

Tossups for 1996 Wahoo War of the Minds Round 10

1. Seventy-five million years ago, Xenu, the leader of the Galactic Federation, solved an overpopulation problem on his home world by freezing the excess souls and bringing them to Teegeeeack. There, they were blown up with powerful hydrogen bombs, becoming "body thetans" in the process and cursed to haunt the world of Teegeeeack, now called Earth. Only through monetary contributions and special training can humans overcome these dead souls and thus become "operating thetans," or enlightened ones. No, this is not a science fiction book, but FTP, the history of what religion founded in 1958 by writer L. Ron Hubbard?

Answer: Scientology

2. The main concept that explains its existence is that of the inertial frame, a place where all objects move in straight lines with uniform velocities and the speed of light is always uniform. Still, this leads to the conclusion that two events may be simultaneous in one time but not in another. FTP, name this scientific theory, which approximates the curvature of space when comparing the relation between time, space, and the speed of light.

Answer: Special Relativity

3. The central character falls in love with Rosaline Commase, but when she rejects him to marry a wealthier man, he goes to France to serve as an officer in WWI. A semi-autobiographical work, it relates the tale of Amory Blaine, a handsome young man from the Midwest, who goes to Princeton and engages in empty, ambitious activities. FTP, name this 1920 work, the first novel from F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Answer: This Side of Paradise

4. Born into a family of low rank, this man rose through marriage and conquest to control Owari by the year 1560. In 1568, his troops seized Kyoto, and Ashikaga was established as shogun. In 1573, Ashikaga was removed so that this man could control central Honshu himself. Through repeated battles, he controlled most of the island by his death in 1582. FTP, name this great conqueror and first of the three unifiers of Japan.

Answer: Oda Nobunaga

5. From bottom to top it reads: Physiological, Safety, Social, Self-Actualization, Self-Esteem. Each human must completely satisfy the need on the bottom before the next higher level of human needs can be addressed. This blueprint accurately portrays the priority that people will give to different things. FTP, name this seminal 1953 theory in sociology which was conceived by Abraham Maslow.

Answer: Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs

6. In 1878, he shot himself in Marseille while on ship-leave to get out of a large debt, but the bullet missed its mark and he had to live the remainder of his life with the metal by his heart. He returned to his ship where for the next sixteen years he would explore exotic locals of the British Empire such as Australia, Cyprus, and the Congo River. These inspired his later writing, and he used them in such works as Typhoon, An Outcast of the Islands, and Nigger of the Narcissus. FTP, name this man, whom you might know from his Congo-inspired work Heart of Darkness.

Answer: Joseph Conrad

7. Neither volcanic nor metamorphic, they are coarse-grained deep underground. They include the granitic masses of major mountain ranges, such as the Rockies, Alps, and Himalaya. FTP, name this rock class, named for the Roman god of the infernal regions.

Answer: Plutonic rocks

8. He sought to portray people blending in to the interior space around them in such works as "Lace Maker" and "Woman with a Jug," as opposed to the other Dutch masters who portrayed people and actions. This painter made a stunning rendition of his hometown in "View of Delft," but this outdoor scene is less typical than most of his paintings which are set in well-lit interiors. FTP, name this artist, best known for "The Kitchen Maid," whose recent exhibit at the National Gallery of Art was one of the most popular ever.

Answer: Jan Vermeer

9. In 1860, this American led an expedition into Honduras, where he was executed. This was far worse luck than he had in 1856, when, with the assistance of Cornelius Vanderbilt, he won a great series of battles in Nicaragua. For one year, he served as its president, until he was forced by native unrest to turn himself over to the U.S. Navy to avoid capture. FTP, name this intrepid American conqueror.

Answer: William Walker

10. "The specific message is to the French in protest of the nuclear tests, and it is a protest against nuclear tests in general and nuclear armaments in general." So said this man, the British physicist who helped found Pugwash, an anti-nuclear group, in the 1950's. FTP, name this anti-nuclear activist who recently won the 1995 Nobel peace prize

Answer: Joseph Rotblat

11. The two most successful applications for this new science are in interferometry, the study of deformations in objects, and in the storage of digital data, using bright and dark spots to record information. On a more commercial level, this science has found applications in baseball cards, magic tricks, credit cards, and drivers' licenses. FTP, name this method, developed by Dennis Gabor, of reproducing the image of a three-dimensional object.

Answer: Holography (accept holograms)

12. In 1659, he eulogized Oliver Cromwell in the Heroick Stanzas, and then celebrated Charles II in Astraea Redux. In 1682, he defended Anglicanism in Religio Laici, and then defended Catholicism in The Hind and the Panther. FTP, name this bandwagon-jumping English poet of the Restoration who is best known today for his "Annus Mirabilis."

Answer: John Dryden

13. His career took off rapidly in the war against Jugurtha when he served as consul in Africa in 104 BC, but insultingly, Jugurtha was captured by the quaestor Sulla. Later, he gained more fame by defeating the Teutones in 102 and the Cimbri in 101, serving as consul for a then-record seven years. In his later years, his rivalry with Sulla turned Rome to Civil War, culminating with Sulla's march on Rome in 88 BC. FTP, name this hero of the Roman republic who gained fame for succeeding without an aristocratic birth.

Answer: Gaius Marius

14. This franchise won the first NBA championship in 1946-47. Since that time, the team has moved once, though it has changed its name twice. Wilt Chamberlain spent six years here, and it was with this franchise that he scored 100 points. FTP, name this 1975 NBA champion, currently coached by Rick Adelman.

Answer: (Philadelphia-Golden State) Warriors

15. The first version of this novel was written around 1843, although the story line had appeared as early as 1838 in the autobiographical Memoires d'un fou. The plot is largely based on the author's own passion for Elisa Schlesinger. Set against the turmoil of the Revolution of 1848, it purports to tell "the moral history" of the author's generation through the story of the fickle and irresolute Frederic Moreau. FTP, name this Flaubert novel, which preceded Bouvard and Pecuchet and followed Salammbô.

Answer: Sentimental Education

16. It was said that this rock song was composed while driving along a dusty road in northern Morocco, but due to the poor geographic knowledge and drugged-out state of the band, they thought they were in India. Still, sometimes it takes a sun shining upon your face for all to be revealed, and Morocco made Robert Plant feel like a traveller of both time and space. FTP, name this seminal rock masterpiece by Led Zeppelin, the first single off of "Physical Graffiti."

Answer: Kashmir

17. In 1856, this 18-year-old was trying to synthesize quinine from coal tar when he found that it produced a light purple color -- the first synthetic dye, which he named aniline purple. He founded an industry from that discovery and was a multi-millionaire by age 25. FTP, name this Englishman who later started the synthetic perfume industry as well.

Answer: William Henry Perkins

18. When he was just a boy, he accidentally tasted the salmon of Lynn Feic, which was the source of all-wisdom. This burnt his tongue, so he sucked his thumb, and subsequently this man became all-wise whenever he sucked his thumb. Other myths concerning this hero illustrate his pursuit of the lovers Diarmuid and Grainne, and his battles against the Fomor Giants with his son Ossian. FTP, name this legendary Irish hero, the main character of the Fenian Cycle.

Answer: Finn Mac Cool (accept Fionn Maccumhail)

19. This state entered the Union as the 39th state on November 2, 1889. It was explored by Lewis and Clark, but the first permanent colony here was not made until 1851 when Charles Cavaleer brought settlers to Pembina. The state university here is located in Grand Forks, with a technical branch at Bottineau. Theodore Roosevelt National Park is one of its main tourist attractions, as are the Turtle Mountains to the north, Fort Lincoln, the last base of George Custer, and the International Peace Garden. FTP, name this sparsely populated state, whose largest city is Fargo and whose capital is named after a German statesman.

Answer: North Dakota

20. Though the war started promisingly, the attackers were consistently impaired by the highly mobile ski troops used by the defenders. Started following the German invasion of Poland, this war resulted in the cession of Petsamo, and ice-free port on the Arctic Sea, to the Soviet Union, and the demilitarization of the Mannerheim Line. FTP, name this war, fought from November 1939 to March 1940, in which the Soviet Union aimed to take over Finland's Baltic possessions.

Answer: Winter War (Prompt on Russo-Finnish War)

Bonuses for 1996 Wahoo War of the Minds Round 10

1. For 10 points apiece, name these people or places which are somewhat related.

1. This British baronet set the record for the most unsuccessful attempts for the America's Cup, racing his yacht five times between 1899 and 1930.

Answer: Sir Thomas Lipton

2. This Indian city, located on the south edge of the Himalayas, affords an impressive view of Kanchenjunga and is today a resort town.

Answer: Darjeeling

3. This Canadian Governor General in 1909 began the practice of an annual rugby championship between the best collegiate teams of Canada.

Answer: Earl Grey

2. Computer terminals and televisions use a set of colors known as the primary additive colors, red, green, and blue, which are mixed together to form other colors. Their complements are the primary subtractive colors, which when removed from white form given colors. FTP each, name them.

Answer: Yellow, Cyan, Magenta

3. Many novels are so well written that they can be identified by their first lines. I would not, however, put any novels by Thomas Mann into this category. FTP apiece, given a plot from a Mann work, name the novel.

1. The intense career of a driven German composer parallels the rise and fall of Nazi Germany. Mann hypothesizes that the same violent inner drive can be responsible for both intense music and widespread evil.

Answer: Doktor Faustus

2. A German family staying at an Italian hotel watches a Tom Deluca-like show in which members of the audience are hypnotized and laughed at for their silly behavior. A waiter who is put under gets so angry that he pulls a gun on the hypnotist and shoots him.

Answer: Mario and the Magician

3. German family seems on the outside to be the very model of dignity, rationalism, and prosperity. But on the inside, the new generation has become decadent and art-loving. The family line falls apart by the end of the novel.

Answer: Buddenbrooks

4. Since sliced cheese was more interesting than the trench warfare of WWI, this bonus will test your knowledge of the naval technology of the war.

1. 5: Name the huge British battleship, launched in 1906, which featured forty powerful guns and set the pattern for the navies of WWI.

Answer: Dreadnought

2. 5: Name the German submarines of WWI which caused an incredible amount of damage against the allies during the war.

Answer: U-boat

3. 10: Name the German admiral who was the chief builder and commander for the German navy during the war.

Answer: Alfred von Tirpitz

4. 10: Name this commander in chief of the British Grand Fleet who commanded at Jutland and served as first sea-lord between 1914-17.

Answer: John Jellicoe

5. For 10 points apiece, given a description of a natural hallucinogen, name the drug.

1. Members of the Native American Church advocate the use of this drug, the only hallucinogen legal in the United States (only on reservations). This psychedelic fantasy-inducer is the main ingredient in the peyote plant.

Answer: Mescaline

2. This psychedelic agent, used for centuries in the Middle East, is obtained from the seeds of *Peganum harmala*. This drug brings about exhilaration, then nausea, then sleep.

Answer: Harmine

3. This mild hallucinogen may soon be legal in the state of Kentucky as a byproduct of making rope. This drug's effects are loss of time, lack of ambition, and an inclination to listen to the Grateful Dead.

Answer: Marijuana

6. Identify the composers from works on a 10-5 basis.

1. 10: A Survivor from Warsaw

5: Transfigured Night

Answer: Arnold Schoenberg

2. 10: From the Canyons to the Stars

5: Quartet for the End of Time

Answer: Olivier Messiaen

3. 10: Five Variants on Dives and Lazarus

5: Fantasia on Greensleeves

Answer: Ralph Vaughan Williams

7. Perhaps the most important battles in American history after the Revolution were those which opened the Northwest territory and made them free for the Americans to begin their irresistible westward push. Given a description of a battle, name that battle for 10 points apiece.

1. This 1794 battle near present-day Toledo ended two decades of border warfare against the Northwest Confederation. Mad Anthony Wayne was the victorious general for the Americans.

Answer: Battle of the Fallen Timbers

2. This 1811 American victory came in Indiana at the expense of the Shawnee led by Tecumseh and the Prophet.

Answer: Battle of Tippecanoe

3. This decisive 1812 victory over combined British and Tecumseh's men in Ontario, Canada, consolidated control of the Northwest for the U.S.

Answer: Battle of the Thames

8. Given a description of a freshman NCAA basketball star, name the player:

1. A star in high school in Southern California, this man currently stars at point guard for a very young Arkansas squad.

Answer: Kareem Reed

2. The MVP of the 1995 Capital Classic while playing for Canterbury High School in Washington, D.C., this freshman is lighting it up from behind the three point arc for the Michigan Wolverines.

Answer: Louis Bullock

3. This other guard out of McKinley Tech High School in Washington, D.C. has been starring opposite Allen Iverson as an off guard for the Georgetown Hoyas.

Answer: Victor Page

9. Identify the following radical French thinkers for 10 points each.

1. This French nobleman advocated a system where all property is owned by the state, while the worker shares it according to the amount and quality of his work. This philosophy is named after him.

Answer: Claude Henri de Saint-Simon

2. This Frenchman sought to apply the principles of observation and experimentation to philosophy, the social sciences, and religion. These tenets were main beliefs of Positivism.

Answer: Auguste Comte

3. This Frenchman, slightly mad, planned a society where economic activities would be divided into phalanxes, and each phalanx would receive a fair amount of products from the whole group.

Answer: Francois Marie Charles Fourier

10. On a 5-10-15 basis, answer these questions about space stations.

1. 5: Name the largest space station currently in orbit around the Earth.

Answer: Mir

2. 10: Name the space station, in orbit from 1982-86, that Mir replaced in 1986.

Answer: Salyut

3. 15: Name the U.S. astronaut who was aboard Mir from March to June 1995.

Answer: Norm Thagard

11. Name these masterworks of French Impressionism given a description of the painting, for 10 points if you get it off the description, 5 if you need the artist.

1. 10: A woman, with a flower in her left ear, lying nude on a bed. Two large pillows support her back; the woman's hand skillfully covers her delicacies.

5: Edouard Manet

Answer: Olympia

2. 10: Two solitary small boats are afloat in the harbor with larger boats in the background. The day is just beginning to break, and the sky is turning shades of orange and pink. The sun reflects on the rippling water.

5: Claude Monet

Answer: Impression: Sunrise

3. 10: Two American-dressed men are playing poker while a man in a cowboy hat smoking a corncob pipe stands behind them.

5: Paul Cezanne

Answer: The Card Players

12. Given a description of Charlottesville historical events, name the person concerned for 10 points each.

1. A sign on State Road 20 East shows the 1864 camp of what Union General who captured Charlottesville? This man was primarily a cavalry officer, and when he was appointed Brigadier General in 1862, he was the youngest man ever to hold that honor.

Answer: George Armstrong Custer

2. A sign at the corner of High Street and 6th street NW in downtown Charlottesville illustrates an oak tree, which served as the camp for what British General who invaded Charlottesville during the Revolutionary War? This man, in charge of light infantry troops, was known as the "Scourge of the Revolution"

Answer: Banastre Tarleton

3. The first governor of the Louisiana territory, he was manic depressive and committed suicide in 1809. In 1774, he was born in Ivy, a scant five miles from Charlottesville.

Answer: Meriwether Lewis

13. Identify the English dramatists on a 15-10 basis from works.

1. 15: A Mad World, My Masters and The Roaring Girl

10: The Changeling and Women, Beware Women

Answer: Thomas Middleton

2. 15: The Scourge of Villanie and The Metamorphosis of Pigmalion's Image

10: The Malcontent and The Dutch Courtesan

Answer: John Marston

14. In 1957 at the University of Illinois, three scientists made history by discovering that superconductivity could be attained in most conductors if you bring them down to a low enough temperature. This led to the importance of superconductors. FTP apiece, name the three scientists involved.

Answer: John Bardeen, Leon Cooper, John Schrieffer

15. For 10 points apiece, identify the following individuals involved in peasant revolts.

1. Claiming to be the deposed Tsar Peter III, this Cossack led a peasant rebellion in Russia from 1773 to 1775.

Answer: Yemelyan Pugachev

2. Captain of the Kentish rebels, he was the leader of the Peasants' Revolt of 1381 in England before his beheading.

Answer: Wat Tyler

3. A leading German radical of the Protestant Reformation and participant in the Peasants' Revolt of 1524-25, he led the forces of Muhlhausen into battle, but was captured and executed in 1525.

Answer: Thomas Muntzer

16. Identify the author from clues, 30-20-10.

30: The Circus in the Attic, and Band of Angels

20: At Heaven's Gate, and World Enough and Time

10: He was the U.S.'s first poet laureate.

Answer: Robert Penn Warren

17. 30-20-10, name the mathematician.

30: He was appointed by the Directory to be Minister of the Interior for three weeks in 1799, and later served as Vice President of the French Senate under Napoleon.

20: His most famous paper, the Theory of Attractions of Spheres and the Orbits of Planets, illustrated that the mean motion of moons around their planets depends on the mutual gravitational attraction.

10: In his Theory and Analysis of Probabilities, he introduced a transformation for finding the limits of integrals from zero to infinity.

Answer: Pierre Simon Laplace

18. Answer these questions about Toussaint L'Ouverture FTP each.

1. In 1794, this man joined L'Ouverture's guerrilla army in Hispaniola. After L'Ouverture died in 1803, this man became emperor of the island between 1804 and 1806, renaming it Haiti.

Answer: Jean-Jacques Dessalines

2. This man, who also served in L'Ouverture's army, founded a kingdom in northern Haiti in 1811. He ruled there as king until he committed suicide with a silver bullet in 1820.

Answer: Henri Christophe

3. When French forces under General Charles Leclerc came to retake the island in 1802, Toussaint offered surprisingly little resistance. Later, in 1803, most of the French force was decimated by a raging tropical illness. What illness did to the French what L'Ouverture had not accomplished?

Answer: Yellow Fever

19. For 15 points apiece, given a story, name the main character who has a section in the Book of Judges named after him or her.

1. When the Canaanites attacked, she summoned Barak to meet her under a cedar tree. After the Israelites were victorious, she sang a famous song of triumph.

Answer: Deborah

2. When God approached him to lead the Israelites, he first tested God by seeing if he could make dew appear on a piece of wool.

Answer: Gideon

20. Given the following first line from a Bruce Springsteen song, name that song, for 5 points apiece.

1. "In the day we sweat it out on the streets of a runaway American dream."

Answer: Born to Run

2. "Well, a great black river a man had found"

Answer: Seeds

3. "I get up in the evening ... and I ain't got nothing to say."

Answer: Dancing in the Dark

4. "I've been working real hard, trying to get my hands clean."

Answer: Prove it all Night

5. "The screen door slams, Mary's dress sways."

Answer: Thunder Road

6. "I was eight years old and running with a dime in my hand."

Answer: My Hometown