

Boston University Shadrach Team Toss-Ups

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TOSSUP 1

It was first systematically studied by William Gowers in the nineteenth century. It affects approximately 0.5 percent of the world's population and is characterized by an intermittent disruption of brain function associated with a burst of abnormal brain electrical activity. For ten points, identify this disorder most identifiable with the petit mal and grand mal seizures patients suffer.

Answer: \_EPILEPSY\_

TOSSUP 2

She was born in Italy in 1850 and in 1880 founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart. She later came to New York City to work among the Italian immigrants there. By the time of her death she had become an American citizen and founded over 60 convents worldwide. For ten points, name this saint, the first American to be canonized.

Answer: Saint Frances Xavier (Mother) \_CABRINI\_

TOSSUP 3

The setting never changes. There are only 3 characters and they are stuck in a bizarre love-hate-triangle. The first woman loves the second woman and hates the man. The second woman loves the man and hates the first woman. The man hates them both. For ten points, name this Jean-Paul Sartre play.

Answer: \_NO EXIT\_ or \_HUIS CLOS\_ (we clow)

TOSSUP 4

The importance of this route reached its height during the Tang Dynasty in the seventh century AD. Despite its name, the road was also where gold, ivory, exotic animals and plants were traded. For ten points, name this road which passed through central Asia and linked the east to the west.

Answer: the \_SILK ROAD\_

TOSSUP 5

The origin of this word is disputed; possibly from the Arabic phrase "felag mangu" meaning fugitive peasant. It may also be from the Spanish word for Flemish or the Spanish word for flamingo. For ten points, identify this Andalusian gypsy-style dance, accompanied by the familiar hand-clapping, finger-snapping, and castanet-clacking of the dancer.

Answer: \_FLAMENCO\_

TOSSUP 6

He was offered 6 gallons of ice cream by one man and \$100 worth from another after he missed a perfect-attendance ice cream party at his school. This Lexington, North Carolina, boy was suspended for what school officials call "unwelcome touching." For ten points, name this 6-year-old boy suspended for kissing a classmate.

Answer: Johnathan \_PREVETTE\_

TOSSUP 7

This animal was unknown to science until 1912. It was discovered by an airman who landed on an island and saw a large creature eating goats and pigs and attacking horses. The animal can grow up to 12 feet long and weigh over 350 pounds. For ten points, name this largest lizard, native to Indonesia.

Answer: \_KOMODO DRAGON\_

TOSSUP 8

He held a number of posts in his lifetime -- minister, editor, member of Congress among them. He was considered the leader of the American Greek Revival and was the vice-presidential candidate on the Constitutional Union Party in 1860, but he may be best known for a lengthy speech he gave in 1863. For ten points, name the man whose speech preceded Abraham Lincoln's at Gettysburg.

Answer: Edward \_EVERETT\_

TOSSUP 9

The name means "positive energy" in Turkish. One was from Germany, the other from Guadeloupe. They sold 12 million albums world wide and were given the Grammy for best new artist of 1989, but they never sang a note. For ten points, give the collective name for Rob and Fab, the pop singing sham group.

Answer: \_MILLI VANILLI\_

TOSSUP 10

If you thought soccer in Miami during the Atlanta Olympics was a far away site, think twice. Some competitors in the 1956 Melbourne Summer Games had their venue extremely far away from the host city, Australia. Members of the equestrian event had to compete in, for ten points, what city over 10 thousand miles away, the site of the 1912 Summer Games?

Answer: \_STOCKHOLM\_, Sweden

TOSSUP 11

Boy is born to feminist nurse and a brain-damaged airman. Boy becomes writer, mom becomes writer. Boy marries reader. Mom is shot. Boy is shot by woman with no tongue. For ten points, this is the plot of what novel by John Irving.

Answer: \_THE WORLD ACCORDING TO GARP\_

TOSSUP 12

In communications it is the process in which some characteristic of a wave is made to vary in accordance with an information-bearing signal wave. In music it is a shift in the key center of a composition. For ten points, what is this 10-letter word that is essential for both the composition and broadcast of music on a radio?

Answer: MODULATION

TOSSUP 13

Ellis Island is probably the best-known of the immigrant reception centers, but it didn't open until 1892. Starting in 1855, immigrants arriving on the east coast were processed at a site on the southern tip of Manhattan. For ten points, name this depot.

Answer: CASTLE GARDEN

TOSSUP 14

This American composer and lyricist wrote lyrics for Julie Styne's "Gypsy," and for self-productions like "Sweeney Todd" and "Company." For ten points, identify this sophisticated musician who wrote the lyrics to Bernstein's "West Side Story."

Answer: Stephen SONDHEIM

TOSSUP 15

This word comes from the Ojibwa Indian language. It means any plant, animal, or object with which a group has a ritual attitude. The classic example is when a specific clan identifies with an animal and will not eat that animal. Northwest Coast Indians often used them in stacks as symbols to mark land ownership or as monuments to the dead. For ten points, name this word.

Answer: TOTEM

TOSSUP 16

Members of this country's armed forces called it "The Great Easter Egg Hunt" when, on April 9, 1996, they were ordered to put aside all non-essential duties to help search for documents relating to the murder of a Somali in custody 3 years ago, and the subsequent coverup of the scandal. FTP name this nation that used to pride itself on its peacekeeping forces, which were initiated by former UN ambassador and prime minister Lester Pearson.

Answer: CANADA

TOSSUP 17

It wasn't until 1977 that Toni Morrison gained widespread acclaim, seven years after her first novel. That novel tells the story of a young black girl from a dysfunctional family who wishes for a certain trait she thinks will bring happiness. But she finds no happiness, only incest and madness. For ten points, name this 1970 Morrison work.

Answer: THE BLUEST EYE

TOSSUP 18

Florida investigators were hoping Ottis Elwood Toole made a deathbed confession concerning a 15-year-old case when he recently died in jail. Toole once admitted to committing a 1981 abduction and murder in which a 6-year-old boy was taken from a department store and killed. Toole later recanted his story concerning the crime. For ten points, give the last name of the boy, whose father went on to host America's Most Wanted.

Answer: WALSH (accept ADAM WALSH)

TOSSUP 19

The mayor of Nice (NEES), France, banned a billboard advertisement portraying a black horse and a white horse mating. For ten points, name the company whose controversial advertising includes a nun and a priest kissing and a white baby being breast-fed by a black woman.

Answer: BENETTON

TOSSUP 20

Despite playing to sell-out crowds, this team's losses widened from \$16.1 million to \$25.5 million this year. This prompted billionaire H. Wayne Huizenga's (HI-singa) plans to sell half his stake in, for ten points, what NHL team?

Answer: FLORIDA PANTHERS

TOSSUP 21

Heard, McDonald, Norfolk, Ashmore, Cartier, Cocos, Christmas, and Coral Sea Islands are all, for ten points, external possessions of what island country?

Answer: Australia

TOSSUP 22

The flag raised by U.S. Marines on a mountain in the south of Iwo Jima on February 23, 1945 was too small to be seen by other American troops on the island, so they had to replace it with a larger one. This event took place, FTP, on what extinct volcano?

Answer: Mount SURIBACHI

TOSSUP 23

Paper and pencils ready. A small bird weighing 500 grams has a heart attack and falls from the sky. For ten points, assuming no air resistance and to the nearest whole number, what is the force in Newtons which acts on the dead bird before it hits the ground?

Answer: 5 Newtons

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### BONUS 1

Let's see how much you know about wars of the 17th century.  
For ten points each, given a short description, name the war.

1) A power struggle between colonists and Indians began in 1675 with the execution of three Wampanoags for the murder of a European.

Answer: \_KING PHILIP\_'s War

2) Two wars between Charles I and Scotland caused by Charles I's unpopular policies toward the Scottish kirk, it ended in 1640.

Answer: \_BISHOP'S\_ wars

3) War between Louis XIV (14th) and the European Alliance over the balance of power between Bourbon and Hapsburg dynasties. It was the precursor to the War of Spanish Succession. It ended in 1697.

Answer: War of the \_LEAGUE OF AUGSBURG\_

### BONUS 2 (AUDIO)

You'll hear three excerpts from Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf.

Given each excerpt, name the character represented for 5 points and the musical instrument for 5 points.

1. [=== PLAY TAPE ===]

*high volume setting*

Answers: \_DUCK\_  
\_OBOE\_

2. [=== PLAY TAPE ===]

*high volume*

Answers: \_CAT\_  
\_CLARINET\_

3. [=== PLAY TAPE ===]

*high*

Answers: \_GRANDFATHER\_  
\_BASSOON\_

### BONUS 3

Doesn't everyone love cartoons? I know I do, especially some of the original cartoons from Nickelodeon. For 5 points each, name the first five of these Nick-toons.

Answer: \_RUGRATS\_, \_DOUG\_, \_REN AND STIMPY\_, \_ROCKO'S MODERN WORLD\_, \_AAA! REAL MONSTERS\_

Now that Doug has moved to network television, there's a new toon on the block. For 5 points, name it.

Answer: \_HEY ARNOLD!\_

### BONUS 4

30-20-10 Name the writer

30) She was nominated for an Academy Award for her collaboration on the screenplay for "A Star is Born" in 1937, but later was blackballed in Hollywood for her active role in left-wing politics.

20) She was discharged from Vanity Fair in 1920 due to the extreme harshness of her drama reviews. Nine years later she won the O. Henry award for the best short story of the year with "Big Blonde."

10) Well-known for her wit, upon hearing of the death of the taciturn Calvin Coolidge, she asked, "How can they tell?."

Answer: Dorothy \_PARKER\_

BONUS 5

Amino acids are the basic structural units of proteins. For 10 points each, answer the following questions about amino acids and proteins.

1) What is the simplest amino acid, which has a hydrogen as the R-group?

Answer: \_GLYCINE\_

2) The alpha-carboxyl group of one amino acid is joined to the alpha-amino group of another amino acid by what kind of bond?

Answer: \_PEPTIDE\_ bond (prompt on AMIDE bond)

3) Some proteins contain these types of bonds which are formed by the oxidation of cysteine residues.

Answer: \_DISULFIDE\_ bond

BONUS 6

One was the youngest to graduate from the University of Michigan and fantasized of being a master criminal. The other was the youngest to graduate from the University of Chicago and was obsessed with Nietzsche's "superman" theory. Together they committed a gruesome murder with no apparent motive other than intellectual thrill. For 10 points name these two men.

Answer: Nathan \_LEOPOLD\_ and Richard \_LOEB\_

For an additional 10 points, name their victim. He was a distant relative of Loeb whose body was found in a drainpipe less than 24 hours after the murder.

Answer: Bobby \_FRANKS\_

Last, name the attorney who defended Leopold and Loeb in their trial.

Answer: Clarence \_DARROW\_

BONUS 7

Now that the Virginia Military Institute has decided to allow women, there are only three all-male colleges left in the U.S. For 10 points each, given the state, name its all-male college.



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1. Virginia

Answer: \_HAMPDEN SYDNEY\_ College

2. Indiana

Answer: \_WABASH\_ College

3. Georgia

Answer: \_MOREHOUSE\_ College

[Verified at: <http://cator.hsc.edu/mens.college/pro/georgeb.html>]

BONUS 8

30-20-10 name the city

30) First settled by the Gauls around 600 BC at the foot of the Alps, this city is strategically located on vital trade routes between Europe and Southern Italy. Later it became the capital of a Celtic tribe known as the Insubres

20) In 222 BC, the Romans captured Mediolanum, as it was then called. By the year 300 AD it was the residence and administrative center for one of two Emperors of the Western Empire. Constantine the Great declared it the seat of the Vicar of Italy.

10) It is home to the Basilica of Saint Ambrogio, Il Duomo, and La Scala.

Answer: \_MILAN\_, Italy

BONUS 9

It is widely considered the best of the early documentary films. Released in 1922, it reveals the characteristic events in the life of one Eskimo and his family. For ten points each, name the film and the film maker who produced it.

Answer: \_NANOOK OF THE NORTH\_, Robert \_FLAHERTY\_

In the documentary "Unzipped," we see scenes of this fashion designer watching "Nanook of the North." He uses the film as an inspiration for the collection he is working on. For ten points name him.

Answer: Isaac \_MIZRAHI\_

BONUS 10

Name the mythical beasts for ten points each.

1) This monster had the head and wings of an eagle and the body of a lion.

Answer: \_GRYPHON\_

2) A purely heraldic beast, this creature is a 2-legged dragon whose rear quarters are those of a serpent with a barbed tail.

Answer: \_WYVEM\_ or \_WYVERN\_

3) One version of a Norse mythological tale has droppings from

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the melting rivers taking the form of this primordial cow, who later licks the salty ice into the form of the first man.

Answer: \_AUDUMBLA\_

BONUS 11

Are you afraid of this bonus? Maybe you should be. For ten points each, given a phobia, identify the source of it.

1) triskaidekaphobia

Answer: the number \_13\_

2) dermatophobia

Answer: \_SKIN\_

3) peniaphobia

Answer: \_POVERTY\_ (accept equivalents)

BONUS 12

Answer these questions about Pulitzer Prizes in Fiction FTPE.

1) Booth Tarkington won in 1919 for The Magnificent Ambersons. But he won again in 1922 for what novel?

Answer: \_ALICE ADAMS\_

2) This 1975 winner by Michael Shaara was the basis for the epic film Gettysburg.

Answer: The \_KILLER ANGELS\_

3) Margaret Mitchell's only major work, Gone With the Wind, won the award in what year?

Answer: \_1937\_

BONUS 13

In a game on September 27th, the Baltimore Orioles second baseman spat in the face of the home plate umpire. For ten points each, name the player, the umpire, and the team the Orioles beat that night.

A: \_R\_oberto \_ALOMAR\_, \_J\_ohn \_HIRCSHBECK\_, \_TORONTO\_ or \_BLUE JAYS\_

BONUS 14

30-20-10 name the man.

30) He wrote 1970's \_Decent and Indecent: Our Personal and Political Behavior\_.

20) He was tried for conspiring to subvert the draft law during the Vietnam era and participated in anti-nuclear campaigns.



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10) He is best known for his 1946 book on child rearing.

Answer: DR. BENJAMIN \_SPOCK\_

BONUS 15

FTP each, answer these questions about recent happenings with Ben and Jerry's ice cream.

1. He officially resigned last month after spending 19 months as the president and chief executive of Ben and Jerry's. FTP name him.

Answer: Robert \_HOLLAND\_ Junior

2. The latest Ben and Jerry's flavor is a combination of vanilla ice cream, strawberries, and chocolate-covered shortbread. It was the winner of the Great Britain Flavour Competition. FTP give its name, which rhymes with the title of a patriotic English song.

Answer: \_COOL BRITANNIA\_

3. Ben and Jerry's sorbet combination of raspberries, blueberries, and blackberries is named for a comic strip. For ten points, name it.

Answer: \_DOONESBERRY\_

BONUS 16

For ten points each, name the god or goddess of love in each mythology given.

1) Egyptian

Answer: \_HATHOR\_

2) Norse

Answer: \_FRIGG\_ or \_FRIIA\_

3) Celtic

Answer: \_BRANWEN\_

BONUS 17

30-20-10 Name the poet from the excerpts

30) The force that through the green fuse  
drives the flower  
Drives my green age; that blasts the  
roots of trees  
Is my destroyer.

20) And the sabbath rang slowly  
In the pebbles of the holy streams.

10) Do not go gentle into that good night;  
Old age should burn and rave at close  
of day.

Answer: Dylan \_THOMAS\_

BONUS 18

In a surprising move, a cult leader in Japan last Friday finally claimed responsibility for the sarin gas attack in the Tokyo subway in 1995. For ten points each, name this self-styled messiah and his cult.

Answers: Shoko \_ASAHARA\_ (or Chizuo \_MATSUMOTO\_)  
and \_AUM SHINRIKYO\_ (or \_AUM SUPREME TRUTH\_ or equivalent)

Asahara claimed responsibility during courtroom questioning of what "enforcer" for Aum Shinrikyo, who shares his last name with the senior U.S. Senator from Hawaii?

Answer: Yoshihiro \_INOUE\_ (or \_INOUE\_)

BONUS 19

30-20-10 name the year.

30) Spanish ruler Francisco Franco dies and King Juan Carlos becomes head of state.

20) The Khmer Rouge seize power in Cambodia.

10) The Vietnam War ends as Saigon falls.

Answer: \_1975\_

BONUS 20

For ten points each, given the original name of an actor, give me their stage name.

1) Betty Joan Perske

Answer: \_LAUREN BACALL\_

2) Issur Danielovitch

Answer: \_KIRK DOUGLAS\_

3) Michael Douglas

Answer: \_MICHAEL KEATON\_

BONUS 21

For the property of radioactivity described, give the corresponding unit after the description for 15 or after the abbreviation for 5.

for 15) The activity of a radioactive source in decays per second.  
for 5) Bq

Answer: \_BEQUERELS\_

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for 15) The energy deposited in an object by the radiation.  
for 5) Gy

Answer: \_GRAY\_

### BONUS 22

Have you ever heard of the city of Intercourse or the Jonny Appleseed Festival. They're both in Pennsylvania. OK, that was your warm-up, so given the odd town names and event or place, name the state they are found in for ten points each.

1) The towns of Fingerville, Coward, and Due West. Home of the Chitlin Strut and Hell Hole Swamp Festival Days.

Answer: \_SOUTH CAROLINA\_

2) The towns of Butman, Hell, and Climax. Home of the Norwegian Pumpkin Rolling Festival and the Henry Ford Museum.

Answer: \_MICHIGAN\_

3) The towns of Cool, Rough and Ready, and Scarface. Home of the Barbie Doll Hall of Fame.

Answer: \_CALIFORNIA\_

### BONUS 23

Born in 1934 in northern Ontario in a time when multiple births were not so common, the Dionne quintuplets quickly became a tourist attraction. For 5 points each and a five point bonus for all 5 correct, name the Dionne quints.

Answer: \_EMILIE\_, \_MARIE\_, \_YVONNE\_, \_CECILE\_, \_ANNETTE\_

### BONUS 24

Given a list of countries, identify the common currency name, 10 points each.

1) Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Nepal, India

Answer: \_RUPEE\_

2) Sudan, Jordan, Libya

Answer: \_DINAR\_

3) Zimbabwe, Namibia, Brunei, Guyana, Fiji

Answer: \_DOLLAR\_

### BONUS 25

For 5 points each, name the 6 African countries that are crossed by the Equator.

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Answer: \_GABON\_, \_CONGO\_, \_ZAIRE\_, \_UGANDA\_, \_KENYA\_,  
\_SOMALIA\_