

## Toss-Up Question from St. Olaf College

1) According to Milton, he was "the least erected spirit that fell from heaven." In Matthew 6:24 it and God cannot both be served. FTP - What is this word that originates from the Aramaic for riches?

Mammon

2) Citeaux, Pontigny, Morimond, and Clairvaux were all famous french monasteries of what order - FTP - which split off from the Benedictines in the Twelfth Century?

The Cistercians

3) "Hi-Diddle-Dee-Dee," "Yo-Ho (A Pirate's Life For Me)," "Give a Little Whistle," and the ever popular "When You Wish Upon A Star," are all songs from what Disney feature film - FTP - about a puppet that wants to become a boy?

Pinocchio

(Note: all words in the next question are pronounced phonetically)

4) ~~Kaniktshaq, quanik, anijo, hiko, tsikut, hikuliaq, and akuvijarjuak are all Eskimo words for what substance?~~

Snow

4, 5) This insect lays 600-1000 eggs in the course of its roughly two month lifespan and was the inspiration and title role in a 1950s horror movie. FTP - name this common insect whose scientific name is *Musca domestica*.

The Fly (accept: The Common Housefly)

5, 6) This 1976 Nobel Prize for Literature winner was born in 1915 of Russian-Jewish parents, was raised in Chicago and wrote The Victim, Henderson, the Rain King, and a play called The Last Analysis. FTP - Name him.

Saul Bellow

7) FTP - and within three years, what is the year in which "Harper's Monthly Magazine" was founded?

1850 (accept: 1847-1853)

6, 8) Although he is best known to fans of Star Trek as Sarek, Spock's now dead father, this actor has the distinction of being the only performer ever to portray a Romulan, a Klingon, and a Vulcan. FTP - Name him.

Mark Lenard

7, 9) Sir John Mandeville wrote, "In many places of Inde is a manner of long serpent. These serpents slay men and eat them weeping." FTP - What is this reptile which gave its name to an insincere show of feeling.

Crocodile (Crocodile Tears)

8, 10) The Earth's mantle is divided into two layers which are separated at a depth of 700 kilometers. For what phenomenon - and ten points - are the rather slow convection currents in the upper layer responsible?

Continental Drift or Plate Tectonics

9, 11) We've all heard of Salman Rushdie's Satanic Verses, but who can name the short work - FTP - by C. S. Lewis purporting to be letters from one devil to another?

The Screwtape Letters

10, 12) In Serbia, you should cut off its toes and drive a nail through its neck. In Saxony, you should put a lemon in its mouth. In Bulgaria, you should chain it to a grave with wild roses, and in Prussia, you should put poppy seeds in its grave. FTP - What is this creature?

A Vampire *International*

10, 13) This major American industrialist published the anti-semitic book, The Intentional Jew, and owned the Dearborn Independent, which was known for its editorials siding with Germany both preceding and after the outbreak of World War II - FTP. Some have

speculated that some of the money he earned from manufacturing cars was given to the Nazi party.

Henry Ford

12. 14) Queen Elizabeth II ruefully referred to 1992 as an "Annus Horribilus" which means "horrible year." What English poet - FTP - wrote a poem about just the opposite, entitled "Annus Mirabilis," or "Wonderful Year," in 1667?

John Dryden

2 13. 15) Persecution of Christians, horse races, hunts and mock battles were conducted in the circus of Caligula and Nero, a giant obelisk shaped stadium in Rome. FTP - What famous building's court has at its center the obelisk from this circus, part of which lies below the building in question?

St. Peter's Cathedral

3 14. 16) In the game of tennis, a serve hits the top of the net, but still lands in the service box. FTP - What two rhyming words would then be yelled simultaneously by the net judge and the umpire?

Net and Let

4 15. 17) For a quick ten points, and the respect of any New Yorker who gives a damn, please give the official name of the Big Apple's Staten Island borough.

Richmond

5 16. 18) A number of structural isomers exist for hydrocarbons. How many of these isomers exist for C-ten-H-twenty-two or decane?

75

6 17. 19) "Tyger! Tyger! burning bright  
In the forests of the night"

FTP - These are the first two lines of "The Tyger," by what Romantic Poet?

William Blake

18,

64 20) Thales, who held that the primal substance was water, Anaximander, who thought that the earth was shaped like a cylinder, and Anaximenes, who thought that the world was a disc, are often thought of as the first philosophers. FTP - What city in Asia Minor, or Ionia, did all three hail from?

Miletus

19,

78 21) In 1931, this composer said, "I am a Soviet composer, and I see our epoch as something heroic, spirited and joyous. Music cannot help having a political basis - an idea that the bourgeoisie are slow to comprehend." Who was this composer - FTP - who died in 1975 and whose magnificent 5th symphony was performed in connection with the 20th anniversary of the Soviet State?

Dmitri Shostakovich

20,

89 22) We all know that Elvis is the king of Rock 'n' Roll, but - FTP - what performing artist has surpassed him by having at least one song in the top 40 for 24 consecutive years?

Elton John

23) A mathematical problem hundreds of years old was solved this past summer. FTP - Name the Princeton University professor who solved "Fermat's Last Theorem."

Andrew Wiles

21,

10 24) FTP - Name the author whose most famous work, "The Awakening," aroused a national scandal in 1899 for its supposed "indecentcy."

Kate Chopin

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10 25) The Department of Veterans Affairs was created when President Reagan signed a bill that made the Veterans Administration into a cabinet post. Since then there have been two Secretaries of Veterans Affairs. FTP - Who is the current Secretary, appointed by President Clinton?

Jesse Brown

## Bonus Questions from St. Olaf College

1) 20 pts. It is well known that all cells contain deoxyribonucleic acid as well as small membrane bound portions known as organelles. However, two of these organelles contain their own DNA and hence they are able to replicate independent of the nucleus of the cell. For ten points each, which two organelles are these?

### Mitochondria and Chloroplasts

2) 30 pts. I'll give you the poems, you give me the poet for ten points each.

\*"Ode on a Grecian Urn" John Keats

\*"Ode to the West Wind" and  
"Hymn of Pan" Percy Shelley

\*"The Poet's Welcome to his Daughter"  
and "A Red, Red Rose" Robert Burns

3) 25 pts. Name this TV show after 1 day for 25 points. Lose 5 points for each additional day.

- \*Monday was "Fun with Music Day"
- \*Tuesday was "Guest Star Day"
- \*Wednesday was "Anything Can Happen Day"
- \*Thursday was "Circus Day"
- \*Friday was "Talent Round-Up Day"

### The Mickey Mouse Club

4) 30 pts. I. F. Stone suggests in his book The Trial of Socrates that democratic Athens had good reason to consider the philosopher dangerous. The government of Athens was in danger from many sides, so Socrates was feared because he instilled admiration for Athen's enemy Sparta and contempt for democracy in the young aristocrats who listened to him.

First, for fifteen points, name Socrates' most hated pupil, the young aristocrat and leader of the 30 oligarchs that overthrew the democracy and ruled repressively for a short time, five years before the trial of Socrates.

### Critius

Go on

Second, Plato's father was the court physician in this country which was also feared by Athens. Name it,

Macedonia

5) 25 pts. Here's a 25 point question about alcohol. I will give you 5 countries, which you must rank in order of highest per capita consumption of alcohol to lowest. The countries are Germany, the United States, France, Great Britain, and Belgium.

France, Germany, Belgium, United States, Great Britain

5. 30 pts. Identify the author by the first work for 30 points, by the second for twenty, and by the third for ten.

\*A Grief Observed

\*The Great Divorce

\*The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe

C. S. Lewis

6. 30 pts. In the world of golf, the Ryder Cup has become a highly contested competition between the best golfers of Europe and of the U. S. In the U. S., the team is composed of ten players chosen by a point system and two golfers chosen by the team captain. For ten points a piece, name the 1993 captain and his two selections.

Tom Watson, Lanny Watkins, and <sup>Raymond</sup> Roy Floyd

7. 20 pts. Name this president for 20 points after one clue, for 10, after two and for 5 points after 3 clues.

\*He settled a dispute between American businessmen and the Peruvian government over the exploitation of Peru's guano resources.

\*He was born in a log cabin and was chosen as the Whig Party's vice-presidential candidate in 1848.

\*After the death of President Zachary Taylor, he became the nation's 13th president.

Millard Fillmore

8. 20 pts. Quantum theory describes large collections of particles accurately, but leads to paradoxes when applied to individual systems. In one thought experiment often used as an example of such a paradox, an animal is placed in a sealed room with a device

that will break a container of poison gas if even a single nuclear decay occurs. Roughly speaking, if quantum theory is true, the animal would have to be considered both dead and alive until the box is opened. For 10 points each, name the physicist and pioneer of wave mechanics for which this thought experiment is named and the animal involved.

Erwin Schroedinger, Cat

9, ~~10~~ 25 pts. In Marvel Comics, professor Charles Xavier founded a group of mutant superheroes known as the X-Men. For 5 points each, give the real identity (not alias) of each of the five original X-Men.

Henry McCoy (Beast), Jean Grey (Marvel Girl), Bobby Drake (Iceman), Scott Summers (Cyclops), and Warren Worthington III (Angel)

10, ~~11~~ 20 pts. Whereas the Hebrews were rather original with the idea of one god, Yahweh, the picture of Yahweh and attributes associated with him were hardly original. For 10 points each, name the two Canaanite gods upon which Yahweh was based.

Bael and El

11, ~~12~~ 25 pts. For ten points, name the Swedish ship that capsized hours after setting sail in 1628. This was largely due to the fact that the ship had 64 bronze cannons and far too little ballast to balance ~~the~~ load.

Wasa

Now, for 15 more points, name the king who ordered that this ship be modified to include extra guns, despite advice that this would cause the ship to capsize.

King Gustaf II

12, ~~13~~ 25 pts. Name the two southern cities which played host to the 1988 Democratic and Republican National Conventions, respectively - for 5 points each.

Atlanta and New Orleans

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Which city, for 15 points, has played host to the most National Party Conventions with 24?

Chicago

- 13- 14) 20 pts. Despite the Bible's tradition as a holy text, it contains a number of violent scenes. Ironically enough, murder is much more common than would be expected. For 10 points each, name the first murderer and murderee and their respective professions.

Cain - farmer and Abel - goatherder

- 14- 15) 30 pts. For 5 points each and a maximum of 30 points, name six members of the regular crew of the Starship Enterprise (and the actor/actress who portrayed that character.) *original*

Captain James T. Kirk

William Shatner ✓

Mr. Spock

Leonard Nimoy ✓

Dr. Leonard McCoy

DeForest Kelley

Lt. Nyota Uhura

Nichelle Nichols ✓

Lt. Sulu

George Takei

Lt. Pavel Chekov

Walter Keonig

Chief Engineer Montgomery Scott James Doohan ✓

- 15- 16) 20 pts. Snoopy has been trying to shoot down the Red Baron for years, but - for ten points - who is attributed with having shot down Freiherr von Richthofen on April 21, 1918?

Capt. A. Roy Brown

The mystery surrounding the Red Baron is incredible. However, a specific number of unofficial kills have been attributed to him. For another 10 points, how many kills did the Red Baron manage before being shot down?

80

- 17) 25 pts. Arrange the following elements in order of increasing electronegativity. Each correct placement will win you 5 more points:

Gallium, Molybdenum, Tantalum, Iridium, Osmium



Tantalum, Gallium, Molybdenum, Osmium, Iridium

16, 18) 30 pts. Sir Gareth of Orkney was known as the knight of the many colors. In fact, there were a number of colorful knights, including the famous Green Knight. For 10 points each, give the color associated with each of these Arthurian knights:

Percard Black (lawns)  
Perimones Red  
Persante of Inde Blue

19) 30 pts. How are these cliches normally phrased, for 10 points each.

\*Make a buffoonish inquiry, receive a buffoonish reply.

Ask a silly question and get a silly answer.

\*Did the kitty catch thy organ of taste?

Cat got your tongue?

\*Adulation makes no in-roads.

Flattery will get you nowhere.

17, 20) 30 pts. Give the birthname of this irresponsible individual after one clue for thirty points, after two clues for twenty points and after three for ten points:

\*He was responsible for the creation of the Yasa code of laws.

\*He was responsible for the fall of the Song dynasty in China.

\*He was responsible for conquering the largest land area in history.

Temujin (do not accept Genghis Khan)

18, 21) 25 pts. Give an 11 letter word meaning the formal emancipation of a slave by his owner. ~~Spill it for a sense of pride.~~

Manumission

19, 22) 20 pts. For 10 points, name the former Sports Illustrated writer who became a member of the Detroit Lions for one season and wrote a book about his experiences.

George Plimpton

For 10 more points, what is the title of his pulpy book?

PAPER LION



~~Remember to~~

- 20, 23) 25 pts. For an easy 20 points, give the names of the four Beatles, ~~the famous band from Liverpool~~ and for an extra five points, name the original drummer, fired from the band early on.

Paul McCartney, John Lennon, George Harrison, Ringo Starr, and Pete Best

- 21, 24) 30 pts. *European* Three ~~monarches~~ have been killed by their own people over the course of the last three hundred years. Name these monarches in chronological order for ten points a piece.

Karl XII (1718), Louis XVI (1792), Nicholas II (1917)

- 22, 25) 20 pts. Mathematical notation, though confusing at times, is meant to simplify computations. The following two functions have been simplified greatly. What notation (for ten points each) represents:

\*e to the t, plus e to the minus t, all divided by two and

\*e to the t, minus e to the minus t, all divided by two

hyperbolic cosine and hyperbolic sine