

1995 ACF Regionals Questions by Emory University

1. Born in 1776, this German author's Maerchen style represents a new departure in romantic writing, for he weaves the fantastic world close to the real world. For 10 points, identify this author of Fantasy-pieces and Night-pieces whose "Tales" formed the basis for a musical work by Jacques Offenbach.

Answer: E.T.A. Hoffman

2. The son of Drusus, he married four times, once to Messalina, whom he had put to death on account of her lust and debauchery. His last wife, Agrippina, had him poisoned by mushrooms and for good measure by his physician. For 10 points, identify this successor of Caligula as Roman emperor.

Answer: Claudius

3. Ground, diving, carrion, click, stag, whirligig, and tiger. FTP, these are all what kind of insects of the order Coleoptera?

Answer: Beetles (accept Coleoptera on an early buzz)

4. A British agnostic, he adhered to many systems of philosophy before becoming the chief expounder of scientism, the view that all knowledge is solely attainable by the scientific method. In 1927, he and his wife founded the highly experimental Beacon Hill School. FTP, identify this philosopher, author of Principles of Mathematics and co-author of Principia Mathematica.

Answer: Bertrand Russell

5. Hitler and his Nazis joined with General Erich Ludendorff and his conservative nationalists in an attempt to seize power in Munich. Hitler planned to use the Bavarian capital as a base against the republican government in Berlin; however, their support failed to materialize. FTP, name this action in which the Nazis first won national attention and for which Hitler was sentenced to five years in prison.

Answer: Beer Hall Putsch

6. In its recent sojourn below the sun's south pole, this spacecraft revealed an interesting phenomenon. Contrary to expectations, it saw no signs of a magnetic south pole. Instead, it found that the magnetic field high above the solar surface has about the same intensity at the poles of the equator. FTP, identify this probe, named after the Latin version of the much-travelled king of Ithaca.

Answer: Ulysses (Do not accept Odysseus)

7. It was founded in 1808 by Louis Napoleon Bonaparte as the Great Royal Museum. The present building, designed by P.J.H. Guypers, was opened in 1885 to house its fast-growing collection which now includes works by Ruisdael, Frans Hals, Vermeer, and Rembrandt. FTP, identify this Dutch national museum in Amsterdam.

Answer: Rijksmuseum or Rijks or Ryks Museum

8. Known primarily for his work on comparative psychology, he developed the Army Alpha intelligence test that during World War I was given to over 1 million recruits. Today he is better known for founding of the Yale Laboratories of Primate Biology. For 10 points, identify this man after whom those laboratories were renamed that are now housed at Emory University.

Answer: Robert Mearns Yerkes

9. Trained as a physician, this man turned to writing after contracting tuberculosis. Some of his novels concern Southern Christian gentlemen feeling the impact of changing times. FTP, identify this author of Lancelot, The Last Gentleman, and The Movie-Goer.

Answer: Walker Percy

10. In the 1600's, this American Indian tribe inhabited what is now Quebec and were essentially small bands of foragers that spoke a similar language. These bands were later to ally themselves with the French in an effort to block the Five Iroquois Nations' attempts to dominate the fur trade. FTP, identify this Indian tribe.

Answer: Algonquin

11. These mathematical devices can be added, subtracted, multiplied by a constant, dot multiplied with one another for a scalar result, or cross multiplied with one another yielding yet a third. FTP, identify these quantities with both magnitude and direction.

Answer: vectors

12. It emphasizes beautiful tone, a legato line, good phrasing, and clean articulation of words. Its primary exponents were Bellini, Donizetti, and Rossini. FTP, identify this style of singing which is Italian for "beautiful singing."

Answer: bel canto

13. The prankster Tony Lumpkin directs Marlow and his friend Hastings to what they think is an inn but is really the house of Marlow's fiancée. Marlow treats his fiancée's father as a landlord and treats his fiancée, Kate Hardcastle, as a maid. Kate takes advantage of the misunderstanding to break down Marlow's reserve. FTP, this happens in what 1773 comedy by Oliver Goldsmith?

Answer: She Stoops to Conquer

14. It begins with The Testimony of Three Witnesses and is signed by Oliver Cowdery, David Whitmer, and Martin Harris. It is followed by The Testimony of Eight Witnesses and the testimony of the Prophet translator of the book. FTP, name this work written upon plates taken from the plates of Nephi by Joseph Smith.

Answer: The Book of Mormon

15. Bordered to the North by the South China Sea and to the South by the Sarawak province of Malaysia, this country is divided into two enclaves by the disputed Limbang River watershed. FTP, identify this nation with its capital at Babdar Seri Begawan.

Answer: Brunei

16. An early regional writer, his first published works were Legends of New England and Moll Pitcher. Later he served in the Massachusetts legislature where he supported the Abolitionist cause. FTP, identify this Quaker author of Songs of Labor, "Marguerite," and "Barbara Frietchie."

Answer: John Greenleaf Whittier

17. Like Robert E. Lee, this man was strongly opposed to secession, but felt obliged to conform to the action of his state. Starting as a colonel in the Civil War, he was eventually responsible for all Confederate forces in the important Shenandoah Valley. FTP, identify this cavalry general that led 8,000 troops to within sight of Washington, D.C. in 1864.

Answer: Jubal Early

18. It begins with the formation of acetyl co-A and intermediates along the route include alpha ketoglutarate, isocitrate, NAD⁺ and NADH. For 10 points, what is this biological cycle also known as the tri-carboxylic acid cycle?

Answer: Krebs cycle or citric acid cycle (accept tri-carboxylic acid cycle on early buzz)

19. This musician is taking a sabbatical from his usual gig in order to tour and spend more time with his family. He does plan to return even though his role has been reduced to witless chatter with the host and background music for commercial fadeouts. For 10 points, identify this musician whose albums include Crazy People Music, The Beautiful Ones are Not Yet Born, and Buckshot LeFonque, the musical director of The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.

Answer: Branford Marsalis

20. Probably the first French ruler since the 13th-century Louis IX to actually care about the French people, he and his great minister Maximilian de Bethune, duke of Sully, laid the foundations of later French absolutism. FTP, name this ingenious politique who converted from Calvinism to Catholicism with the statement, "Paris is well worth a mass," and in 1598 ended the French religious wars with the Edict of Nantes.

Answer: Henry IV or Henry of Navarre

21. He perfected the "weight-shifting" technique in his sculptures. Some of his sculptures are St. Mark, St. George, St. Theodore, and the equestrian statue, Gattamelata. FTP, name this renaissance artist better known for his bronze casting of David.

Answer: Donatello

22. This method of mathematical proof proves a proposition for a succession of cases by showing (a) that it is true for the first case, and (b) that if true for any case, it must be true for the next case. FTP, give this term that also describes the reasoning in logic that reasons from the particular to the general.

Answer: Induction

23. The son of Frederick the Winter King and the grandson of James I of England, he served the Dutch in the Thirty Years War and was an outstanding royalist general during the English Civil War. After the English Restoration, he was a privy councillor to Charles II. FTP, identify this count Palatine of the Rhine, one of the founders of the Hudson's Bay Company and its first governor.

Answer: Prince Rupert

24. Byzantine Emperor Michael VIII and Peter III of Aragon were involved in the plot. It resulted in a 20-year war between Aragon and Naples. This 1282 rebellion against Charles I of Naples broke out at the start of evening prayers on Easter Monday. FTP, identify this historical incident which is the subject of an opera.

Answer: the Sicilian Vespers

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1. Answer the following questions about Midas for the stated number of points.

1. For 10 points, of what land was Midas king?

Answer: Phrygia

2. You are probably familiar with Midas's foolish wish that everything he touched would turn into gold. For 10 points, what god granted him this wish?

Answer: Bacchus or Dionysus

3. Midas served as umpire in a musical contest between Apollo and this deity and was given Ass's ears by Apollo when he judged against him. For 10 points, identify Apollo's opponent.

Answer: Pan

2. For 10 points each, identify these Chinese dynasties from clues.

A. Lasting from 1122 BC to 249 BC, this dynasty produced such philosophers as Confucius and Lao-tse.

Answer: Chou or Zhou

B. In this dynasty, lasting from 206 BC to 220 AD, paper and porcelain were invented and Confucianism became the basis of the Chinese State.

Answer: Han

C. During this dynasty, lasting from 618 to 907, China was not only the largest and most powerful state in the world but the most civilized. Women were allowed to compete in the civil service examination.

Answer: Tang

3. For 10 points each, given a definition, identify the geological term.

A. Sands and gravel carried by rivers and deposited along the course of the river.

Answer: Alluvium or alluvial deposits

B. Deposits of wind-blown fine particles.

Answer: Loess

C. An evaporite calcium sulphate mineral found in clays and limestone.

Answer: Gypsum

4. Identify the author from works, 30-20-10

1. People of the Abyss and Tales of the Fish Patrolz

2. The Iron Heel, Son of the Wolf

3. White Fang

Answer: Jack London

5. For 10 points each, identify the following figures from sociology or anthropology.

1. This German-born American is generally considered the Father of Anthropology in the United States.

Answer: Franz Boaz

2. This Austrian-born American sociologist criticized compulsory education in his book, Deschooling Society, and the established system of health care in Medical Nemesis.

Answer: Ivan Illich

3. Eugene Dubois, a Dutch anatomist and geologist discovered this example of Homo erectus in 1890.

Answer: Java Man

6. The reclining female nude is a recurrent figure throughout Western art. For 10 points, identify the artists who painted the following such nudes.

1. Sleeping Venus or the Dresden Venus

Answer: Giorgione

2. The Nude Maja

Answer: Francisco de Goya

3. Olympia, 1863

Answer: Edouard Manet

7. For 10 points each, identify the opera given characters.

1. Sarastro, Pamina, Monostatos

Answer: The Magic Flute or Die Zauberflote

2. Violetta Valery, Alfredo Germont

Answer: La Traviata

3. The Marschallin, Count Octavian, Baron Ochs

Answer: Der Rosenkavalier, The Knight of the Rose, or The Cavalier of the Rose

8. For 10 points each, identify the following terms from physics past and present.

1. Before later discoveries proved this theory wrong, heat was thought of as a fluid present in all bodies. What was the name of this fluid?

Answer: Caloric

2. In Newton's day, it was believed that gravity could not act through a complete vacuum, and must be carried by a natural and scientific agent. What was this agent called?

Answer: The Ether

3. Bohr's theory concerning the idea of atomic orbitals and their emissions of electromagnetic spectrum unfortunately applies to only one element. Which one?

Answer: Hydrogen

9. For 10 points each, give the only winner of the Nobel Prize in literature from the following countries.

1. Iceland

Answer: Haldor Laxness

2. Guatemala

Answer: Miguel Asturias

3. India

Answer: Rabinidranath Tagore

10. Identify the English kings for 10 points each.

1. Though married to Isabella of France, this king had a controversial relationship with Piers Gaveston.

Answer: Edward II

2. He challenged the power of Louis VII of France and, when he became King of England in 1154, was the feudal master of a greater part of the territory in France.

Answer: Henry II

3. The son of the Black Prince and the Fair Maid of Kent, this king successfully put down the Peasants' Revolt of 1381.

Answer: Richard II

11. For 10 points each, identify the U.S. Civil War generals.

A. This infamous graduate of West Point manage to burn his way to the sea.

Answer: William T. Sherman

B. A graduate of West Point, this Union general led the Army of the Potomac to defeat at Fredericksburg.

Answer: Ambrose Burnside

3. A former artillery officer in the army, this general led the Western Confederate army, but was never able to lead his army to victory. His most famous action was at Chickamauga.

Answer: Braxton Bragg

12. For 10 points each, given a description of a Canterbury tale, identify it.

A. Pertelote, Chauntecleer's favorite wife, ridicules his dreams of impending danger from a fox.

Answer: Nun's Priest's Tale

B. To get rid of her lover Aurelius, Dorigen promises to be his only if he will remove all the rocks from the coast of Brittany.

Answer: Franklin's Tale

C. Three rioters want to kill Death, but because of their greed, all three die in the end.

Answer: Pardoner's Tale

13. For 10 points each, identify these upcoming 1995 film releases.

A. Martin Scorsese directs Sharon Stone, Robert DeNiro, and Joe Pesci in this saga of Vegas hoods.

Answer: Casino

B. Phil Joanou directs Alec Baldwin, Kelly Lynch, and Teri Hatcher in the film adaptation of crime novelist James Lee Burke's second book featuring sleuth Dave Robicheaux.

Answer: Heaven's Prisoners

C. Original director John McTiernan returns to direct Bruce Willis in this the third Die Hard installment, co-starring Samuel L. Jackson, and set in New York City.

Answer: Die Hard With a Vengeance (Not Die Hard 3)

14. For 10 points each, give the American authors of the following works.

1. The People, Yes

Answer: Carl Sandburg

2. The Last Puritan

Answer: George Santayana

3. Butterfield 8

Answer: John O'Hara

15. Identify the important Enlightenment figures for 10 points each.

1. Unlike Montesquieu, he pessimistically concluded that the best one could hope for in the way of government was a good monarch since human beings are rarely worthy to govern themselves.

Answer: Voltaire or Francois Marie Arouet

2. He insisted that all ideas are derived from experience; that the human mind is a blank tablet (tabula rasa) on which environment writes individual s beliefs and morals.

Answer: John Locke

3. In his System of Nature this wealthy German-born but French-educated thinker argued that humans were machines completely determined by outside forces.

Answer: Baron Paul d'Holbach

16. Identify this element, 30-20-10.

1. Two of its most important uses are mixed in gasoline in an ethylene form, and in photography while bonded to silver.

2. It is a dark-red dense liquid at room temperature.

3. It is the Halogen in the fourth row of the periodic table of elements with atomic number 35.

Answer: Bromine

17. Identify these periods of the Thirty Years War for 10 points each each.

1. This period began when King Christian IV of Denmark intervened to support the Protestants against Holy Roman Emperor Ferdinand II.

Answer: Danish Period

2. The first period began with a Calvinist revolt and the incident known as The Defenestration of Prague.

Answer: Bohemian Period

3. The deaths of Gustavus Aldophus and Albrecht von Wallenstein, together with the exhaustion of the Holy Roman Emperor and the German Protestant princes, brought this period of the war to an end.

Answer: Swedish Period

18. Answer the following questions about the Geography of Zimbabwe for 10 points each.

1. What river separates Zimbabwe from Zambia?

Answer: Zambezi

2. What river flows along the border of Zimbabwe with South Africa?

Answer: Limpopo

3. What nation borders Zimbabwe to the west, nestled between South Africa and Namibia?

Answer: Botswana

19. Answer the following questions about the phases of mitosis for a total of thirty points.

1. For 5 points each, identify in correct order from first to last the four active phases involved in mitosis. You will have 15 seconds.

Answer: Prophase, Metaphase, Anaphase, and Telophase

2. Growth and DNA replication occur during a phase that is not one of the four active phases. For 5 points each, identify the phase and the specific part of that phase in which growth and DNA replication occur.

Answer: interphase; S

20. Given a definition of a term from art, identify the term for 10 points each.

A. The technique used to represent three dimensional spatial relationship on a two dimensional surface.

Answer: Perspective

B. This word means anything that is defined only by its outline.

Answer: Silhouette

C. From the Italian word meaning "clear and obscure," this term refers to the technique of painting three-dimensional figure and space through the distribution of light and shadows.

Answer: Chiaroscuro

21. Tennessee is surrounded by eight states.

1. For five points, name the other state bordered by eight states.

Answer: Missouri

2. For five points each, name five out of eight states that surround Missouri.

Answer: Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Illinois