

## Quincy University Toss Up Questions

### TOSS-UP

1. Q. Two answers required. The Gothic and Old English forms of these numbers literally mean "one left" and "two left;" that is, what was left after all the fingers had been used. For ten points, name these two numbers.

A. 11 and 12 (must give both)

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2. Q. It is, quite literally, a cube cubed. It cannot be visualized in ordinary space, but instead exists in four dimensions. For ten points, identify this mathematical curio, featured prominently in the works of Madelene L'Engle.

A. tesseract

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3. Q. This play depicts a benevolent man's triumph over a hypocrite, a common theme in eighteenth century literature. The play features two brothers, the Surfaces, who compete for a reward of love and fortune. Other characters include Moses, Snake, Careless, Crabtree, and Sir Backbite. For ten points, identify this classic drama by Richard Sheridan.

A. The School for Scandal

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4. Q. He used Latin so much in his life that he even changed his French name to a more Latin-sounding one. For ten points, identify this inventor of binomial nomenclature, whose French surname was von Linné.

A. Carrolus Linneaus

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5. Q. You are standing in a mall looking at the giant Foucault Pendulum swing back and forth. Strangely, you notice that the plane of oscillation rotates by 90° every 6 hours. For ten points, where on the surface of the earth must you be?

A. the North Pole or the South Pole (accept either or both)

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6. Q. This book of the Bible is very short – only 21 verses. The central theme of this book of the Catholic and Protestant bibles is the destruction of the Edomites. For ten points, identify this book of the Old Testament written in the fifth century B. C.

A. Obadiah

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7. Q. This Shawnee Indian's name means "prophet" and he was the twin brother of Tecumseh. He is more famous, however, for placing a curse on the U. S. Presidency after the Battle of Tippecanoe in which a President would die every 20 years. For ten points, name him.

A. Tengstatawa

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8. Q. He was one of the most colorful players ever to grace the game. Born Rudolph Wanderone, he died recently after a long life of jokes, jeers, and insults directed at his opponents. His strategy of unnerving his opponent made him one of the most successful billiards players ever. For ten points, name this nemesis of Willie Moscone.

A. Minnesota Fats

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9. Q. In 1672 the French invaded Holland. The clever Dutch broke the dikes and allowed the North Sea to flood the land. The destruction caused the French to retreat with their king, saving Amsterdam. For ten points, who was this French king that commissioned the ill-fated quest for the Netherlands?

A. Louis XIV

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10. Q. This Japanese physicist will always be remembered for something he didn't really discover – in fact, he never saw one at all. However, his theory of a hidden potential lurking in the realm of particle physics gave birth to an entire family of particles, called mesons. For ten points, who is this physicist, credited with the prediction of the existence of the pion, and winner of the 1949 Nobel prize for physics?

A. Yukawa

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11. Q. He could be described as a man of the U. S. house of Representatives as well as a man of the timber and frontier. He served in congress from 1827–1835, and is remembered for his famous "Not Yours to Give" speech before the House. This Tennessee congressman emphasized fiscal responsibility, even to the point of denying widows of military veterans government support. For ten points, name this famous American who died at the Alamo.

A. Davy Crockett

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12. Q. Deconstructionist Theory has become more and more accepted as a valid sociological theory. The founder of this movement, however, has come under attack, and his philosophy has been criticized for its attempt to justify his unusual lifestyle. In fact, this man's promiscuous life led to his death from AIDS in 1984. For ten points, name this French philosopher/historian whose works include "The Means of Correct Training," "Illegality and Delinquency," and "The History of Sexuality."

A. Michel Foucault

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13. Q. Many books have borne this title. In the eighteenth century, a book of this name stated the belief that by the use of reason people might grasp the natural laws governing the universe. More recently, this title is a twentieth century book written by Jean Paul Sartre. For ten points, name it.

A. The Age of Reason

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14. Q. Fans of Star Trek will recognize him as the actor who portrayed the ruthless Khan in Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan. He may be most famous, however, for his car commercials for cars with Corinthian Leather seats. For ten points, name this actor.

A. Ricardo Montalban

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15. Q. After a long and bitter court battle, military history was made on January 20, 1994, when the first female student began classes at the Citadel, a previously all-male state of South Carolina supported school. For ten points, name this student.

A. Shannon Faulkner

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16. Q. John Marshall was the first Chief Justice of the Supreme Court who was notable for several major decisions, whereas John Jay was the very first Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court. However, two Chief Justices presided in the time between Jay and Marshall. For ten points, name either of them.

A. John Rutledge or Oliver Ellsworth (either or both)

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17. Q. One of the most significant Papal decisions in history occurred in 1493 when the Papal Line of Demarcation was set in the New World, separating areas of Spanish and Portuguese colonization. For ten points, name the Pope that issued this decree.

A. Pope Alexander IV

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18. Q. "The Adulterous Woman," "The Renegade," "The Silent Men," "The Guest," "The artist at Work," and "The Growing Stone" are the six short stories from a book entitled Exile and the Kingdom. For ten points, what renowned twentieth century author penned these stories?

A. Albert Camus

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19. Q. For a quick ten points, identify the astronomical term which refers to the apparent "backward" or west-to-east motion of some objects in the night sky.

A. retrograde

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20. Q. This two word phrase signifies a person's staunch belief about something without the empirical data to back up the belief. A motley crew of musicians used this name in the 1960's when they formed the world's first supergroup. For ten points, name this group, which consisted of Ginger Baker, Rick Grech, Steve Winwood, and Eric Clapton.

A. Blind Faith

### TOSS-UP

21. Q. For Hasidic Jews, to go beyond this was unthinkable. At least, it was unthinkable until the enlightened rule of Czar Alexander II, which allowed Jews to more easily mix with the rest of Russia. For ten points, what was the four letter word that signified the area where Eastern European Jews were isolated for so long?

A. Pale

### TOSS-UP

22. Q. Despite the fact that Virtual Reality has become the fad of the 1990's, only one major toy company has produced a set of virtual reality goggles for the open market. This same company has produced such other peripherals as the Activator and the Menacer. For ten points, identify this company.

A. Sega

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23. Q. It is the largest organ of the human body. For ten points, what is this organ, a part of the integumentary system?

A. the skin

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24. Q. In his How to Keep Young, he included "Six Rules for a Happy Life," including the famous "Don't look back; somebody may be gaining on you." For ten points, identify this famous pitcher.

A. Satchel Paige

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25. Q. B stands for Bravo, F stands for Foxtrot, and O stands for Ontario. For ten points, these words are all part of what system, widely used during world War II?

A. International Radio Code

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26. Q. This famous French writer produced many great works of literature during his lifetime. However, he may best be remembered for a famous quote: "If God did not exist, it would be necessary to invent Him." For ten points, identify this famous Frenchman.

A. Voltaire (accept François Marie Arouet)

TOSS-UP

27. Q. One of his first books was the Hugo award-winning The Andromeda Strain. Since then he has gone on to publish many famous works of science fiction, including the smash hit Jurassic Park. For ten points, name him.

A. Michael Crichton

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28. Q. He was an artist, in more ways than one, and he signed his artwork with the fanciful name "Ofey." He also was a musician, playing the bongos in a rumba band. For ten points, name this famous American Nobel Prize winning physicist, whose artful techniques of integration often left his colleagues wondering if he was truly human.

A. Richard P. Feynman

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BONUS (30 pts.)

1. Q. Botany is a science made up of many terms and classifications. For 10 points apiece, given a description of a classification, give the botanical term:

- a. Plants which have no vascular system.
- b. Plants whose seeds are found surrounded by a ripened ovary.
- c. Plants whose seeds are located on or in cones or cover.

A. a. Bryophyte b. Angiosperm c. Gymnosperm

BONUS (20 pts.)

2. Q. Everyone learns the names of the Presidents in grade school. However, not all Presidents used their real names while in office. For five points each, with a five point bonus for all three, identify the real first name of the following presidents:

- a. Cleveland
- b. Wilson
- c. Coolidge

A. a. Stephen b. Thomas c. John

BONUS (20 pts.)

3. Q. Radio and Television talk show host Rush Limbaugh has recently become quite successful as a writer. For ten points, identify his 1993 best seller, and for an additional ten points, identify his other, more recent best seller.

A. The Way Things Ought To Be, and See, I Told You So

BONUS (30 pts.)

4. Q. Don Drysdale's sudden death shocked the baseball world last year. His wife was also a famous athlete. For 15 points, give the name of his wife, and for an additional 15 points, name the sport in which she was a Hall-Of-Famer.

A. Ann Meyers and Basketball

BONUS (30 pts.)

5. Q. Mathematicians often speak of the five Platonic solids, or solids that conform to certain ascetic values according to Plato. For 5 points each, list the five Platonic solids, with a 5 points bonus for listing them in order from the least number of faces to the most.

A. a. Tetrahedron (4 triangle faces) b. Cube (6 square faces) c. Octahedron (8 triangle faces)  
d. Dodecahedron (12 pentagonal faces) e. Icosahedron (20 triangular faees)

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BONUS (30 pts.)

6. Q. In 1901, Anton Chekhov penned The Three Sisters, about three sisters with the surname of Prozorov. For ten points each, name the first names of the three sisters.

A. Olga, Masha, and Irina

BONUS (30 pts.)

7. Q. Diehard fans of the popular TV show The Simpsons know that dozens of characters appear on a regular basis. amazingly, all of the voices of these characters are spoken by only 6 people. For 5 points each, name these 6 people.

A. Dan Castellaneta, Harry Shearer, Yeardly Smith, Julie Kayner, Hank Azaria, and Nancy Cartwright (the voice of Bart)

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Harkmen  
Grammer

BONUS (20 pts.)

8. Q. Their work on the historical role of a nation's institutions in determining the wealth and economics of slavery won them the 1993 Nobel Prize in Economics, despite its controversial nature. For 10 points each, name these two men.

A. Douglass C. North and Robert Fogel

BONUS (25 pts.)

9. Q. For five points each, identify the authors of these colorful twentieth century works:

- a. A Clockwork Orange
- b. Green Berets
- c. The Scarlet Pimpernel
- d. White Noise
- e. Blue Knight

A. a. Anthony Burgess    b. Robin Moore    c. Baroness d'Orczy  
d. Don Delillo    e. Joseph Wambaugh

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BONUS (30-20-10)

10. Q. Name this historical figure after one clue for 30 points, two clues for 20 points, and three clues for 10 points:

30: He took an unescorted trip around the world when he

was only 12 years old.

20: His literary works which chronicle his expeditions

include Skyward, Little America,

Discovery, and Along.

10: During his lifetime, he led five expeditions, including Antarctica.

Operation Deep Freeze in

A. Richard Byrd

BONUS (25 pts.)

11. Q. For 5 points each, list the five longest rivers in Asia, in any order.

A. Yangtze, Yellow (accept Huang He), Amur, Lena, Mekong

BONUS (20 pts.)

12. Q. For five points each, identify the century in which the following buildings were built:

- a. The Taj Mahal
- b. Angkor Wat
- c. Hagia Sophia
- d. Palace of Versailles

A. a. 1600's (accept Seventeenth)  
b. 1100's (accept Twelfth)  
c. 500's (accept Sixth)  
d. 1600's (accept Seventeenth)

BONUS (25 pts.)

13. Q. One of the most controversial figures of the 1980's was Charles Keating, who made large contributions to five senators that pressed bank examiners to allow Keating's Lincoln Savings and Loan to stay in business. For 5 points each, name the five members of the infamous "Keating Five."

A. Alan Cranston, John Glenn, Donald Riegle, John McCain, and Dennis DeConcini



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BONUS (25 pts.)

14. Q. For each of the following Olympic Gold Medalists, identify the event in which they won their gold medal or medals:

- a. Rafer Johnson
- b. Vasily Alexeyev
- c. Al Oerter
- d. Parry O'Brien
- e. Paul Elvstrom

- A. a. decathalon    b. weightlifting    c. discus throw  
d. shotput    e. yacht racing (accept yachting)

BONUS (25 pts.)

15. Q. On May 17, 1992, Pope John Paul II announced the beatification of Josemaria Escriva de Balaguer. He was accorded this recognition in large part because of his founding of a Catholic organization for lay people which attempts to "sanctify daily living and work." For 25 points, name this worldwide organization started in Madrid on October 2, 1928.

- A. Opus Dei (accept The Prelature of Opus Dei)

BONUS (25 pts.)

16. Q. For each of the following convicted criminals, name the state in which they were executed:

- a. Bruno Hauptmann    b. Ted Bundy    c. Gary Gilmore
- d. Caryl Chessman    e. William Kemmler

- A. a. New Jersey    b. Florida    c. Utah  
d. California    e. New York

BONUS (25 pts.)

17. Q. Given the following lines from movies, name the actor or actress who spoke them:

- a. "Those who can't do, teach; and those who can't teach,                      teach P. E."
- b. "A man's got to know his limitations."
- c. "I'm still big. It's the movies that have gotten                      smaller."
- d. "Here's looking at you, kid."
- e. "Fiddle-Dee-Dee"

- A. a. Woody Allen    b. Clint Eastwood    c. Gloria Swanson  
d. Humphrey Bogart    e. Vivien Leigh

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**BONUS (30-20-10)**

18. Q. Identify the author given his works for 30 points on the first work, 20 points on the second, and 10 on the third:

30: Lectures on Russian Literature

20: Pale Fire

10: Lolita

A. Vladimir Nabokov

**BONUS (30-20-10)**

19. Q. Identify the composer given his works for 30 points on the first set of works, 20 points on the second, and 10 on the third:

30: "Hebrides Overture" (1829) and "Songs Without Words" (1830)

20: "A Midsummer Night's Dream" (1826) and "Violin Concerto" (1838)

10: The oratorios "St. Paul" (1836) and "Elijah" (1846)

A. Felix Mendelssohn

**BONUS (25 pts.)**

20. Q. This bonus will help you leap like a lion into the lead. for 5 points each, identify the word ending in LION:

- a. A red pigment.
- b. A large canopy.
- c. A green onion.
- d. A formal ball (dance).
- e. A mischievous person.

A. a. Vermillion    b. Pavilion    c. Scallion  
d. Cotillion    e. Hellion (accept Rapscallion)

**BONUS (20 pts.)**

21. Q. For ten points each, identify these books from the 1950's:

a. Written in 1956 by William H. White, it describes the mentality of the worker in a large bureaucratic setting where self-reliance gives way to the ability to "get along" and "work as a team."

b. Written in 1950 by David Riesman, this book contrasted the inner directed man with his own set of values and system of family with the outer directed man seeking to win approval of the community.

A. a. Organization Man                      b. Lonely Crowd

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BONUS (30-20-10)

22. Q. Identify this fictional character who is also an author for 30 points on the first clue, 209 points on the second, and 10 points on the third:

30: Phillip Jose Farmer published a book using this name as a pseudonym.

20: That book was Venus on the Half-Shell.

10: He is mentioned in Slaughterhouse Five and other of Kurt Vonnegut's works.

A. Kilgore Trout

BONUS (20 pts.)

23. Q. This American naval officer toasted the destruction of an enemy frigate in the harbor of Tripoli in 1804 by saying "Our Country! In her intercourse with foreign nations, may she always be in the right; but our country, right or wrong!" For 20 points, who uttered these oft-heard words?

A. Stephen Decatur

BONUS (20 pts.)

24. Q. The Gorgons were three terrifying sisters of Greek mythology, daughters of the sea-god Phorcys and Ceto. For 5 points each, name the three Gorgon sisters, and for an additional 5 points, tell which one was mortal.

A. Sthenno, Euryale, and Medusa, and the mortal one was Medusa

BONUS (30 pts.)

25. Q. Attention, Star Trek Fans! For ten points each, answer the following questions about Star Trek shows:

a. He played Lt. Miles Edward O'Brian on both The Next Generation and Deep Space 9.

b. This talented actor played both Lore and Dr. Noonian Soong on The Next Generation.

c. This Next Generation regular has appeared in the movies Hot Shots: Part Deux, Dune, and numerous Shakespeare plays, as well as Pontiac car commercials.

A. a. Colm Meany

b. Brent Spiner (Lt. Commander Data)

c. Patrick Stewart (Captain Jean-Luc Picard)