

Senior Bird questions by Bold Words for a One-Eyed Fat Man

tossups

1) Iva Ikuki Toguri D'aquino, a US citizen, was one of them. There were at least a dozen. Convicted of treason in 1949, she steadfastly claimed to have worked under duress. On January 19, 1977, President Ford granted her a pardon. FTP, identify this name, which US troops gave to the women who broadcast enemy propaganda from Japan during WWII.

Tokyo Rose

2) In a wretched film called "The Starfighters", he portrayed Jimmy Witowski, the son of a US congressman and one of the first pilots of the F-104. Interestingly, his career would take him to Congress as well, where he earned the nickname "B-1 Bob" for his unwavering support of the bomb being assembled, not surprisingly, in his district. FTP, name this Californian, currently the only Republican Representative who has declared his candidacy for the Presidency.

Robert Dornan

3) His essay "The Theme of the Three Caskets" has proved influential to literary criticism. His "Leonardo da Vinci and a Memory of his Childhood" and "Creative Writers and Daydreaming" have also proved important to the humanities and fine arts. However, such works as "The Interpretation of Dreams" and "Three Essays on the Theory of Sexuality" really cemented his position in the field of psychology. FTP, name this real dead Austrian psychologist.

Sigmund Freud

4) We are immortal spirits called Thetans who need to practice a ritual called auditing to free us from the power of engrams, past painful experiences. Counselors known as auditors with e-meters help us free our reactive mind through these areas of spiritual difficulty. At least that would be a summary of this religion, if you were to ask some of its adherents, such as Juliette Lewis or John Travolta. FTP, identify this religion, based on L. Ron Hubbard's teachings in Dianetics.

Scientology

5) These fundamental particles are theorized to exist in 8 kinds, corresponding to the 8 transformations that can change the colors of quarks. Considered to be the carriers of the strong nuclear force, these particles are responsible for binding together the quark constituents of protons and neutrons. FTP, name these particles, whose names refers to their binding properties.

gluons

6) Maggie Verver, the daughter of an American millionaire, marries the impoverished Prince Amerigo. Her old schoolfriend, Charlotte Stant, who has had an affair with the prince, later marries Adam Verver, Maggie's father, and continues her relationship with her lover. In the second part of this novel, Maggie discovers the liaison and reacts to it. Generally considered its author most difficult work, the object named in the title is actually a piece of cracked crystal that has been gilded to hide its flaw. FTP, name this Henry James novel.

The Golden Bowl

7) This drug inhibits the synthesis of prostaglandins, fatty acids with hormone-like functions. This effect has been linked with the prevention of blood clots in potential stroke and heart attack victims. Its activity is based on chemicals called salicylates, derived from willow and other plants and known for their medicinal properties since ancient times. FTP, name this drug, first introduced into widespread medicinal use in 1899 and known as acetylsalicylic acid.

aspirin

8) On May 3 and 4, Confederate troops led by Jubal Early and Jeb Stuart pushed the Union army across the Rappahannock River. However, none of this would have been possible if Stonewall Jackson's charge against the Union's right flank hadn't caught Joseph Hooker off guard. FTP, name this battle of 1863, the last major victory for Lee's Army of Northern Virginia and Jackson's last battle period.

Chancellorsville

9) Many film versions of this play have been made. One of the most recent and bizarre was in 1987 by Jean-Luc Godard, starring Molly Ringwald, Woody Allen, Burgess Meredith, and Norman Mailer. Earlier versions include a 1971 film by Peter Brook starring Paul Scofield. Probably the best known version of this Shakespeare play isn't even in English. Directed by Akira Kurosawa in 1985, it was called "Ran". FTP, name this play, about a king and his three daughters.

King Lear

10) On February 9, 1995, the National Labor Relations Board ruled that "the Jills" could form the nation's first cheerleader's union. Presumably, this means that they will be able to protest inappropriate working conditions, such as all those unhappy January Sundays. FTP, for what NFL team do the Jills cheer, even if everybody was hoping that somebody else would represent the AFC in this year's Super Bowl?

Buffalo Bills (accept either)

11) Introduced into literature by Alejo Carpentier in his prologue to his 1949 work The Kingdom of this World, the term originally referred to a school of painters in the 1920's. It is used to describe the prose fiction of such writers as England's John Fowles, Germany's Gunter Grass, Argentina's Jorge Luis Borges, and Colombia's Gabriel Garcia Marquez. It involves a sharply etched realism combined with fantastic and dreamlike elements. FTP, give this literary term, exemplified in the recent popular film Like Water for Chocolate.

magic realism

12) Credit for originating this idea has recently been extended to an 18th century Swiss scientist J.P. Loys de Cheseaux. One explanation rests on the finite lifetime of stars. An earlier suggested resolution to this paradox was the discovery of the cosmological red shift. Even earlier, some suggested that stellar dust was the explanation. FTP, name this paradox, which says that if the universe was infinite, then the night sky would be bright.

Olber's paradox

13) The grandson of Chandragupta Maurya, he nearly captured all of India. Perhaps the greatest of the Maurya dynasty, he is primarily remembered today for his conversion, in around 257 BCE, to Buddhism. He then tired of military conquests and sent Buddhist missionaries throughout his empire, as far away as Greece and Egypt, and can be said to be single-handedly responsible for Buddhism's status as a worldwide religion. FTP, name this Indian emperor, who died in around 232 BCE.

Asoka

14) The origin of its name is unknown, but seems to have originated around 1545 and have no connection to the religious faith. It consists of a tiny iron frame, open at one end, in which a single strip of metal vibrates. The frame is then held between the teeth, and the strip twanged by a finger, which causes resonance in the mouth. FTP, what is this simple, yet widely distributed musical instrument?

Jew's harp

15) He was born in his grandfather's Episcopal rectory in Columbus, Mississippi and moved with his family to St. Louis when he was 12. 60 years later, he was dead, though it now appears to have been a drug overdose that claimed his life. In between, he wrote such plays as "The Milk Train Doesn't Stop Here Anymore," "The Night of the Iguana," "Summer and Smoke," and "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof." FTP, name this author.

Tennessee Williams

16) One of his first projects was to calculate the age of the earth based on the rate of cooling of the planet, assuming it had once been a piece of the sun. he also designed and implemented the mirror galvanometer that was used in the first successful sustained telegraph transmissions in transatlantic submarine cable. Serving as a professor of natural philosophy from 1846-1899 at the University of Glasgow, he also observed what is now called the Joule-Thompson effect (the decrease in temperature of a gas when it expands in a vacuum). FTP, identify this scientist born as William Thompson but better known by a name associated with a temperature scale.

Baron Kelvin of Largs (if W. Thompson given early, accept)

17) Pittsburgh Penguins' sensation Jaromir Jagr chose his uniform number in commemoration of the events of this year. In this year, in Jagr's native country of Czechoslovakia, Alexander Dubcek replaced Antonin Novotny as Communist party first secretary, and his brief tenure saw liberal reforms and the promise of increased democratization, at least until August, when the Soviets invaded. FTP, name this year, known as the year of the Prague Spring.

1968

18) Perhaps its most interesting character is the mysterious Mr. Datchery, who appears late in the novel to thwart the machinations of Jasper. Indeed, some critics believe that Datchery is actually the title character, who isn't dead after all. But, of course, we'll never know, as the author died before he could finish this 1870 novel. FTP, name this work, which, when it appeared on the Broadway stage, allowed the audience to vote on who killed the title character.

The Mystery of Edwin Drood

19) His abstract, economical style of sculpting caused a great deal of controversy originally; examples of this include the portrait of Mlle Pogany (1923) on display at the Musee national d'art moderne in Paris, and Bird in Space (1919) at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. FTP, name this sculptor, born in Rumania in 1876, who is perhaps best known for Sleeping Muse and The Kiss.

Constantin Brancusi

20) This word comes from the Greek for "thanksgiving", and it is first referred to in four different accounts in the Bible: Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, and First Corinthians 11. Interpretations of its meaning have varied. Some Christian writers of the second century held that it consisted of two realities, an earthly and a heavenly substance. In the Middle Ages, the doctrine of transubstantiation was developed. FTP, identify this concept in Christianity associated with the Lord's Supper and Communion.

eucharist



21) In Roman mythology, this was a guardian spirit that protected an individual throughout his or her life. Every living person was endowed with a specific one, to whom yearly offerings were made, generally on the person's birthday. They were also spirits who protected tribes, towns, and the Roman state. A particularly important one was Populi Romani, guardian of Rome. FTP, identify these spirits, whose name is now used to describe people with high IQ's. genius

22) On Valentine's Day, all the birds get together to pair off, and Nature says that the royal tercel eagle gets first pick. He picks the formel eagle, but two other tercel eagles claim him instead, and all the other birds argue over who is right and who is wrong. FTP, this is a brief synopsis of what 14th century poem, conceived after a reading of Cicero by Geoffrey Chaucer.

The Parliament of Fowls

23) This element is relatively abundant, and is considered to rank 16th in the Earth's crust. It was discovered in 1861 by Robert Bunsen and Gustave Kirchhoff in a spectroscopic examination the mineral lepidolite. It is a soft metal that can be liquid at room temperature, although the pure element melts at 38.9 degrees Celsius. Its name comes from the Latin for "deepest red." FTP, identify this element whose atomic number is 37 and whose symbol is Rb. rubidium

24) The name of this state is derived from the Quapaw Indian word meaning "downstream people." The region was first visited by Europeans in 1541-42 when Hernando DeSoto, a Spanish explorer, led a party through the area. The region was acquired by the U.S. in 1803 as part of the Louisiana Purchase and it became the 25th U.S. state in 1836. FTP, name this state, whose capitol is at Little Rock. Arkansas

25) People at Court thought of its leaders as children playing at throwing stones, so they were referred to by a word from the French for "slingshot." Actually, there were several, of which the most important were that of the Parlement, precipitated by the refusal to register a edict which would have required that magistrates surrender four years' salary, and that of the Princes, precipitated by Cardinal Mazarin's arrest of Louis II, prince de Condé. FTP, identify this term for the revolutionary activities in France between 1648 and 1653. fronde

bonuses

1) Part of Ben really wishes that the modern world still believed in the Muses of Greek mythology. Wouldn't it be really cool if we could all go light a candle in a shrine to Mnemosyne, then maybe we'd remember more? Anyway, given a historical personage, name the Muse he or she should be supplicant towards, for 5 points each.

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| a) Elizabeth Barrett Browning   | <u>Erato</u> (love poetry)                                     |
| b) Carl Sagan                   | <u>Urania</u> (astronomy)                                      |
| c) Jim Carrey                   | <u>Thalia</u> (comedy)   |
| d) A. J. P. Taylor              | <u>Clio</u> (history)  |
| e) Martha Graham                | <u>Terpsichore</u> (dance)                                     |
| f) Lisa "Left-Eye" Lopez of TLC | <u>Euterpe</u> (music)<br>or <u>Terpsichore</u> (choral music) |

2) Given lines from a well-known modern American poem, name the poem for 10 points each. If you need the author of the poem, you'll receive but 5 points.

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| a) | 10) "Glazed with rainwater beside the white chickens"  |                            |
|    | 5) William Carlos Williams   | <u>The Red Wheelbarrow</u> |
| b) | 10) "Out of the ash/I rise with my red hair/And I eat men like air."                         |                            |
|    | 5) Sylvia Plath  | <u>Lady Lazarus</u>        |
| c) | 10) "Who let themselves be fucked in the ass by saintly motorcyclists and screamed with joy" |                            |
|    | 5) Allen Ginsberg  | <u>Howl</u>                |

3) Put the following critters in order by their average gestation periods, shortest to longest: buffaloes, bats (excluding the vampire), chimpanzees, rabbits, elephants, lemmings, 5 points each.

lemmings (20 days), rabbits (28 days), bats (40-70 days), chimpanzees (230 days), buffaloes (330 days), elephants (21 months)

4) Of Jose de San Martin, Bernardo O'Higgins, and Simon Bolivar, which, for 5 points each:

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| a) invaded Venezuela in 1816, but met disaster and retreated to Haiti?                       | <u>Bolivar</u>    |
| b) invaded Chile in a march across the Andes in 1817?  | <u>San Martin</u> |
| c) was the illegitimate son of the governor of Chile?  | <u>O'Higgins</u>  |
| d) seized Lima in 1821 and became protector of Peru?   | <u>San Martin</u> |
| e) was the subject of Garcia Marquez' <u>The General in his Labyrinth</u> ?                  | <u>Bolivar</u>    |
| f) was deposed as ruler of Chile in 1823 after a reform movement aroused too much suspicion? | <u>O'Higgins</u>  |

5) For 5 points each, name these seemingly unrelated individuals from a brief description.

a) A contemporary of Edison, he is known for his futuristic experiments with free energy. He offers a unique insight that touches on both the technical and the mystical. Nicola Tesla

b) The origins of the historical bearer of this name are shrouded in mystery. He is said to have lived continuously for over 400 years. Today, he is usually recognized as an ascended Master gifted with extraordinary powers. St. Germaine

c) Well-known inventor, philosopher, founding father of early America, and turkey proponent. Ben Franklin

d) Known by the Cherokee name of his Trail of Tears incarnation, he was the first fully-spiritual being to be born on the earthplanet. he is involved in Native American activities and shamanic journeys. Tsali

e) She radiates Love and has been known by many names throughout Earth's history. The personification of Goddess energy, she is best remembered for the birth of Christ. Mary

f) In his recent incarnation (1877-1945), he was recognized as the "Sleeping Prophet". He is a high-level healer and communicator. Edgar Cayce

(RN: If anybody's curious about the connection between these folks, refer them to Charlie.)

6) As a rival to the striking "major league" baseball teams, a group calling itself the United Baseball League has arisen. Before it fails to meet its payrolls and gets itself relegated to a 10-second mention in Ken Burns' "Baseball 2: The Wrath of Kuhn", let's wring a 30-point bonus out of it. For 5 points each, name the 6 locations chosen as the inaugural franchises in the United Baseball League.

New York, New Orleans, Los Angeles, Washington (DC), San Juan (Puerto Rico), British Columbia

7) Given these modern works of literature laying around Allison's bedroom at 3 in the morning the day before these questions were due, name the author for 5 points each.

a) Hannibal Lecter, My Father

Kathy Acker

b) Mumbo Jumbo

Ishmael Reed

c) A History of the World in 10 1/2 Chapters

Julian Barnes

d) Money

Martin Amis

e) Eternal Curse on the Reader of These Pages

Manuel Puig

f) House Made of Dawn

N. Scott Momaday

8) 30-15, name this woman.

30) According to Halliwell, she was the first person to say the word "fuck" in film, in the 1967 I'll Never Forget Whatshisname.

15) Born in 1947, this British actress, former heroin addict, singer, and Mick Jagger love interest, she is supposedly the woman the Rolling Stones "Angie" is written for.

Marianne Faithful

9) Given some more critters, give their taxonomic order for 5 points each.

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| a) moles    | <u>insectivora</u> |
| b) giraffes | <u>ungulates</u>   |
| c) beaver   | <u>rodentia</u>    |
| d) rabbits  | <u>lagomorph</u>   |
| e) opossum  | <u>marsupial</u>   |
| f) camels   | <u>ruminant</u>    |

10) The McLaughlin Group has published a reading list, for those of you who don't get enough intellectual stimulation from watching the McLaughlin Group in the first place. Anyhow, given a title from that list, name its author, for 5 points each. As a hint, keep in mind the ideological bent of the defrocked Father McLaughlin.

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| a) <u>Diplomacy</u>  | Henry <u>Kissinger</u>     |
| b) <u>The Agenda: Inside the Clinton White House</u>                 | Bob <u>Woodward</u>        |
| c) <u>Out of Order</u>   | Thomas E. <u>Patterson</u> |
| d) <u>Race Matters</u>   | Cornel <u>West</u>         |
| e) <u>Where the Girls Are: Growing Up Female with the Mass Media</u> | Susan J. <u>Douglas</u>    |
| f) <u>The Book of Virtues</u> (editor)                               | William <u>Bennett</u>     |

11) 30-20-10, name this man.

30) Pope John XXII charged him with heresy, and he fled to the protection of Louis IV, Holy Roman Emperor. Thereafter, he supported the temporal power of the Emperor over the spiritual power of the Pope.

20) A nominalist, he rejected Aquinas' Aristotelian realism, holding that logic can be studied outside the realm of metaphysics. He further denied the existence of universals other than the mind and language, and disputed both Aristotle's final cause and the existence of God.

10) His importance is in the fields of logic and scientific enquiry, where he is best remembered for his notion that "It is vain to do with more what can be done with less."

William of Occam



12) You know, that Prussian military tradition really did have something behind it. For 10 points each, given a brief description, name these seminal figures in German military history.

a) Field Marshal of Prussia and chief of the general staff from 1858 until his death, he laid the plans for victories in the Danish War, the Austro-Prussian War, and the Franco-Prussian War. His son was a key figure in Germany's WWI high command.

von Moltke

b) The genius behind Germany's plan in WWI, he designed the plan to hold fast in Alsace and Lorraine (or Strasbourg and Metz if you prefer) and invade France through Belgium and attack Paris from the northeast, described by one military history professor as "Student Body Right."

von Schlieffen

c) The author of On War, his teachings influenced both Moltke and von Schlieffen, as well as Lenin. His basic precept is that war is just national policy being carried out through non-political manners.

Clausewitz

13) Given a title from Robert Trent's Narratology and Film Theory class reading list, name its author, for 5 points each and a 5 point bonus for all 5.

a) Joseph Andrews

Henry Fielding

b) Tess of the D'Urbervilles

Thomas Hardy

c) Lord Jim

Joseph Conrad

d) To the Lighthouse

Virginia Woolf

e) Pale Fire

Vladimir Nabokov

(acc: Uncle Vulva)

14) Given the star, identify the constellation it can be found in, 5 points each.

a) Deneb

Cygnus

b) Antares

Scorpius

c) Pollux

Gemini

d) Altair

Aquila

e) Betelgeuse

Orion

f) Aldebaran

Taurus

15) 30-20-10, name this author from a list of works.

30) A Hell of a Woman and A Swell-Looking Babe

20) Pop. 1280 and The Killer Inside Me

10) After Dark, My Sweet, The Getaway, and The Grifters

Jim Thompson

16) Identify the following endocrine glands given the hormone they secrete, 5 points each.

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| a) epinephrine and norepinephrine                      | <u>adrenal medulla</u>    |
| b) follicle stimulating hormone and lutenizing hormone | <u>pituitary</u>          |
| c) melatonin   | <u>pineal</u>             |
| d) parathormone  | <u>parathyroid</u>        |
| e) corticosteroids hormones                            | <u>adrenal cortex</u>     |
| f) thyroid stimulating hormone                         | <u>anterior pituitary</u> |

17) 30-20-10, name this American statesman.

30) He was actually born in Mebane, NC, but it is not North Carolina his statue represents in Statuary Hall. In 1836, he drew up Andrew Jackson's Specie Circular.

20) Senator from 1821-1851, and a Representative from 1853-55, he supported currency measures to benefit the common man, favored Western development, and opposed the extension of slavery into the newly formed territories.

10) His statue represents Missouri, if you must know, and he may be more famous for his grandnephew of the same name, the 20th century painter and muralist.  
Thomas Hart Benton

18) 30-20-10, name this place.

30) The largest scale model in the world is of this place. At a scale of 1 inch to 100 feet, it takes up a room the size of 2 basketball courts.

20) A college from this city is the only school to win the NCAA men's basketball tournament and the NIT tournament in the same season.

10) The construction of the 1902 Flatiron building in this city ushered in the era of the skyscraper and started the city on its trademark skyline.  
New York City

19) (30 points) On a 10-5 basis, identify the following capital cities. If you can get them from clues, you'll get 10 points. If you need to know the country they're capital of, you'll get 5.

- a) 10) It is the world's highest capital city.  
5) Bolivia LaPaz

b) 10) It was first founded in A.D. 29 on the site of an eighth century B.C. Thracian settlement by the Romans, who named Ulpiaserdica. The city was destroyed by Attila the Hun in 447, but was rebuilt in the 6th century by the Byzantines who renamed it Triaditsa.

- 5) Bulgaria Sofia

c) 10) The city was founded in 1544 by a Portugese trader Lourenco Marques. In 1907, it became the capital of Portugese East Africa.  
5) Mozambique Maputo

20) For 10 points each, identify the following Wagnerian operas, given a brief discussion of the mythological background from which each was drawn.

a) A minnesinger finds his way to Venusberg, where he stays a while to enjoy Venus's pleasures. Soon, he realizes he has sinned, and he visits the Pope to ask for absolution. The Pope says that he's as likely to receive absolution as the Pope's staff is to sprout leaves, but when the staff does sprout leaves, the Pope sends for the minnesinger, who has returned to Venusberg.  
Tannhauser

b) The Knight of the Swan, he arrives in Antwerp and wins the heart of Elsa, a princess of Brabant. He marries her on the condition she not take his name; she agrees, then he tells her his name and disappears, but not before convoluting the story even further by turning a swan back into her brother.  
Lohengrin

c) Lohengrin's father, while going to visit his mother, he stumbles onto the castle of the Holy Grail (presumably not the Castle Aaaarrghh). The guardian of the Grail tells him that only his sympathy can heal his wound, but he never bothers to ask what caused the wound in the first place, so he is condemned to leave and renew his faith in God before he can return to cure the guardian.  
Parcival

21) For 10 points each, name these British economists given a brief description.

a) Founder of the Royal Exchange and private advisor to Elizabeth I, his name was applied to the principle that when depreciated currency circulates with currency of higher value (with respect to precious metals), the more valuable money is removed from the system by hoarders.  
Sir Thomas Gresham

b) Having amassed a fortune, he turned to political economy, and in 1817, argued that wages tend to stabilize around the subsistence level and that the value of any good is a function of the labor required to produce it.  
David Ricardo

c) Perhaps more than any other, he is responsible for economics' perception as the dismal science. In an essay published in 1798, he argued that population will inevitably grow to outstrip the food supply, and thus famine, war, and disease were unavoidable.  
Thomas Malthus

22) For the stated number of points, answer the following questions about Old Captain Chipper himself, Benito Mussolini.

a) First, for 5 points, within 2 years, when did he found the National Fascist Party, right after his election to Parliament? 1921

b) For 10 points, when his Black Shirts marched on Rome in October 1922, what king called upon Mussolini to form a new government, with himself as premier? Victor Emmanuel III

c) For 15 points, what treaty, signed in 1929 by Mussolini and Cardinal Pietro Gaspari, created Vatican City? Lateran treaty

23) For the stated number of points, name the following saints given a brief description.

a) For 15 points, the foremost American sculptor of the late 19th century, famous for his figures of Abraham Lincoln in Chicago and William Sherman in New York. Augustus Saint-Gaudens

b) For 10 points, an 18th and 19th century French social theorist, who believed that society would achieve its highest state if everybody lived in these big hotels; in spite of that mania, his The New Christianity (1825) did influence later thought. Claude Saint-Simon

c) For 5 points, the 20th century aviator and writer, author of Night Flight and The Little Prince. Antoine de Saint-Exupery

24) 30-20-10, identify the element.

30) It was first isolated by Berzelius, and its name comes from an Arabic word meaning "gold-colored".

20) It is produced commercially by the Kroll process and is superconductive at low temperatures.

10) It has the symbol Zr.

Zirconium

25) Ben understands that there is an abridged version of the Oxford Dictionary of Quotations that excludes the citations from Shakespeare and the Bible. If you happen to own one of those, tough luck. For 5 points each, name the speaker and the play given a Shakespearean quote.

a) "Put out the light, and then put out the light."  
Othello in Othello

b) "My library / Was dukedom enough."  
Prospero in The Tempest

c) "Last scene of all, / That ends this strange eventful history, / Is second childishness, and mere oblivion."

Jaques in As You Like It