

Harvard University: Second Annual T-Party

ROUND 4

Questions by Boston University Big Bright Green Pleasure Machine

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[note: This pack contains a VISUAL BONUS -- Bonus #1]

1)

His compositions are heard in many movies- "Howard's End" features portions of one, and "Die Hard" contains the fourth movement of a symphony of his. His music figures into the plot of "A Clockwork Orange." One of his most famous piano sonatas is heard in "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown. FTP name Schroeder's favorite composer.

A: Ludwig van BEETHOVEN

2)

Mustapha Kemal is elected president of Turkey, and 120,000 die in an earthquake in Tokyo and Yokohama. Millikan wins the Nobel Physics Prize for his work on the elementary electric charge, and Yeats takes the Nobel for Literature. President Harding dies, and the Beer Hall Putsch falls through. FTP, these events took place in what year?

A: 1923

3)

This author, born in Providence in 1890, lent new meaning to the term "American Gothic". Most of his stories are set in New England and feature protagonists who encounter cosmic horrors only to discover the insignificance of humankind in the grand scheme. FTP name this creator of Cthulu and author of "The Shadow Out of Time," and "The Thing on the Doorstep."

A: H.P. LOVECRAFT

4)

He recently broke with the EU Commission, saying that the target startup date of 1999 for the European Monetary Union was too early, and that the strategy of enlarging to include Eastern European countries should be scrapped. FTP name this EU Commissioner for Transport, and former British MP once plagiarised by Joseph Biden.

A: Neil KINNOCK

5)

Like the 1954 Indians, this year's Cleveland team looked like a juggernaut heading into the postseason. The '95 Tribe was of course beaten in the World Series by the Atlanta Braves, but FTP who forced the Indians to settle for second best in 1954?

A: NEW YORK GIANTS

6)

Fog is a natural occurrence of it, although we often think of this word as referring to environmentally unfriendly things. But particles of liquid or

solid suspended in a gas don't necessarily threaten the ozone layer, unless they contain chlorofluorocarbons. FTP, name this term which evokes images of whipped cream and hairspray.

A: AEROSOL

7)

The name of this breed of originally Mediterranean chicken derives from a city in Italy, known in Italian as Livorno. The breed dominates US egg production. Ah say, ah say, FTP give the name of this breed, also the last name of the famous cartoon chicken Foghorn.

A: LEGHORN

8)

According to Vitruvius, it is the union of "firmness, commodity, and delight." Vitruvius is the author of the only surviving ancient treatise on this subject, which takes its name from the Greek for "master builder." FTP name this field whose practitioners include James Stirling, Aldo Rossi, Henry Cobb, Walter Gropius, Christopher Wren, and Frank Lloyd Wright.

A: ARCHITECTURE

9)

When an attempt on the life of Admiral Gaspard de Coligny failed, Catherine de Medicis persuaded King Charles IX to order the death of the Huguenot leaders. On the morning of August 24, 1572, the killing began, of over 3000 in Paris alone. FTP, give the name of this event which is not named after the canonized son of Montgomery Burns's most famous employee.

A: ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S DAY MASSACRE or MASSACRE OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S DAY

10)

Critics such as Johnson and Dryden originally applied this adjective pejoratively. Objects of their wrath included Henry Vaughn, Richard Crashaw, and George Herbert. FTP name this school of thought in poetry which is named for the branch of philosophy which deals with ultimate questions.

A: METAPHYSICAL

11)

Born in 1886 in Poland to a Zionist father, he emigrated to Palestine in 1906. Elected Chairman of the Zionist executive, when Britain later turned against his aims, he called upon Palestinian Jews to fight for independence. FTP name this man who, when that aim was achieved in 1948, and after Albert Einstein turned down the post, became Israel's first Prime Minister.

A: David BEN-GURION

12)

Gully... silly mid-off... point... mid-wicket... bowler... These are all positions in, FTP what bat-and-ball sport popular in former British colonies?

A: CRICKET

13)

Sick people go to jail, while criminals go to the hospital. Musical banks distribute money with spiritual value. The hero barely escapes to England, but decides to return as a missionary. All this is from, FTP what 1872 novel by Samuel Butler whose title is an anagram for "nowhere?"

A: EREWHON

14)

Thomas was a Scottish chemist, Otto was a pro football player and coach, George was a builder of astronomical instruments, Katherine owns the Washington Post, Martha was a dancer and choreographer, and Billy is an evangelist. FTP what's the name shared by these people and a famous cracker?

A: GRAHAM

15)

Its name is a Sioux word meaning "people of the South Wind," but its population density is less than half the national average. It is the 15th largest state by area, and was for a time, often prefixed with "Bleeding." FTP name this state which borders Colorado, Oklahoma, Nebraska, and Missouri.

A: KANSAS

16)

To obtain this element from ore deposits, stibnite is roasted in open air to produce senarmontite, whose oxygen is then removed by reduction with carbon. Present in tartar emetic, it is used in grids for lead storage batteries. Its name sounds like Kant's term for a certain type of paradox. FTP name this element whose symbol is derived from the Latin word "stibium."

A: ANTIMONY

17)

He took out newspaper ads two weekends ago, insisting he could prove the lawful origin of his wealth. He did this in response to being charged with forgery and illicit enrichment, in addition to the murder charges which have kept him in jail since February. He had ten days to produce this proof, under Mexican law. FTP name this brother of an ex-president of Mexico.

A: Raul SALINAS

18)

In 1910, he won a trophy for making the first flight in Australia. He was probably born in Hungary in 1874, but claimed to be from Wisconsin. He took his stage name from a 19th Century French conjuror, and upon his death in 1926, his wife attempted to communicate with his spirit. FTP name this magician born Ehrich Weiss.

A: Harry HOUDINI (Accept Ehrich WEISS on early buzz)

19)

When asked about his expensive tastes, he said "I may be President of the United States, but my private life is nobody's damned business." His wife died in 1880, so a sister served as first lady. Once working in Roscoe Conkling's political organization, he spent his 3 1/2 year presidency keeping Conkling at arm's length. FTP name this Vermonter and 21st president.

A: Chester Alan ARTHUR

20)

Richard is a playwright and founder of the Ontological-Hysteric Theater, and won recognition for his 1976 staging of "The Threepenny Opera." George won a Gold Medal in the 1968 Olympics for heavyweight boxing, and has five sons named "George." FTP give the common surname.

A: FOREMAN

21)

>From 1901 to 1906, she worked in Pittsburgh and Allegheny high schools, and was managing editor for McClure's magazine soon after. Her work "One of Ours" won the 1923 Pulitzer for fiction. FTP name this novelist and pioneer chronicler of the American West.

A: Willa CATHER

22)

COBOL is a high-level computer language that is the standard for all business data processing. FTP, what four words are abbreviated "COBOL?"

A: *Common Business Oriented Language*

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BU BIG BRIGHT GREEN PLEASURE MACHINE BONUSES

1)

(Hand out handouts) There are four individuals, labelled Numbers One through Four, on the sheet in front of you, photographed at the signing of the Bosnian peace accord. FTP each, identify any three of them by name and number.

A: Number 1 Slobodan MILOSEVIC
Number 2 Alija IZETBEGOVIC
Number 3 Franjo TUDJIMAN
Number 4 Warren CHRISTOPHER

2) (30)

According to the Old Testament, the Twelve Tribes of Israel were descended from the sons of this man by his two wives, for one of which he settled before he won the hand of the other. FTP each, name him and his wives.

A: JACOB, LEAH, RACHEL

3) (30)

This is a bonus on the marathon. First, FTP in what year was the first marathon road race run?

A: 1896

The first modern Olympics held a marathon to commemorate this man, who ran from Marathon to Athens in 490 BCE with the news of "victory," upon which he dropped dead. FTP name him.

A: PHEIDIPPEDES

The distance of the marathon has been standardized since 1924. FTP exactly, or five points within 300 yards, what is this distance?

A: 26 miles and 385 yards (F5P 26 miles and 85-685 yards)

4) (30)

30-20-10, who wrote the following:

30) The Constitution is the "fundamental and paramount law of the nation" and "a legislative act contrary to the Constitution is not law."

20) "It is emphatically the province and duty of the Judicial Department to say what the law is." These lines are all from the same 1803 source.

10) That source held that the 1789 Judiciary Act was unconstitutional.

A: John MARSHALL

5) (30)

Time for a conjunction bonus! FTP each, conjoin:

The creator of the character Dick Diver, and the name later taken by the man born Leslie Lynch King.

A: F. SCOTT FITZGERALD FORD

The author of "Illiberal Education" and a marching band instrument.

A: DINESH D'SOUZAPHONE

The rock band responsible for the 1995 hit "Kitty" and a famous sailboat.

A: THE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CUBED

6) (30)

FTP each, identify these Shakespeare title characters, from their descriptions by other characters.

First, who "doth bestride the narrow world like a colossus?"

A: JULIUS CAESAR

Who "was likely, had he been put on, to have proved most royally?"

A: HAMLET

Who was "of a free and open nature, that thinks men honest that but seem to be so?"

A: OTHELLO

7) (30)

30-20-10, identify the common surname.

30) In 1864, Frederick became president of Columbia University.

20) In 1916, Edward discovered the star bearing his name.

10) In 1967, Christiaan led the team which performed the first human heart transplant.

A: BARNARD

8) (30)

Each of the following passages comes from the lyrics of a title song from a heavy metal album recorded between 1970 and 1985. F5P each, identify the original band and song.

"Finished with my woman 'cause she couldn't help me with my mind
People think I'm insane because I am frowning all the time."

A: BLACK SABBATH, PARANOID

"...'cause in my dreams it's always there
Th'evil face that twists my mind and brings me to despair."

A: IRON MAIDEN, THE NUMBER OF THE BEAST

"Long ago, when man was king, his heart was clean; now he's (blank)

A: JUDAS PRIEST, STAINED CLASS

9) (30)

30-20-10, name the poem.

30 It is dedicated to someone the author considers "il miglior
fabbro," for "the better poet."

20) That "better poet" is Ezra Pound. The poem includes quotations from the
Upanishads.

10) It begins, "April is the cruellest month..."

A: THE WASTE LAND

10) (30)

FTP each, identify the philosophers from the original quotations.

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

A: VOLTAIRE or Francois-Marie AROUET

"Knowledge is power."

A: FRANCIS BACON

"Man is by nature a political animal."

A: ARISTOTLE

11) (30)

Long ago, there was Pangaea, the supercontinent containing all the Earth's
landmasses. Pangaea split into two smaller landmasses, with a large gulf
separating them. FTP each, identify these smaller supercontinents, and the
gulf.

A: LAURASIA, GONDWANALAND, TETHYS

12) (30)

FTP each, identify these individuals whose surnames begin with "Z."

This accuser died in 1902 from asphyxiation caused by fumes from a blocked chimney in the room where he was sleeping.

A: Emile ZOLA

This German mathematician's name is sometimes linked with the paradox or the set of sets which are not members of themselves, instead of Russell.

A: Ernst Friedrich Ferdinand ZERMELO

For his work with Natta on the polymerization of hydrocarbons and their organometallic catalysts, he won the 1963 Nobel for chemistry.

A: Karl ZIEGLER

13) (30)

The sport of fencing uses three types of weapon. FTP each, given a target zone, name the weapon whose scoring is limited to hits made in that zone.

*The body from the waist up. A: SABER

*The torso alone. A: FOIL

*The entire body. A: EPEE

14) (30)

FTP each, identify these European explorers.

He was the first to round the Cape of Good Hope, but turned back for fear of the weather.

A: Bartolomeu DIAS

In 1513 he was the first European to cross North America to the Pacific ocean.

A: Vasco Nunez de BALBOA

He explored the coast of South America, and in 1499, discovered the mouth of the Amazon River.

A: Amerigo *Vespucci*

15) (30)

Seven states have only one member in the House of Representatives. You'll earn ten points for the first three you can name, and five points for each you can name thereafter.

A: ALASKA, DELAWARE, MONTANA, N. DAKOTA, S. DAKOTA, VERMONT, WYOMING

16) (30)

30-20-10, artist from works.

30) "The Plain at Auvers-Sur-Oise," "Portrait of Pere Tanguy," "Schoolboy."

20) "The Cafe at Night," "Yellow Wheat," "The Asylum in Autumn."

10) "Moored Boats," "Wheat Field with Crows," "Sunflowers."

A: Vincent VAN GOGH

17) (30)

Major volcanic eruptions have a disturbing effect on global climate. The three most climatically disruptive of the last two centuries' volcanoes erupted in 1815 and 1883 in Indonesia, and in 1991 in the Philippines. FTP each, name these volcanoes.

A: TAMBORA, KRAKATOA, PINATUBO

18) (30)

FTP each, given the name of a country in its language, give its English name.

* Ellas (eh-LAHSS)

A: GREECE

* Nihon (NEE-hon)

A: JAPAN

* Suomen Tasavalta (SWO-men TAS-a-valta) A: FINLAND

19) (30)

FTP each, answer these questions about comets.

The shortest known orbital period for a comet is 3.3 years, for what comet named for a German astronomer?

A: ENCKE'S COMET

The most familiar comet, Halley's comet, has to the nearest whole year, how long an orbital period?

A: 76 years

Finally, this is the name of the band formed by, and named for, a former member of the rock group "Kiss."

A: FREHLEY'S COMET

20) (30)

FTP each, given the Greek-derived name of a phobia, tell what its sufferers fear.

* Cynophobia, spelled with a "cy." A: DOGS

* Parthenophobia A: GIRLS or literally VIRGINS

* Theophobia A: GODs

21) (30)

At the 1990 Academy Awards, this film took both Best Picture and Best Director. First, FTP name it.

A: DANCES WITH WOLVES

"Dances With Wolves" director Kevin Costner lost out on best actor that year to, FTP each, what actor from what film?

A: Jeremy IRONS, REVERSAL OF FORTUNE