

1995 MLK Weekend Tournament
Questions by Vanderbilt B

1. She was born in 1851 and grew up in St. Louis, but after she married a plantation owner moved to New Orleans. After he died, she returned home and turned to writing, publishing the novel "At Fault" in 1890. Her favorite topics include Louisiana and what women do when their husbands aren't around. For 10 points, identify this author of The Story of an Hour, A Night in Acadie, and Bayou Folk who is best known for the novel, The Awakening.

Answer: Kate Chopin

2. Sex with a dead guy, gratuitous fingernail painting, a movie called Ass-worshiping Rim-Jobbers, and a guy named Dante. Sound gross? It must have been because lawyer Alan Dershowitz was hired to appeal this film's NC-17 rating. FTP, name this movie directed by Kevin Smith set in a convenience store adjoining a video rental shop.

Answer: Clerks

3. Their independent city-states included Caera, Chiui, Veii, Clusium, Perugia, Tarquinia, Vulci, Arrezzo, and Vetulonia. They adopted much from Greek civilization, including their alphabet. They established themselves in what is now modern Tuscany before the 7th century B.C. Greek historian Herodotus claimed that they came from Lydia in Asia Minor. For 10 points, identify these people that turned Rome into a city only to eventually be assimilated by the Romans.

Answer: Etruscans

4. He confirmed the long-term stability of the solar system by mathematically demonstrating the long-term periodicity of the inner three Galilean satellites of Jupiter, the mutually perturbing planets of Jupiter and Saturn, and acceleration mean of the Moon. For 10 points, identify this French scientist and author of the five volume Treatise on Celestial Mechanics, deviser of the nebular hypothesis, and who advised Napoleon he had no need for the hypothesis of God.

Answer: Marquis de Laplace

5. A French painter born in 1819, he painted realistic scenes of everyday life as well as autobiographical scenes. His main goal was to express truth in his paintings such as "The Quarry" and "Apples and Pomegranates". For 10 points, identify this foremost realist painter of 19th century France whose best known works are Burial at Ornans and The Stonebreakers.

Answer: Gustave Courbet

6. Though he was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1971, his sentence was eventually reduced to ten years and he was paroled in March 1974. For 10 points, identify this platoon leader who on May 16, 1968 rounded up and shot to death 347 unarmed men, women and children in a supposed Viet Cong stronghold in the South Vietnamese hamlet of My Lai.

Answer: Lt. William L. Calley, Jr.

7. He was blacklisted for refusing to answer questions concerning his Communist affiliations in 1947. He wrote the screenplays for Exodus, Spartacus, The Sandpiper, and The Fixer. For 10 points, identify this American author whose most famous work, Johnny Got His Gun, was used by Metallica in their first video.

Answer: Dalton Trumbo

8. They are comprised of till and are unstratified rock debris that may range in size from clay and sand to large boulders. They originate from many locations and are classified as terminal, lateral, and median in accordance with their position relative to a glacier or ice sheet. For 10 points, what are these piles of debris laid down by glaciers during both advance and retreat.

Answer: Moraine

9. This doctrine was shared by Buddhists, certain elements of traditional Hinduism, and by the Jains in ancient India, but not until the appearance of Mahatma Gandhi at the end of the 19th century did it take on its political and social aspects associated with pacifism. For 10 points, what is this term for the doctrine that one should never take human or animal life.

Answer: Ahimsa

10. It was, among other things, the most profitable business deal in Venetian history. In return for the assistance of thousands of Venetian soldiers, the city received 85000 silver marks plus half of everything taken on land or at sea, and that half ended up being a great deal of wealth. It took a detour through Zara and Constantinople although these were not sites approved by the pope. FTP, name this event declared by Pope Innocent III to liberate the Holy Sepulcher.

Answer: Fourth Crusade

11. The title character, like all her family, is a resident of Marshalsea prison, where her father is in prison for debt. While there, her family is befriended by Arthur Clennam who later ends up in debt himself but is forgotten by his former friends who have inherited a fortune. For 10 points, what is this novel centered on young Amy by Charles Dickens.

Answer: Little Dorrit

12. He was one of the early supporters of the theory of conservation of energy. However, he was a brewer at the time rather than a professional scientist, so he could not get his views published in scientific journals. Instead, he presented his paper at a lecture in Manchester and got it printed in full in a Manchester newspaper. He went on to make great contributions to thermodynamics. FTP, name this man after whom the SI unit for energy is named.

Answer: James Prescott Joule

13. This sculpture was attributed by Pliny the Elder to the Rhodian sculptors Agesander, Athenodorus, and Polydorus; and it was dated in the first century B.C. It was rediscovered in Rome in 1506 and was exalted in the late 16th century as a symbol of unrestrained emotion. FTP, what is this sculpture, depicting the death of a Trojan priest and his sons by serpents of Poseidon.

Answer: Laocoon group

14. This language originated around 1500 BC in the Middle East, the native language of a nomadic group that settled in the Syro-Palestinian area. It became the colloquial language of the region under the Persians after 539 BC. It is spoken today by Jacobite and Nestorian Christians in northeastern Iran and bordering areas of Iraq, Armenia, and Azerbaijan. FTP, what is the language of Jesus and the Jewish Talmud.

Answer: Aramaic

15. While governor of Australia in 1808, he tried to eliminate smuggling of liquor and other illegal activities and incited a "Rum Rebellion." However, he is better known for a more famous uprising in 1789. FTP, name this man made famous by the mutiny of his crew on the HMS Bounty.

Answer: William Bligh

16. While President of Harvard, he declared that if every other student left because a black student had been accepted, then the college would dedicate all of its resources to that student. He was the Secretary of State under Fillmore and was the vice-presidential candidate for the Constitutional Union Party in 1860. FTP, identify this man who gave the keynote speech at the dedication of the Gettysburg National Cemetery.

Answer: Edward Everett

17. The oboe, the french horn, the flute, the kettle drums, a three-piece string section are all instruments that are part of this "musical tale for children." You may think that this is unreasonable, but it is almost guaranteed that one of your first times hearing these instruments were at a performance of this work. For 10 points, identify this composition by Sergei Prokofiev.

Answer: Peter and the Wolf

18. You may not think about this disease very often, but it is sure that you've glanced at its name before, especially if you like those "just one calorie" drinks. When a child is stricken by this disease, brain damage and light retardation will occur if preventive steps are not taken. Although the disease is rare, newborns are routinely tested by drawing blood from their heels. Because of the efforts of one doctor, the disease has been largely prevented in the Pennsylvania Amish. For ten points, name this disease caused by an inability to metabolize the amino acid phenylalanine.

Answer: phenylketonuria or PKU

19. This small republican country consists of 33 islands in the Pacific Ocean. It contains three island groups: eight of the Line Islands, the eight Phoenix Islands, and the sixteen Gilbert Islands and Banaba. FTP, name this country whose capital is at Bairiki.

Answer: Kiribati

20. There is a bar named after him in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, where he lived in 1897 as a fugitive from embezzlement charges in the U.S. He began writing stories during his three years in prison and became a prolific short story writer. FTP, give the better known pen name of this author of Cabbages and Kings and The Four Million and Other Stories.

Answer: O. Henry or W.S. Porter

21. He was the leading Christian spokesman of his time. He introduced monasticism to Western Christianity. He is perhaps better known for his role in the Council of Nicaea and his arguments against homoiousios and the Arians. FTP, name this bishop whose creed is very similar to the Nicene Creed.

Answer: Athanasius

22. Born as Mustafa Kemal in Salonika, Greece, he rose to the rank of general in World War I. He became famous for his role in the defeat of the allies at Gallipoli. FTP, name this man, the founder and first president of the Republic of Turkey.

Answer: Kemal Ataturk

23. This city's population is only 26,571, but there are over 3100 square miles within the city limits, making it the largest city in terms of area in the U. S. Its average annual temperature is 40 degrees F, yet it is near a glacier. FTP, name this town on the Alaska panhandle which is also the capital of that state.

Answer: Juneau

24. In 1920, a prominent newspaper editorialized against this man. "That Professor (Blank) with his chair in Clark College and the countenancing of the Smithsonian Institution does not know the relationship of action to reaction, and of the need to have something better than a vacuum against which to react--to say that would be absurd. Of course, he only seems to lack the knowledge ladled out daily in high schools." Along with the obvious ignorance of physics, the paper was writing against the vanguard of American space conquest. FTP, name this man, who launched the first liquid fuel rocket in 1926.

Answer: Robert H. Goddard

25. It is subtitled "Reflections on Life's Final Chapter." Its chapters include "Doors to the Death of the Aged," "Murder and Serenity," "The Strangled Heart," and "A Valentine and how it fails." No, it's not a combination of The Death of Ivan Ilyich and Crime and Punishment. This book poignantly describes the scientific and psychological details about human mortality. For ten points, name this book, a New York Times bestseller written by Sherwin B. Nuland.

Answer: How We Die

26. It is the only member of the genus Acinonyx. There are two species of it, both endangered and living in Africa. It is the only member of the cat family to chase its prey rather than stalking and pouncing. FTP, what is this cat, the fastest land animal.

Answer: Cheetah

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1. Here's something fast and simple. Name all six tribes in the League of the Iroquois for 5 points each.

Answer: Cayuga, Mohawk, Oneida, Onondaga, Seneca, Tuscarora

2. Given the name of the painting, tell me the name of the artist for ten points each.

a. The Vision of the Sermon

Answer: Paul Gauguin

b. Portrait of Madam X

Answer: John Singer Sargent

c. Nocturne in Black and Gold: The Falling Rocket

Answer: J.A.M. Whistler

3. 30-20-10 Identify this author from works.

30: A Thirsty Evil, Hollywood, Empire

20: Visit to a Small Planet, Julian, and 1876

10: Lincoln and Myra Breckinridge

Answer: Gore Vidal

4. Identify these individuals in modern physics for ten points each.

a. He created a theorem on blackbody radiation, that the ratio of light emitted to light absorbed is a universal function of the temperature and nothing else.

Answer: Gustav Kirchoff

b. He found that when a magnet is heated, a temperature is reached at which magnetism disappears.

Answer: Pierre Curie

c. He introduced the wave equation in quantum mechanics.

Answer: Erwin Schrodinger

5. Answer the following questions about the history of Hungary for 10 points each.

1. The March Laws, instituting a liberal constitutional monarchy were passed in the wake of the revolution of what turbulent year?

Answer: 1848

2. What man proclaimed Hungary a Republic in April 1849?

Answer: Louis Kossuth

3. What man overthrew the short-lived Communist soviet republic of Bela Kun in 1919 and instituted the White Terror against leftists?

Answer: Admiral Nicholas Horthy (de Nagybanja)

6. Addison and Steele, can you keep them and their works straight. Answer the following questions about these two contemporaries for 10 points each.

1. Which of them founded The Tatler?

Answer: Richard Steele

2. What other newspaper was founded by Addison with Steele in 1711?

Answer: The Spectator

3. What poem did Addison write in 1704 to celebrate Britain's victory at Blenheim?

Answer: The Campaign

7. It's time to worry about your body shape. When I describe a type of body shape, give me the technical name for the body type, ten points each.

a. Thin, large skin surface, dominated by outer skin and nervous system. Looks a lot like Elizabeth Taylor during her young, skinny stage.

Answer: ectomorph

b. Heavy, flabby. Looks a lot like Elizabeth Taylor during her chubby days.

Answer: endomorph

c. Sturdy, highly developed bones and muscles. Looks a lot like Elizabeth Taylor when she started working out to impress Richard Burton.

Answer: mesomorph

8. Identify the scientist on a 30-20-10 basis.

30: He developed the economic idea incorrectly known as "Gresham's Law."

20: He was a canon of the church in Frombork, and helped in negotiations between his people and the Teutonic Knights of Prussia. He first outlined his scientific theories in the work, Commentariolus.

10: He was the father of modern astronomy theorized that the Earth was not the center of the universe as had been previously believed as was published in his landmark On the Revolutions of the Heavenly Spheres.

Answer: Nicholas Copernicus

9. Given the opera or operetta, name the composer, for ten points each.

a. Orpheus in the underworld

Answer: Jaques Offenbach

b. Elektra

Answer: Richard Strauss

c. Ivanhoe

Answer: Sir Arthur Sullivan

10. When I tell you a work, name the famous muckraker, for ten points each.

1. History of Standard Oil Company

Answer: Ida M. Tarbell

2. The Shame of the Cities

Answer: Lincoln Steffans

3. The Great American Fraud

Answer: Samuel Hopkins Adams

11. Since the advent of Star Trek: Generations and the death of Captain Kirk, we must ponder for a moment all those who failed to kill him. Star Trek villains are sometimes great, sometimes simply horrid. For five points each, give the villain or threat from:

1. Star Trek: The Motion Picture

Answer: V'ger or Voyager VI

2. Star Trek II

Answer: Khan Noonian Singh

3. Star Trek V

Answer: Sybok

4. Star Trek VI (2 answers, 5 each)

Answer: General Chang and Admiral Cartwright.

5. Star Trek: Generations

Answer: Soren

12. On a 30-20-10 basis, name the actor.

30: This Englishman first gained a large following for his roles as Herbert Pocket in Great Expectations and Fagin in Oliver Twist.

20: He won an Oscar for Best Actor in 1957 for The Bridge on the River Kwai

10: He may be best remembered by younger generations as Obi-wan Kenobi in Star Wars.

Answer: Sir Alec Guinness

13. 30-20-10, identify the following country.

30: Its highest point, Mount Jouzapine, is only about 985 feet tall. Its only commercial seaport is Klaipeda, on the Baltic Sea.

20: It is bordered to the east by Byelorussia, to the southwest by Poland, and Russia.

10: Its capital is Vilnius.

Answer: Lithuania

14. Answer the following questions about Homer's Iliad for the stated number of points.

a. 5 points: After Achilles was killed, this Greek went mad and killed himself because Odysseus beat him out for Achilles' armor.

Answer: Ajax or Aias

b. 10 points: Achilles pouted in his tent because Agamemnon took this slave girl from him.

Answer: Briseis

c. 15 points: When Zeus sent a false dream to Agamemnon, it was in the form of this prophet.

Answer: Calchas

15. For ten points each, identify the following stages of mitosis after a description for ten points each.

1. When the chromosome pairs line up along the center of the dividing cell.

Answer: metaphase

2. When the chromosome pairs split and move to opposite poles of the cell.

Answer: anaphase

3. When the cell begins to become two cells and two nuclei just begin to assemble at opposite ends of the cell. At this stage, the cell itself just begins to divide.

Answer: telophase

16. Extra! Extra! Answer these questions about newspapers of the world for ten points each.

a. This newspaper is based in Virginia and has the second highest U.S. circulation for a daily newspaper, after the Wall Street Journal.

Answer: USA Today

b. The name of this newspaper of the CIS, formerly the official newspaper of the USSR, means "news" in English.

Answer: Izvestia

c. It is the oldest daily newspaper in the US.

Answer: Philadelphia Enquirer

17. Name the author from a list of works on a 30-20-10 basis.

30: Across the Plains and A Footnote to History

20: Weir of Hermiston and Travels with a Donkey in Cevennes

10: Treasure Island and The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde

Answer: Robert Louis Stevenson

18. The ten commandments are often referred to in literature, but who really knows them? For that matter, who really follows them? But never mind that, for 5 points each, I'll give you the commandment, you give me the number. These are taken from the King James Version.

1. Thou shalt not bear false witness to your neighbor.

Answer: 9

2. Thou shalt not make a carved image... you shall not bow down to it nor serve them.

Answer: 2

3. Thou shalt not covert thy neighbors house, etc.,etc.

Answer: 10

4. Thou shalt not murder.

Answer: 6

5. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord in vain.

Answer: 3

6. You shall not commit adultery.

Answer: 7

19. For 10 points each, identify the authors of the following 20th century plays.

1. The Resistible Rise of Arturo Ui

Answer: Berthold Brecht

2. The Birthday Party

Answer: Harold Pinter

3. Suddenly Last Summer

Answer: Tennessee Williams

20. In any constellation, the alpha star is the brightest star in that constellation. FTP each, name the alpha star in each of the following constellations.

1. Ursa Minor

Answer: Polaris

2. Leo

Answer: Regulus

3. Taurus

Answer: Aldebaran

21. Given the nation, identify the capital for five points each.

a. Equatorial Guinea

Answer: Malabo

b. Mauritania

Answer: Nouakchott

c. Cameroon

Answer: Yaounde

d. Cape Verde

Answer: Praia

e. Swaziland

Answer: Mbabane

f. Zambia

Answer: Lusaka

22. Given the following inventions or technological advances, name the people responsible for ten points each.

a. the electric generator

Answer: Michael Faraday

b. the automatic machine gun

Answer: Hiram Maxim

c. the gasoline engine

Answer: Gottlieb Daimler

23. 30-20-10 Name this American City

30: Castro Street is one the nightlife centers in this city.

20: In the mid 1980's it had a rather odd debacle about its official songs. Tony Bennett sings one of them.

10: Diane Feinstein was its mayor and Barbara Boxer was one of its congresswomen.

Answer: San Francisco

24. For five points each, given the administrative capitals of some British-administered islands, name the island.

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| a. Douglas | ISLE OF MAN |
| b. Road Town | BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS |
| c. Adamstown | PITCAIRN Island |
| d. Jamestown | SAINT HELENA |
| e. Hamilton | BERMUDA |
| f. St. Peter Port | GUERNSEY |

25. For 15 points each, identify these two influential figures of modern sociology.

a. The founder of Harvard's School of Social Relations, he is credited with developing the structural-functional school of sociology. Among his more important books are "The Social System" and "Politics and Social Structure."

Answer: Talcott PARSONS

b. Beginning with his 1952 work "The Mechanical Bride," this Canadian sociologist argued that modern communication would eventually render the concepts of individual and nation meaningless. He is best known for coining the phrase "global village."

Answer: Marshall MCLUHAN

26. For the stated number of points, identify these members of the Adams family:

5 : The grandson of John Quincy Adams, the writings of this historian and novelist include Mont-Saint-Michel, Democracy, the essay The Virgin and the Dynamo, and a famous autobiography.

Answer: HENRY Adams

10: The ^{father} brother of Henry, he abandoned Wall Street for history-writing and produced such works as "Massachusetts: Its History and Historians" and "Railroads: Their Origins and Problems."

Answer: CHARLES FRANCIS Adams

15: Yet another Adams historian, his major work is 1900's "America's Economic Supremacy," which predicted that by 1950, the world would be dominated by the United States and Russia.

Answer: BROOKS Adams

27. In 1356, the Golden Bull of Charles IV established the system by which Holy Roman Emperors would be chosen by the bishops of three certain ecclesiastical sees and the secular rulers of four specific territories. For 5 points each, name any six of these seven original electorates.

Answer: Archbishops of TRIER, COLOGNE, and MAINZ; Margrave of BRANDENBURG, King of BOHEMIA, Count Palatinate of the RHINE, Duke of SAXONY

28. British North America was divided into the thirteen colonies, but the mainland part, Spain's much larger New World empire was divided into just four viceroyalties on the eve of the revolutions. For ten points each, name any three of them.

Answer: NEW SPAIN, PERU, NEW GRANADA, LA PLATA