. Thomas R. Marshall

Ans: Woodrow Wilson

22. (25) Given a year, tell in which city the Winter Olympics were held that year. Five points each.

A. 1964

Ans: Innsbruck, Austria

B. 1980

Ans: Lake Placid

C. 1924

Ans: Chamonix, France

D. 1952

Ans: Oslo, Norway

E. 1968

Ans: Grenoble, France

- 23. (30) There are some rather odd constellations out there, and, of course, none of them look like what they are supposed to. Given a hypothetical constellation, tell whether or not it actually exists.
 - A. The Air Pump

A. Yes (Antila)

B. The Table

B. Yes (Mensa)

C. The Llama

C. No

D. The Clock

D. Yes (Horologium)

E. The Apple Tree

E. No

F. The Arrow

F. Yes (Sagitta)