Mötley Crëw Tossups

1. Born in 1896, he was famous for his designs for laminated-wood furniture. Other works include the Maison Carre in Paris and Baker House in Cambridge, Massachusetts. FTP, name this architect, whose work adapts Finnish building traditions to modern European technology.
    Answer: Alvar Aalto

2. Commemorated in a 1798 poem, it was here that Marshal Tallard was defeated, providing the most resounding and decisive victory for the British on the Continent since Agincourt. FTP, what was this battle, fought on the upper Danube in 1704, where John Churchill, duke of Marlborough, had the upper hand?
    Answer: Blenheim

3. She was a music hall dancer and a mime, and from these experiences was able to write such works as La Vagabonde and L'Envers du music-hall. She described the German occupation in Paris de ma fenetre, and several of her works were published under her husband's pseudonym Willy. FTP, who is this French novelist, born with the first names Sidoni Gabrielle, who is perhaps best known for the Claudine books, and for Gigi?
    Answer: Colette

4. Created by Lars Born, and with voice by Dayton Allen, his most frequent enemies include Ty Coon, the Peach Pluckin' Kangaroo, Vincent van Gopher, the corn-stealing Pig Newton, and Musky Muskrat. His loyal sidekick and nephew is named Elmer. FTP, name this Mississippi canine lawman, who was especially popular in the South and Southwest.
    Answer: Deputy Dawg

5. Although he came from a musical family, he received no formal training; however, he became one of the great English orchestral composers. Born in 1857, he is known for the oratorios The Dream of Gerontius, The Apostles, and The Kingdom, as well as for a musical portrait of his friends, The Enigma Variations. FTP, name this man, the composer of the march "Pomp and Circumstance."
    Answer: Edward Elgar

6. His writings include The Case of Sacco and Vanzetti, The Public and Its Government, and Law and Politics. As a Harvard professor from 1914 to 1939, he trained many of the men who helped frame New Deal legislation. Born in Vienna in 1882, he sat on the Supreme Court from 1939 to 1962, when he retired due to a stroke. FTP, name this man, instrumental in the founding of the American Civil Liberties Union.
    Answer: Felix Frankfurter

7. Tom's mistress Myrtle is killed in a car accident. Myrtle's husband traces the car and kills its owner, not realizing that it was not he but Tom's wife who was driving at the time of the accident. At the car owner's funeral, the only mourners are the deceased's father and one of his former guests. FTP, this describes the resolution of the plot of what classic by F. Scott Fitzgerald?
    Answer: The Great Gatsby (prompt if "Gatsby" is answered early)

8. Born in 1896, his middle name was Winchester. One of the quintessential auteur directors, he marked all of his films with his own unique stylistic and thematic characteristics, despite the myriad of genres in which he worked. FTP, name this director of The Dawn Patrol, Twentieth Century, Only Angels Have Wings, Rio Bravo, To Have and Have Not, Bringing Up Baby, and The Big Sleep.
    Answer: Howard Hawks

9. It is the ratio of the AC voltage applied to an electric circuit to the current it produces. It represents a generalization of the concept of electric resistance to include cases where the current is out of phase with the voltage. FTP, what is this term?
    Answer: Impedance

10. Born in 1818, he discovered the first law of thermodynamics, and was the first to determine the relationship between heat energy and mechanical energy. He established the mechanical theory of heat, and the mechanical unit of work is named for him. FTP, who his he?
    Answer: James Joule

11. He succeeded his brother Mangu, and defeated the Sung dynasty of China, founding the Yuan. He founded a magnificent capital at Cambuluc, and made war on Japan, Southeast Asia, and Indonesia. His rule, however, was nominal except in Mongolia and China. FTP, name this emperor, the grandson of Genghis, who is perhaps most famous for hosting Marco Polo?
    Answer: Kubla Khan

12. It states that the electromotive force, or emf, induced in a circuit is such as to oppose the flux change giving rise to it. FTP, what is this law?
> Answer: Lenz's law

13. In March, 1801, during the last hours of his Presidency, John Adams appointed numerous loyal Federalists to judgeships. Owing to bureaucratic delay, one of these commissions was late in arriving. This triggered a series of events culminating in an 1813 ruling by Chief Justice John Marshall which established the power of judicial review for the Supreme Court. FTP, name this famous case.
> Answer: Marbury v. Madison

14. Settled around 1620, and incorporated in 1896, it is one of the world's major shipbuilding and repair centers, and a major port as well. Located at the mouth of the James River off Hampton Roads, in 1862 the battle of the Monitor and the Merrimack was fought off it. FTP, name this SE Virginia city.
> Answer: Newport News

15. The hero and his friend, Doctor Long Ghost, are imprisoned following a mutiny, but are finally released and explore the island of their imprisonment. The title of the novel is a Polynesian word for "rover" or "wanderer." Subtitled "A Narrative of Adventures in the South Seas", the novel begins by recapitulating the end of Typee. FTP, name this Herman Melville novel.
> Answer: Omoo

16. It states that as an employee continues to excel in his or her job, that employee will continue to be promoted, until the individual reaches a job beyond their capabilities, at which level they will remain. More simply stated, it says that each employee rises to the level of their own incompetence. FTP, what is this famous business concept?
> Answer: Peter Principle

17. He was primarily a wind god, but his attributes were later expanded to include identification with teh sun, creation of the world and of man, and instruction of mankind in the nature of the cosmos, the crafts, and teh arts of civilization. Prevalent among the Indians of Central America, he generally appears as a feathered or plumed serpent. FTP, name this deity.
> Answer: Quetzalcoatl

18. Occasionally criticized for its embracing of eugenic policies, it suggests dividing all citizens into three classes: the guardians, the soldiers, and the workers or producers. Democracy and tyranny are both rejected, and temperance and restraint must characterize all three classes. FTP, name this seminal philosophical work by Plato.
> Answer: The Republic

19. Born in 1886, he wrote a three-volume fictional autobiography first published anonymously under the collective title The Memoirs of George Sherston. The first volume, Memoirs of a Fox-Hunting Man, is a particularly vivid evocation of the life of the English country gentry. He is best known, however, as a poet, whose poems often are angry, violent, and satirical attacks on the horrors of war. FTP, name this man, the author of Counter-Attack and Other Poems.
> Answer: Siegfried Sassoon

20. First isolated in 1783 by the de Elhuyar brothers, it is a silver-white to steel-gray, very hard, ductile metal. Its steels are hard and strong at high temperatures, and its carbide is used in place of diamond for dies and as an abrasive. It has a higher melting point than any other metal. FTP, name this element, with atomic number 74.
> Answer: Tungsten

21. Gandhi named them Harijans, or children of God, when trying to break down discrimination against them. Named because tactile contact with them is considered to be ritually defiling or polluting by higher castes, they are also known as Pariahs. FTP, what is this group composed of members of the lowest castes of Hinduism.
> Answer: Untouchables

22. He grew to full stature in a day, and carried out the task specifically for which Odin had conceived him. Typifying new light after darkness, he was one of the few gods expected to survive Ragnarok. FTP, name this god, who avenged teh death of Balder by slaying blind Hodur with an arrow.
> Answer: Vali

23. Known as the Hammer and Scourge of England, he led Scottish insurgents in a series of engagements, but was ultimately betrayed, captured, tried, hanged, drawn, and quartered. FTP, name this Scottish patriot, soon to be portrayed on the big screen by Mel Gibson.
> Answer: William Wallace

24. One of the variable represented Jean Conrad Hottinguer, one an American banker named Bellamy, and one Lucien Hauteval. The incident occurred during Franco-American diplomatic talks, when it was hinted to the American representatives John Marshall, Elbridge Gerry, and C. C. Pinckney that Talleyrand would require bribes totalling $250,000 before talks could begin. FtP, give the alphabetic moniker of this incident.
Answer: XYZ Affair

25. (Two answers required) The words originally meant "shady" and "sunny", and occur very early, but were elaborated into a cosmological system only in the 3rd century BC. One is female, passive, cold, and negative, while the other is male, active, hot, and positive. FTP, what are these words, which embody teh Chinese concept of the negative and positive principles of the universe?
Answer: Yin and Yang

26. This 1968 film tells of the murder of a leading opposition MP & the attempted cover-up. It won the Best foreign film Oscar. It also picked up a Best Picture nomination & Best Director nomination for Costa-Gavras. FTP name it.

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Mötley Crëw Bonuses

1. Identify the authors of the following works, for 5 points each.
1. _We Have Always Lived in the Castle_
                    Answer: Shirley _Jackson_
2. _Bend Sinister_
                    Answer: Vladimir _Nabokov_
3. _These Thirteen_
                    Answer: William _Faulkner_
4. _A View From the Bridge_
                    Answer: Arthur _Miller_
5. _Street Scene_
                    Answer: Elmer _Rice_
6. _The Cloister and the Hearth_
                    Answer: Charles _Reade_

2. Almost all of our knowledge of the period of English history from 400 to 600 comes from the writings of three authors. Identify them from cluse, for the stated number of points.
1. For 5 - A Northumbrian monk, his best known work, _Ecclesiastical History of the English People_, covers the period from the Roman invasion of Britain to 731.
        Answer: the Venerable _Bede_
2. For 10 - An early Welsh historian writing around 800, he is most important for being one of the first writers to mention Arthur, crediting him with 12 victories over invading Anglo-Saxons around the beginning of the 6th century.
        Answer: _Nennius_
3. For 15 - A contemporary of the period, around the late middle 6th century he wrote a treatise condemning the loose morals of the British gentry of his time, and blaming their downfall to the Anglo-Saxons on the wrath of God. Along the way, he gives various accounts of the founding of the Anglo-Saxon kingdoms in Britain.
                    Answer: Gildas

3. Identify this artist from works 30-20-10
30 - _The Day of the God_, _By The Sea_
20 - An autobiography, _Noa Noa_
10 - _The Yellow Christ_
        Answer: Paul _Gauguin_

4. Identify this director from clues 30-20-10-5
30 - His second film, _The Mountain Eagle_, concerned feuding hillbillies in Kentucky. No print of it remains.
20 - During World War II, he was commissioned by the French government to produce two anti-Nazi propaganda shorts. The results, _Adventure Malgache_ and _Bon Voyage_, were instead dark meditation on the true nature of good and evil, and were not shown.
10 - His last two films, _Frenzy_ adn _Family Plot_, are considered to be among his finest.
5 - His film _Rebecca_ won Best Picture
        Answer: Alfred _Hitchcock_

5. Identify these anatomists, for 10 points each.
1. He recognized that the fluid in the left side of the heart must get to the right side, but postulated small holes in the heart wall, thus missing the explanation of circulation. However, he was the first to use the pulse as a diagnostic aid. Name this man, born in Pergamum.
        Answer: _Galen_
2. This Flemish anatomist wrote "On the Structure of the Human Body."   Answer: _Vesalius_
3. This English physician developed a theory of circulation, explained in his "On the Motions of the Heart and Blood."

        Answer: William _Harvey_

6. Identify this author from works 30-20-10-5
30 - _The Outsider_, _The Festival_, The Whisperer in Darkness_
20 - _The Tomb_, _The Shadow Out of Time_
10 - _The Dunwich Horror_, _The Shadow Over Innsmouth_
5 - _The Call of Cthulhu_
        Answer: H.P. _Lovecraft_

7. It's time for an oldie but goodie - for 5 points each, given a state of Australia, provide its capital.
1. Queensland
            Answer: _Brisbane_ X
2. Tasmania
            Answer: _Hobart_ √
3. Western Australia
            Answer: _Perth_ √
4. South Australia
            Answer: _Adelaide_ √
5. New South Wales
            Answer: _Sydney_ X
6. Northern Territory
            Answer: _Darwin_ √

8. Identify this president 30-20-10
30 - He was a minister in the Disciples of Christ church, and president of what later became Hiram College.
20 - His presidency was marred by a patronage struggle with Senator Roscoe Conkling. He was the last president born in a log cabin.
10 - He defeated Winfield Scott by less than 10,000 popular votes in 1880.   Answer: James _Garfield_

9. Identify this man from works and clues 30-20-10-5
30 - His works include _Mortal Engines_ and _The Investigation_
20 - Other works include _The Cyberiad_ and _Memoirs Found In a Bathtub_
10 - Still other works include _Tales of Pirx the Pilot_ adn _Solaris_
5 - He is a Polish science fiction writer
        Answer: Stanislaw _Lem_

10. Since the year 1000, three different times there have been three kings of England in one year. Given the three kings, give the year exactly for 10; if within 5 years on either side, for 5.
1. Ethelred the Unready, Edmund Ironside, Canute
            Answer: √1016_ (5 for 1011-1021)
2. Edward IV, Edward V, Richard III
            Answer: √1483_ (5 for 1478-1488)
3. George V, Edward VIII, George VI
            Answer: _1936_ (5 for 1931-1941)

11. In the world of collectible paperbacks, certain authors' works are worth much more than others. Given a valuable work by an author, plus other works on occasion, identify them, for 5 points each.
1. His _Rumble_ is worth $250 in the original paperback edition; he also wrote _Medea's World_.
            Answer: Harlan _Ellison_ X
2. His _Heed the Thunder_ is worth $300 in the original paperback edition; he also wrote _The Grifters_.
            Answer: Jim _Thompson_ √
3. His _The Dying Earth_ is worth $250 in the original paperback edition.
            Answer: Jack _Vance_ X
4. His _Someone is Bleeding_ is worth $250 in the original paperback edition; he also wrote _I Am Legend_.
            Answer: Richard _Matheson_ X
5. His _Junkie_, written as part of an Ace Double Novel under the name William Lee, is worth $250.
            Answer: William _Burroughs_ √
6. His _Haunted Hotel and 25 Other Ghost Stories_ in the original Avon paperback edition is worth $100; he also wrote _The Woman in White_
            Answer: Wilkie _Collins_ √

12. Identify these men active in the development of non-Euclidean geometry, for 10 points each.
1. Born in 1802, he once fought swordfights with 13 men in a row, playing the violin between matches and winning them all. He also wrote an appendix to his father's book explaining his work with Euclid's parallel postulate. Name this Hungarian.
        Answer: Janos _Bolyai_
2. Born near Nizhni Novgorod, he twice saved the University of Kazan, once from a cholera epidemic and once from a fire. He was one of the first to consider the possibility of a geometry not using Euclid's fifth postulate, and developed a self-consistent in which the sum of the three angles of a triangle is less than or equal to 180 degrees. Name him.
        Answer: Nikolai _Lobachevsky_
3. This German developed a unique geometric system unlike that of Bolyai and Lobachevsky, but also rejecting Euclid's parallel postulate. His system, which holds on spherical objects, has triangles of greater than or equal to 180 degrees. Name him.
        Answer: Georg _Riemann_

13. Identify this composer from works 30-20-10
30 - Come Ye Sons of Art, Fantasias for Strings
20 - The Indian Queen, Hail Bright Cecelia
10 - Dido and Aeneas
        Answer: Henry _Purcell_

14. Answer the following questions about the legend of Gilgamesh, for the stated number of points.
1. For 5 - Who was the half-wild bull-man created to destroy Gilgamesh, but who became his fast friend
        Answer: _Enkidu_
2. For 10 - What was the name of the fire-breathing forest ogre hunted and slain by Gilgamesh and Enkidu
        Answer: _Humbaba_ (or _Huwawa_)
3. For 15 - What Noah-like figure, granted immortality by the gods, told Gilgamesh the story of the Flood, and also where to find a magic plant which could restore youth?
        Answer: _Utnapishtim_

15. Place these Jewish holidays in order, _in the Jewish year_, for 5 points each. The holidays are: Yom Kippur, Sukkoth, Hanukkah, Purim, Passover, Shavuot.
        Answer: Yom Kippur, Sukkoth, Hannukkah, Purim, Passover, Shavuot

16. Tell which of the Cavalier poets wrote each of the following works, for 5 points each.
1. "Ask Me No More Where Jove Bestows"
        Answer: Thomas _Carew_
2. "Delight In Disorder"
        Answer: Robert _Herrick_
3. "To Althea From Prison"
        Answer: Richard _Lovelace_
4. "Session of the Poets"
        Answer: John _Suckling_
5. "To the Virgins, To Make Much of Time"
        Answer: Robert _Herrick_
6. "To Lucasta, Going to the Wars"
        Answer: Richard _Lovelace_

17. Identify this man 30-20-10
30 - Early in his career, he worked on improved methods of lighting towns and for preparing saltpeter. He also investigated the composition of gypsum, and disproved the possibility of transmutation.
20 - He was active in blackballing Jean-Paul Marat from the French Academy of Sciences, after Marat submitted some worthless papers on the nature of fire.
10 - His wife was the daughter of a tax-collector, who he met at work.
        Answer: Antoine _Lavoisier_

18. For each of the following pairs of persons, tell whether they were contemporaries or not; that is, at any point in time were both alive, not did they ever meet or work together. There are 12 pairs below. For getting 3 right, you will receive 5 points, for 5, 10 points, for 7, 15 points, for 9, 20 points, for 11, 25 points, and for all 12, 30 points.
1. Thomas a Becket and Moses Maimonides
        Answer: Yes
2. Mohammed and Charles Martel
        Answer: No
3. Ignatius Loyola and Joan of Arc
        Answer: No
4. Solon and Zoroaster
        Answer: Yes
5. Jack London and Shirley Temple
        Answer: No
6. Horatio Nelson and Emanuel Swedenborg
        Answer: Yes
7. J. R. R. Tolkien and Jerry Stackhouse
        Answer: No
8. Giovanni Boccaccio and Edward II
        Answer: Yes
9. Pierre de Fermat and Gottfried Leibniz
        Answer: Yes
10. Alcibiades and Alexander the Great
        Answer: No
11. William Thackeray and Pablo Casals
        Answer: No
12. Ethelred the Unready and Leif Erikson
        Answer: Yes

19. Identify the authors of the following works of philosophy, for 5 points each.
1. _The Consolation of Philosophy_
        Answer: _Boethius_
2. _Stages on Life's Way_
        Answer: _Soren _Kierkegaard_
3. _Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics_   Answer: Immanuel _Kant_
4. _The Philosophy of Right_
        Answer: _Georg _Hegel_
5. _Sein und Zeit_
        Answer: Martin _Heidegger_
6. _Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion_   Answer: David _Hume_

20. Name the winner of the Nobel Prize in Physics given the year for 10, or given what they did for 5.
1. For 10 - 1910   For 5 - His equation accounted for the fact that molecules are of finite size and experience weak forces of mutual attraction.
        Answer: J. D. _van der Waals_
2. For 10 - 1960   For 5 - Invented the bubble chamber
        Answer: D. A. _Glaser_
3. For 10 - 1935   For 5 - Discovered the neutron
        Answer: James _Chadwick_