Tossups for 1996 Wahoo War of the Minds Round 2

1. During the war, he attained the rank of captain and served in New York City under Major Knowles. He made use of his previous profession in September 1776 to spy on the British while disguised as a schoolmaster. He was caught on September 21, 1776 before he was able to escape. FTP, name this man, hanged for espionage whose purported last words were "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country."

Answer: Nathan Hale

- 2. The son of a tax official in La Ferte-Milon, he was educated at the Jansenist convent at Port Royal. The Jansenist philosophy influenced much of his later writings. His first play, "The Thebiad" was performed by Moliere's company, but his second play, "Alexandre," and subsequent plays were performed at the rival Hotel de Bourgogne. FTP, name this author who used heroes and heroines from antiquity in such works as "Bajazet," "Phedra," and "Andromaque."

 Answer: Jean Baptiste Racine
- 3. Defined as a sigma additive function from a sigma algebra to the non-negative, extended real numbers, it is very important in the rigorous study of probability. The most common forms are generalizations of the usual concepts of length, area, or volume, though the theory of these objects is equally applicable to event spaces. FTP, name this mathematical object whose types include Cantor, Haar, Counting, and Lebesgue and when used as a verb, describes what one might do with a ruler.

Answer: Measure

4. He titled his autobiography <u>Comentarii</u> and was the teacher of Donatello. Born Lorenzo di Bartolo in Florence, he trained as a goldsmith. His first major commission was the second set of baptistry doors at the Duomo in Florence, each door consisting of fourteen quatrefoil Biblical scenes. FTP, names this artist whose third set of doors in the Duomo were nicknamed "The Gates of Paradise" by Michelangelo.

Answer: Lorenzo Ghiberti

5. Often identified as Ahasuerus of the Book of Esther, this man's military was estimated by Herodotus at 2,641,610 warriors. Killed at Persepolis by the captain of the palace guard, Artabanus, he had been responsible for the burning of Athens in 480 BC in revenge for the battle of Marathon. He abdicated his throne later that year after a defeat at Salamis. FTP, name this Persian ruler, the grandson of Cyrus the Great and son of Darius I.

Answer: Xerxes I

6. Three young revelers are determined to slay Death. Searching for Death, they run across an old man who leads them to a pile of gold. Sending the youngest back to town for food and drink, the remaining two plot to slay him. When he returns, they kill him, only to find that he has poisoned the wine. FTP, name this Canterbury Tale told by the seller of fraudulent holy relics.

Answer: Pardoner's Tale

7. Their name was introduced by Ernst Haeckel as a subgroup of his proposed kingdom Protista. Characterized by having genes which are ringlike strands not enclosed in a membrane, there is fossil evidence that these prokaryotic cells have existed for over a billion years, sometimes symbiotically with eukaryotic cells. FTP, name this classification whose sub-types include spirochetes, myxobacteria, true bacteria, and blue-green algae.

Answer: Monera

8. This field is defined as the scientific use of medical and paramedical specialties in investigating the causes of a person's death, injury or disease. Originally, the term was used exclusively in the determination of whether or not a person's death was a suicide. FTP, name this branch of medicine which includes coroners and medical examiners.

Answer: Forensics

9. The name's the same. One was a ruler of France who went on the Third Crusade with Richard I. Another ruled Macedonia and conquered the Thracian town of Crenides, which now bears his name. Yet another was a Spanish king who banned Protestantism in the Netherlands and sent the Spanish Armada. FTP, give the common name and number of the victor at the battle of Bouvines, the husband of Mary Tudor, and the father of Alexander the Great.

Answer: Philip II

10. Although she is recognized as the steals leader in NCAA history, she is only second on her school's career steal list, behind Donna Holt. She has been featured in two different ad campaigns this year, one for Nike and the other for State Farm/USA basketball, whose slogan is "Women won't be living down the lane this year, they'll be driving down it." FTP, name this basketball star, a two-time National Player of the Year as point guard at the University of Virginia.

Answer: Dawn Staley

11. Led by Jose Basulto, this group has recently been in the news in association with Cessna 337 Skymasters. Their most hated list includes Cuban foreign minister Roberto Robaina and MIG-29 pilot Lt. Col. Francisco Perez. FTP, name this Florida based group which searches for Cuban refugees, two of which were shot down in 1996.

Answer: Brothers to the Rescue

12. Eventually simply called Bel, meaning "Lord," he was a god of thunderstorms, though he became acknowledged as the creator of the universe, god of light and life. According to the creation myth "Enuma Elish," he defeated the dragons of chaos, Kingu and Tiamat. FTP, name this supreme god of the Babylonian pantheon.

Answer: Marduk

13. With a delta of desolate swamps and marshes, this river has over 300 tributaries including the Lech, Inn, and Drava. A central route of early European commerce, some of the cities on its banks include Regensburg, Passau, Galati, and Braila. The recent construction of the Gabcikovo dam has changed its course in Slovakia, and caused some tension between Slovakia and Hungary. FTP, name this second longest European river, famed for its beauty.

14. He once worked for Western Union as an employment manager. Later in life, he settled in Big Sur, where he wrote his autobiographical trilogy, <u>The Rosy Crucifixion</u>, consisting of the volumes <u>Sexus</u>, <u>Plexus</u>, and <u>Nexus</u>. But his best-known works arise from his stay in France during the 1930's. FTP, name this author of <u>The Cosmological Eye</u>, <u>The Tropic of Capricorn</u>, and <u>The Tropic of Cancer</u>.

Answer: Henry Miller

Answer: Danube River

15. Named after the inventor of the Quaternions, this physical quantity is usually denoted by the letter H. When written as a function of position and momentum, the derivative with respect to momentum of this quantity is equal to the time derivative of the position. Often written as the Lagrangian plus twice the potential energy, it is equal to the total energy of the system. FTP, name this quantity, often the sum of the kinetic and potential energies.

Answer: Hamiltonian

16. An English literature student at Vassar who wrote poetry under the pseudonym Anne Singleton, she studied anthropology under Franz Boas. Working primarily among Native American tribes, she emphasized how little of the range of human culture and expression is in any one society. As a result, they develop unique cultural mindsets. FTP, name this author of The Chrysanthemum and the Sword, Zuni Mythology, and Patterns of Culture.

Answer: Ruth Benedict

17. Originally settled by the Hohokan Indians in 300 BC, the first European settlement in the area was the mission of San Xavier del Bac located next to a Papago Indian village. The resulting city was in the territory acquired by the United States in the Gadsden Purchase, and served as a territorial capital from 1867 to 1877. FTP, name this second-largest city in the state, the site of the University of Arizona.

Answer: Tucson

18. Born near Gatandu of Kikuyu and Masai descent, he was educated by the Church of Scotland. In the 1930's he studied anthropology at the University of London, where he produced a treatise on the impact of colonialism on Kikuyu life. Accused in 1952 of complicity in the Mau Mau uprising, he was imprisoned for nine years. FTP, name this man who became president of Kenya in 1964, a post held until his death in 1978.

Answer: Jomo Kenyatta

19. Born in Edinburgh in 1859, he received a medical degree in 1881 before writing the historical romances <u>Rodney Stone</u> and <u>Sir Nigel</u>. He also wrote the play "A Story of Waterloo" and the six volume <u>History of the British Campaign of France and Flanders</u>. His autobiography is titled <u>Memories and Adventures</u>. FTP, name this author, better known for <u>His Last Bow</u> and <u>The Sign of Four</u>.

Answer: Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

20. His first marked recognition came in 1873 for his cantata "Hymnus." His symphonic poems include "The Water Goblin" and "The Noon Witch" and his operas include "Armida" and "The Jacobin." The teacher of his eventual son-in-law Josef Suk, he also composed the opera "Rusalka." FTP, name this composer of Quartet in F and Symphony in E Minor, better known as the "American Quartet" and "From the New World."

Answer: Antonin Dvorak

Bonuses for 1996 Wahoo Round 2

- 1. Name the year, 30-20-10.
- 30: The Mormons split into polygonous and monogamous sections and the Indian National Congress is formed.
- 20: Belgium acquires the Congo and the Mahdi conquers Khartoum.
- 10: Grover Cleveland begins his first term as President.

Answer: 1885

- 2. Name these authors from works on a 10-5 basis.
- 1. 10: Filostrato

5: Decameron

Answer: Giovanni Boccaccio

2. 10: The Charterhouse of Parma

5: The Red and the Black

Answer: Henri Stendahl (Marie-Henri Beyle)

3. 10: Sir Charles Grandison

5: Pamela

Answer: Samuel Richardson

- 3. Identify the following mathematical terms for 10 points each.
- 1. It is the term for a polynomial which can not be factored. It also describes a group with no nontrivial subgroups.

Answer: Irreducible

2. It is the term for a polynomial which has no repeated roots. It also refers to a Hilbert space with a countable orthonormal basis.

Answer: Separable

3. It the term for a proper subgroup which is closed under conjugation. In geometry, it is a synonym for perpendicular.

Answer: Normal

4. Identify the artist from works FTP each.

1. "The Voyage of Life," a four painting cycle

2. "Kindred Spirits" and "Old Oak"

3. "Hackensack Meadows" and "Delaware Valley"

Answer: Thomas Cole

Answer: Asher B. Durand

Answer: George Inness

5. Given a player projected as a top-10 pick in the 1996 NFL draft, name his college for 5 points each.

1. Linebacker Kevin Hardy

Answer: Illinois

2. Defensive lineman Regan Upshaw

Answer: California -

Defensive end Tony Brackens
 Running back Leeland McElroy

Answer: <u>Texas</u> ~ Answer: <u>Texas A&M</u> ¹

5. Wide receiver Terry Glenn

Answer: Ohio State -

6. Offensive lineman Jonathan Ogden

Answer: UCLA

- 6. Answer the following questions about Russian history for 10 points each.
- 1. He replaced Prime Minister Lvov during the July days of 1917.

Answer: Alexander Kerensky

2. Kerensky asked the Bolsheviks for help in defeating this general, who tried to move on Petrograd in September 1917 under the guise of restoring order.

Answer: Lavr Kornilov

3. Lenin used the fight against Kornilov to form this group of soldiers, which he uses against Kerensky roughly a month later.

Answer: Red Guard

- 7. The Canterbury Tales and the Decameron are not the only major works consisting of characters telling tales over a period of days.
- 1. For 5 points, name this French work which took place over seven days which was very moralistic, with themes including society manners, ideal love, and the sanctity of marriage.

Answer: The Heptameron

2. For 10 points, who wrote the Heptameron?

Answer: Marguerite de Navarre

3. For 15 points, name the character which acts as the author's voice within the work.

Answer: Parlamente

8. Given a scientific designation for a star, give its common name FTP apiece.

1. Alpha Lyrae

Answer: Vega

2. Beta Orionis

Answer: Rigel

3. Alpha Scorpii

Answer: Antares

9. Given a figure from Greek mythology, name both parents FTP (all-or-nothing) apiece.

1. Demeter

Answer: Chronos and Rhea

Pollux
 Hermes

Answer: Zeus and Leda Answer: Zeus and Maia

10. Name the composer from works, 30-20-10.

30: Concerto for Three Harpsichords in D Minor, S. 1063

20: The Oratorio "St. John Passion"

10: Brandenburg Concerti

Answer: Johann Sebastian Bach

11. Given an English ruler, give his or her house, for 5 points each.

1. Stephen

Answer: Blois

2. Edward I

Answer: Plantagenet

3. Mary I

Answer: Tudor

4. Anne

Answer: Stuart

5. Victoria

Answer: Hanover

6. Edward VII

Answer: Saxe-Coburg

12. Identify the poets from works, for 10 points each.

1. Bells and Pomegranates, The Ring and the Book

Answer: Robert Browning

2. Kubla Khan, Christabel

Answer: Samuel Coleridge Answer: Henry Longfellow

3. Voices and the Night, Divina Comedia

13. For the stated number of points, identify the following entries in Jennifer Aniston's resume.

1. 5: Jennifer was the heroine in this horror sequel starring Warwick Davis as a mean, green little dude.

Answer: Leprechaun II

2. 10: Jennifer starred in this short-lived NBC sitcom based on a hit film, also starring Ami Dolenz. Jennifer took over the role played by Jennifer Grey in the movie.

Answer: Ferris Bueller (do not accept Ferris Bueller's Day Off)

3. 15: Jennifer also starred in this short-lived FOX sketch show that also featured Wayne Knight, currently playing Newman on Seinfeld.

Answer: The Edge

14. For 10 points apiece, answer these questions about the Thirty Years' War.

1. The general for Ferdinand, king of Bohemia, he wreaked havoc on the Lutherans, was acknowledged ruler of Mecklenburg, and was defeated by Gustavus Adolphus at Lutzen.

Answer: Albrecht von Wallenstein

2. At this battle in 1620, Frederick of the Palatinate's army was crushed by Spanish forces moving from the Rhine and a Bohemian army.

Answer: White Mountain

3. This 1629 edict by Ferdinand ordered the return to Rome of all church lands seized in Protestant principalities since 1552.

Answer: Edict of Restitution

15. 30-20-10. Name the American figure.

- 30: After World War II, he served as administrator of veteran's affairs and the Army chief of staff.
- 20: Given command of the 12th Army on August 1, 1944, he stormed across France, liberated it, and established the Remagen bridgehead.
- 10: He served as the first chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and was the last American five-star general.

Answer: Omar Bradley

- 16. For the stated number of points, answer these questions about Gulliver's Travels.
- 1. 5: In his second voyage, Gulliver visits this land of giants.

Answer: Brobdingnag

2. 10: In his third voyage, Gulliver finds himself on this flying island populated by abstract philosophers.

Answer: Laputa

3. 15: This capital of Balnibarbi, the continent adjacent to Laputa, is home to the Academy of Projectors who spend their time in projects such as extracting sunlight from cucumbers.

Answer: Lagado

17. Given two logical variables, p and q, and the output condition, give the logical operator, for 10 points each.

1. True only when p and g are both false.

Answer: nor

2. True only when p and q differ.

Answer: xor

3. True only when p and q are both true.

Answer: and

18. Given the name of a chemical, give its chemical formula for 10 points each.

1. Sucrose

Answer: C12H22O11

2. Sodium hypochlorite

Answer: NaClO

3. Ferric nitrate

Answer: Fe2(NO3)3

19. Name the nation, 30-20-10.

30: A third of its land is covered by forest, including Braulio Carillo National Park.

20: Its provinces include Cantago, Alajuela, and Heredia.

10: Its capital is San Jose.

Answer: Costa Rica

20. Identify the philosopher from clues, 30-20-10.

30: His scientific writings include a treatise on earthquakes and a work which anticipated Laplace's nebular hypothesis.

20: In 1792, he was forbidden by Frederick William II to teach or write on religious subjects.

10: He wrote Perpetual Peace and the Metaphysics of Ethics.

Answer: Immanuel Kant