

1995 MLK Weekend Tournament
Questions by Oglethorpe

1. This gland develops from the roof of the diencephalon. It is a derivative of the epithalamus and lies caudal to the anterior choroid plexus of the brain. In lower vertebrates, it and its partner may function as median eyes. In higher vertebrates, such as humans, very often its partner is lost and only it remains. It functions as an endocrine gland, but perhaps it is better known as the place in the human body where Descartes thought that the mind and body were joined. For 10 points, name it.

Answer: Pineal Gland

2. It was first proposed by British customs official Alfred E. Hoppisley and was recommended in communications sent by Secretary of State John Hay to France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Japan and Russia in 1899. For 10 points, identify this policy that was pushed by the U.S. to allow equal trading and development rights in China in the early 20th century.

Answer: Open Door Policy

3. At the height of his career, all this musician had to do was walk on stage, toss his long blond hair dramatically, take off his green gloves and women would collapse into shrieking, fainting fits. No, it's not Billy Idol. I'm talking about a man who was possibly the most talented pianist of his day and who some may argue was possibly the greatest pianist who ever lived. For 10 points, name this man whose compositions feature bold, virtuositic flourishes and include "Sonata in B Minor," "Hungarian Dances, Nos. 1-19" and the immortal Libestraum.

Answer: Franz Liszt

4. "I first met Dean not long after my wife and I split up. I had just gotten over a serious illness that I won't bother to talk about, except that it had to do with the miserably weary split-up and my feeling that everything was dead." These are the opening sentences of a novel about Dean Moriarty and Sal Paradise, a pinnacle work of the Beat generation, and Jack Kerouac's second novel. For 10 points, name it.

Answer: On the Road

5. Even after Major H. J. Henry confessed to faking a document, it took eight years before a civilian appeals court finally reversed the verdict from the 1894 trial. For 10 points, identify this victim of anti-semitism in 1890s France whose case raised much controversy and divided the sentiments of the nation.

Answer: Alfred Dreyfus

6. Each unaware of the other, Fred Morrison and Bill Robes developed, promoted, and patented a similar invention. Morrison put the names of the planets on his and sold them at fairs, beaches and parks before selling the rights to Rich Knerr and A. K. Melin, while Robes never hooked up with a major manufacturer. Since then, over 100,000 copies of Morrison's invention have been sold over the past 30 years, earning him over a half million dollars. For 10 points, what did Morrison invent, stories of Yale students behind a pie factory aside, which he sold to the founders of Wham-O?

Answer: The Frisbee

7. In later works by various authors, he has appeared in Irene at Large, The West End Horror, The Revenge of the Hound, and The Seven Percent Solution. For 10 points, identify this character who originally appeared in such works as The Five Orange Pips, The Sign of Four, and The Hound of the Baskervilles.

Answer: Sherlock Holmes

8. The origin of its beliefs and rituals are unknown, although it had to be before the fifth century B.C. It stresses belief in a great many spirits and gods, known as kami, who are paid tribute at shrines and honored at festivals, and reverence for ancestors. For 10 points, name this religion which has 3.5 million followers and is the ancient native religion of Japan.

Answer: Shinto

9. They are generally caused by an enormous increase, or bloom, in the numbers of certain microscopic organisms. The toxic variety is generally caused by several species of dinoflagellates, usually classified as algae. FTP, what are these discolored areas of ocean that may cover more than one square mile.

Answer: Red Tides

10. The first use of it by wagon trains was in 1842 and it wasn't abandoned until the 1870s. Its eastern portion was described in an 1849 book by Francis Parkman and it followed the Platte and North Platte rivers to South Pass, over the Rockies to the Snake River, over the Blue Mountains to Fort Walla Walla and down the Columbia River to the Willamette Valley. For 10 points, identify this important trail used by thousands of settlers in U.S. history.

Answer: Oregon Trail

11. The Clerk, The Physician, The Cook, The Squire, The Knight, The Merchant, The Friar, The Manciple, The Summoner, The Franklin, The Reeve, The Shipman, The Monk, The Miller, The Knight, The Man of Law, The Parson, The Canon's Yeoman, The Pardoner, The Wife of Bath, and Chaucer, all tell stories in what famous work of Chaucer's?

Answer: Canterbury Tales

12. This drug is rated moderately toxic, yet in high enough doses, it can cause muscle twitching, alternating states of consciousness, sweating, rapid heartbeat, photophobia and convulsions. The above effects are caused by the drug's overstimulation of the central nervous system. Interestingly, the drug is very similar to the asthma medication theophylline. It is also used to treat shock, heart disease, and is a useful diuretic. But perhaps it is better known as a study aid for those long nights of cramming. For 10 points, name this drug, the friend of college students everywhere.

Answer: caffeine

13. On the night of October 6, 1976 less than one month after the death of Mao Zedong, his widow Jiang Qing, along with Zhang Chunqiao, Wang Hongwen and Yao Wenyuan were arrested. For 10 points, what is the epithet given to this group which succumbed to the power struggle for control of the Communist Party of China?

Answer: Gang of Four

14. This thinker, who lived from 1838 to 1916, critiqued Newton by denying the existence of "absolute space," contending all motion is relative to some material body, and that acceleration with respect to the "fixed stars" gives rise to inertial forces and their effects. His principle states that the properties of space have no independent existence but are determined solely by the distribution of mass and energy. For 10 points, identify this Austrian scientist and philosopher of science who is best known because his name is attached to a measure of an object's velocity to the speed of sound in a medium.

Answer: Ernst Mach

15. He was educated at Balliol College, Oxford where he met his lifelong friend Robert Bridges, who first published his poetry in 1918 almost thirty years after his death. Absorbed by the religious ferment of his times he joined the Catholic Church in 1866 and became a Jesuit priest in 1877. His unique style is founded on what he called "sprung rhythm." For 10 points, name the author of "The Windhover," "Pied Beauty," and "The Wreck of the Deutschland."

Answer: Gerard Manley Hopkins

16. It was built in the Netherlands in the 1940's. In 1965, it was bought by an ex-mayor of Naples, who changed its name to his own, which is the name we know it by. In 1975, it crashed into a Lebanese boat and four people died. In 1981, a fire broke out on it, and two people died. In 1985, it was hijacked by Palestinian terrorists, who killed passenger Leon Klinghoffer and dumped him and his wheelchair overboard. Recently, off Somalia, a fire broke out on board and two people died before it sank into the Indian Ocean. For 10 points, name this ill-fated ship.

Answer: Achille Lauro

17. Only about one-fifth of this country lies below 500 feet and the highest peak, Glittertinden, rises to a height of 8000 feet in the Jotunheim range. The only region that can be described as coastal lowland is that around the capital in the extreme southwest. For 10 points, identify this European nation whose Sogne is the longest and deepest of its spectacular fjords.

Answer: Norway

18. Normally, the condemned in Athens were executed immediately after the sentence was passed, except during "The Mission to Delos." This mission was made annually by Athenians to commemorate a mythological figure's trip to end Athens' tribute to Crete. For 10 points, identify this king and son of Aegeus who during his trip slew the dreaded Minotaur.

Answer: Theseus

19. She was born in 1887 in Wisconsin and worked as a commercial artist in Chicago for several years. She came under the influence of Arthur Wesley Dow, whose teaching concerning the importance of patterning and other principles of abstraction freed her from realism and inspired her to return to fine art. For 10 points, identify this American artist noted for her oversized views of natural objects such as flowers blossoms, leaves, rocks, shells, feathers, and animal bones which she frequently integrated into abstract and objective imagery.

Answer: Georgia O'Keeffe

20. Nobody really expected this language to be in use for so long, so the problem that will occur in about five years was never considered. On January 1, 2000 at 12:01 AM, the world's major corporations will have a small catastrophe on their hands when their computer programs will simultaneously crash. Why? Because the software was not designed to recognize dates over 1999. The problem is based on outdated programs written in this language by programmers long gone. For 10 points, name this business oriented language used to create the software used by many major corporations.

Answer: COBOL

21. They were founded in the hope of establishing closer ties among an Anglo-Saxon elite to "secure the peace of the world." They were first awarded in 1903 to men only but are now available to women. For 10 points, identify these awards that bear the name of the British imperialist and statesman who left the funds for them upon his death in 1902.

Answer: Rhodes Scholarships

22. It is a term for a keyboard piece in free style-- generally with much elaborate passage work in rapid tempo that exhibits the player's dexterity. Those by Frescobaldi are in a restrained style compared to the later ones of Buxtehude and Pachelbel. For 10 points, identify this work derived from the Italian for "to touch" most famously exemplified in a work in D Minor by J.S. Bach.

Answer: Toccatà

23. The name's the same: a probe currently exploring the mid-Atlantic ridge; an undersea vessel in Vingt Mille Lievers Sous Les Mers in 1870; the first submarine to go under the north pole; and the name of a nationwide chain of health and racquet clubs. For 10 points, what's the common name which, with "Chambered", forms the title of an Oliver Wendell Holmes poem?

Answer: Nautilus

24. "On Old Olympus's Towering Top, a Finn and German viewed a Hop." This bizarre statement is a mnemonic device that students of comparative anatomy use to remember these twelve important structures. Some of them include the Accessory, the Facial, the Abducens and the Vagus. For 10 points, what are they?

Answer: Cranial Nerves

25. Pioneer 10 becomes the first spacecraft to leave the solar system, the U.S. government approves aspartame for use as an artificial sweetener, Alice Walker wins a Pulitzer Prize for The Color Purple, the TV series M*A*S*H ends after 251 episodes, Pope John Paul II visits Poland and meets Lech Walesa, Michael Jackson releases "Thriller" and "Beat It," and Ronald Reagan dubs the USSR "The Evil Empire." For 10 points, name the year.

Answer: 1983

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1. For ten points each identify the thinker from whom these well-known words are quoted.

a. "If God did not exist, it would be necessary to invent Him."

Answer: Voltaire

b. "The greatest happiness of the greatest number is the foundation of morals and legislation."

Answer: Jeremy Bentham

c. "No man's knowledge here can go beyond his experience."

Answer: John Locke

2. 30-20-10. Name this French composer and conductor.

1. He died in the line of duty; while beating time with a staff, he crushed his foot and subsequently died of gangrene.

2. His contributions to music included popularizing the minuet, founding French opera, and being the first to write orchestral parts for the transverse flute.

3. He served as court composer to Louis XIV.

Answer: Jean Baptiste Lully

3. Many academic team members pride themselves upon being psychotic. For 10 points each, identify these major classes of schizophrenia by their typical symptoms.

a. Regression to childlike behavior, senseless laughing.

Answer: hebephrenic schizophrenia (accept disorganized schizophrenia).

b. Rigid immobility of the body or constant abnormal motion.

Answer: catatonic schizophrenia

c. Delusions of grandeur and persecution.

Answer: paranoid schizophrenia

4. In 1987, astronomers enthusiastically turned their telescopes to observe supernova 1987A, the explosion of a star in a nearby galaxy. For 5 points each and a 5 point bonus for all correct, put the following stages of that star's evolution in chronological order: supernova, protostar, red giant, neutron star, main sequence star.

Answer: protostar, main sequence star, red giant, supernova, neutron star

5. 30-20-10. Name this man.

1. This Englishman, born in 1491, composed music as an avocation and is alleged to have written "Greensleeves".

2. He was married for several years to a six-fingered lady.

3. In order to be wedded to this unusual woman, he needed to first obtain a divorce from his previous wife. Since the Catholic Church would not grant him one, he established his own religion to sanction his divorce.

Answer: Henry VIII

6. Identify the following individuals from the world of dance, for ten points apiece.

a. This American formed her own company in 1929. Her works include Appalachian Spring and Archaic Hours. Her technique is noted for austerity and technical rigor.

Answer: Martha Graham

b. Born in Russia, this American danced with the Ballet Russe (1924-28) and served as principal artistic director and choreographer of the New York City Ballet (1948-82). His works, such as Serenade and Agon, are often abstract and formal.

Answer: George Balanchine

c. An American choreographer and dancer of musical comedies, he is noted for roles in Fancy Free and his choreography and direction of West Side Story.

Answer: Jerome Robbins

7. Identify the following U.S. territories from the description of their flags for ten points each.

a. It has the territorial seal which features a palm tree and a boat.

Answer: Guam

b. Has a white triangle bordered with red and an American eagle on the right.

Answer: American Samoa

c. Has three red and two white horizontal stripes and a white star.

Answer: Puerto Rico

8. For 5 points each, identify the major branch of philosophy which deals with each of the following:

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| a. the underlying nature of reality | Answer: metaphysics |
| b. the nature of truth and knowledge | Answer: epistemology |
| c. reasoning and the validity of arguments | Answer: logic |
| d. the nature of morals | Answer: ethics |
| e. the nature and perception of the beautiful | Answer: aesthetics |

9. Are they monuments or works of art? Whatever they are, they're big! For 10 points each, identify these colossal structures.

1. Designed by Frederic Bartholdi and dedicated in 1886, this 151 foot statue, made of hammered copper over an iron framework, is a familiar sight in New York Harbor. Give its formal name.

Answer: Liberty Enlightening The World

2. Completed in 1931, this 98.5 foot statue looks down from Corcovado Mountain on Rio de Janeiro.

Answer: Christ the Redeemer

d. Designed by Giuseppe Moretti and completed in 1904, this 56 foot cast iron statue stands as a monument to Birmingham's metalworking industry and traffic safety from its post atop Red Mountain.

Answer: Vulcan

10. For 10 points, each give the following "G" science terms.

1. It is the group of hormones produced by part of the stomach that stimulate acid secretion, pancreas secretion and gall bladder contraction.

Answer: gastrins

2. The French chemist and physicist who stated that when gases combine to give a gaseous product, the ratio of the volumes of the reacting gases to that of the product is that of a simple integral.

Answer: Joseph Gay-Lussac

3. A group of plant hormones found mainly in the seeds, young leaves and roots of green plants which lengthens the stems.

Answer: gibberellins

11. Identify these famous Supreme Court decisions given the description, for 10 points each.

a. The Supreme Court found for the first time that a state law was unconstitutional.

Answer: Fletcher v. Peck

b. The Court ruled that the government cannot restrict freedom of speech unless the speech creates a "clear and present danger."

Answer: Schenck v. U.S.

c. The Court declared that neither Congress nor the President could institute military tribunals to try civilians, even during wartime, in areas where civil courts are open.

Answer: Ex Parte Milligan

12. It's time for a bonus which mixes two of everybody's favorite classics, Shakespeare and Star Trek. Many of the titles for Star Trek episodes were taken from lines in Shakespearean plays. Given the name of an episode, tell which play the line comes from, for 5 points each and 5 points for all correct.

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| a. "Dagger of the Mind" | Answer: Macbeth |
| b. "The Conscience Of The King" | Answer: Hamlet |
| c. "By Any Other Name" | Answer: Romeo And Juliet |
| d. "How Sharper Than A Serpent's Tooth" | Answer: King Lear |
| e. "Thine Own Self" | Answer: Hamlet |

13. Identify these architectural terms for ten points each.

a. It is placed on the roof gutter of a Gothic building to carry away rain water and is commonly carved fancifully.

Answer: Gargoyle

b. In ancient Roman structures, it is a central room open to the sky, usually having a pool for the collection of rainwater.

Answer: Atrium

c. A horizontal projection, such as a balcony or beam supported at one end only.

Answer: Cantilever

14. Name the following American labor unions for ten points each.

a. Founded in the early 1900s it won some strikes in western mining and labor camps and in the textile mills of Lawrence, Massachusetts. Give the full name of this radical union which lost most of its influence after 1918.

Answer: Industrial Workers of the World or IWW

b. Founded in 1866 under the leadership of William Sylvis, an iron molder, it helped push through Congress in 1868 an eight hour workday for laborers and mechanics employed by the federal government. After supporting an unsuccessful third party movement in the election of 1872 this union faded away.

Answer: National Labor Union

c. Founded in 1869 by Uriah Stephens in Philadelphia, it sought to unite all American workers in one great union. It attempted to organize cooperative stores and manufacturing plants and was influential in the passage of the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882. Although it preferred arbitration it was involved in a large railroad strike in 1885.

Answer: The Knights of Labor

15. Identify the novel from its opening line for 10 points, 5 points if you need the author.

10: "He was an inch, perhaps two, under six feet, powerfully built, and he advanced straight at you with a slight slope of the shoulders, head forward, and a fixed from-under stare which made you think of a charging bull."

5: Joseph Conrad

Answer: Lord Jim

10: "In my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me some advice that I've been turning over in my mind ever since."

5: F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Answer: The Great Gatsby

10: "For a long time I used to go to bed early. Sometimes, when I had put out my candle, my eyes would close so quickly that I had not even time to say 'I'm going to sleep.'"

5: Marcel Proust

Answer: Swann's Way (prompt on Remembrance of Things Past)

16. You took American History 101, right? Then, your constitution should be reinforced by answering these questions about the Federalist Papers.

a. For five points each, who were the three men who wrote The Federalist Papers?

Answer: Alexander Hamilton, John Jay and James Madison

b. Under what pen name were these written?

Answer: Publius

c. Give the sentence that began each Federalist Paper. In other words, to the people of what state were they addressed.

Answer: New York

d. Give the year that the first Federalist Paper was published.

Answer: 1787

17. Name the Pulitzer Prize winner for poetry given the year and the book for which they won.

a. 1963, Pictures from Brueghel

Answer: William Carlos Williams

b. 1975, Turtle Island

Answer: Gary Snyder

c. 1976, Self Portrait in a Convex Mirror

Answer: John Ashberry

d. 1947, Lord Weary's Castle

Answer: Robert Lowell

e. 1929, John Brown's Body

Answer: Stephen Vincent Benet

f. 1965, 77 Dream Songs

Answer: John Berryman

18. You go to college right? So maybe you can identify these colleges/universities based on their original names for ten points each.

a. This Virginia school was originally named the Collegiate School.

Answer: William & Mary

b. This New Jersey school was originally named Queen's College.

Answer: Rutgers

c. This school was originally named Moor's Indian Charity School.

Answer: Dartmouth

19. Your old standby guesses won't help you on this bonus. For ten points each, identify the following Smiths and Joneses. First and last names required!

a. This American fur trader and explorer undertook two major explorations of the southwest in 1823 and 1830, covering the Central Rockies and Columbia River areas. He also was the first white man to reach California overland across the Sierra Nevada.

Answer: Jedediah and/or Strong Smith

b. This man, who studied landscape painting in Italy and introduced the Palladian style to England, was the founder of classical English architecture.

Answer: Inigo Jones

c. This Alabama evangelist charged the Methodist church with liberalism and once wrote a pamphlet entitled "Is Segregation Scriptural?" to which he answered "yes." He founded the University now located in Greenville, South Carolina which bears his name.

Answer: (Robert) Bob Jones

20. Most countries do fine with one word names for their capital cities. You get five points each for the two word names of these capitals.

a. It is situated near the Strait of Malacca on the Malay Peninsula.

Answer: Kuala Lumpur

b. The country is south of Laos and its capital is on the Mekong River.

Answer: Phnom Penh

c. The country is large and sparsely populated. It contains a high plateau, mountains in the west and the Gobi Desert in the south.

Answer: Ulan Bator

d. Located on the Persian Gulf, the country is bounded principally by Oman and Saudi Arabia.

Answer: Abu Dhabi

e. The country includes Tierra del Fuego and the capital lies at the mouth of the Rio de la Plata.

Answer: Buenos Aires

f. The country occupies the eastern portion of Hispaniola.

Answer: Santo Domingo

21. Our coach has told us that there aren't enough math questions in our rounds. Personally, I think there aren't enough music questions either. So, I thought I'd kill two birds with one stone. It's time for Musical Fun Math for fifteen points each!

a. Take the number of notes in a pentatonic scale, multiply by the number of oranges that Prokofiev was in love with and divide by the number of sharps in the key of A major.

Answer: 3

b. Take the opus number of Mozart's Jupiter symphony, add the year of Tchaikovsky's overture featuring cannons and divide by the number of operas that Beethoven wrote.

Answer: 1853

22. Identify these novels given their first line, for 10 points each.

a. "I am an American, Chicago born--Chicago, that somber city--and go at things as I have taught myself, free-style, and will make the record in my own way: first to knock, first admitted; sometimes an innocent knock, sometimes a not so innocent."

Answer: The Adventures of Augie March

b. "Buck did not read the newspapers or he would have known that trouble was brewing, not alone for himself, but for every tidewater dog, strong of muscle and with warm, long hair, from Puget Sound to San Diego."

Answer: The Call of the Wild

23. For five points apiece give both the Greek and corresponding Roman names for the following gods.

a. Leader of the Titans who ruled the heavens after overthrowing his father, Uranus.

Answer: Cronus and Saturn

b. God of the oceans.

Answer: Poseidon and Neptune

c. God of the underworld.

Answer: Hades and Tartarus