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Questions by OU Forever

TOSS UP

1. This author was born in 1860 in Taganrog (TAH-gahn-rog). His first volume of short stories, Motley Stories, was published in 1886. FTP, name this author of the short stories "Vanka" and "In the Cart," and the plays "Uncle Vanya" and "The Seagull."

A: Anton Chekov

2. Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah. FQTP, give the popular geographical term for the point where these states meet.

A: the Four Corners

3. This English male performer started his rock and roll career at the age of fifteen as the lead singer of the Spencer Davis Group. He may be best remembered for his 1986 hit album Back in the High Life. FTP identify this original member of Traffic.

A: Steve Winwood

4. For a quick ten points, name the last book of the Latin Vulgate Edition of the Old Testament.

A: II Machabees

5. Linguists divide language into units of simplest meaning. These units may be individual words, such as "book" or "gentle"; prefixes, such as "un" or "proto"; suffixes, such as "ly" or "ment", or belong to other classifications. FTP, name the word for this unit of meaning.

A: Morpheme

6. He is noted as being the founder of the Church of Satan, as well as the author of the Satanic Bible. FTP name him.

A: Anton LeVay

7. The Boston Strangler, Jack the Ripper, Leonardo da Vinci, Ramses II, Picasso, George Bush, Ben Franklin, Ted Koppel, Dave Barry, Sergei Rachmaninov, Jimi Hendrix, and Jim Henson all share, FTP, what trait known officially as "sinistrality"?

A: Left-handedness 8. He spent a winter with Washington at Valley Forge. The he

finished out his life fighting Indians in the Ohio Indiana Michigan area. FTP, identify this "mad" general for whom the second largest city in Indiana is named.

A: Mad Anthony _Wayne_

9. For a quick ten points, name the study of anatomy and its significance, derived from the Greek word for "form."

A: Morphology

10. When Hawthorne said, "Let man tremble to win the hand of woman, lest he win with it the utmost passion of her heart," he most likely was making a reference to this character. FTP, identify this disfigured doctor of _The Scarlet Letter_.

A: Roger _Chillingsworth_

11. Portrayed by Denis Lawson, he is the only character in Star Wars besides Han Solo, Luke Skywalker, Chewbacca, and Princess Leia to live through all three movies. FTP name this Rebel pilot from Tatooine who shares his name with a simple machine.

A: _Wedge_ Antilles

12. He joined the revolutionary Committee of Public Safety in April 1793. He disapproved so strongly of the Reign of Terror that he retired from public life before becoming a leader of the moderates. FTP, name this man executed by Robespierre on April 5, 1794.

A: Georges _Danton_

13. "In the long run we're all dead," was his response to critics who claimed their ideas worked just as well in the long run. FTP, identify this Twentieth-Century British economist and proponent of government spending.

A: Lord John Maynard _Keynes_

14. For a quick ten points, name the term referring to the appearance of an object when it is viewed from two different points.

A: Parallax

15. He is noted for his composition, _The Bartered Bride_, but is perhaps more famous for another work, entitled _The Moldau_. FTP,

name this Czech composer.

A: Bedrich _Smetana_

16. The bodies of the murdered Romanovs, former ruling family of Russia, were finally identified using this form of DNA, passed to the child only from the mother. FTP, name it.

A: Mitochondrial

17. He was born in Lowell, Massachusetts in 1922 and died in 1969. His first novel, _Town and the City_, was published in 1950. FTP, name this beat author of _On the Road_.

A: Jack _Kerouac_

18. This former all-star was traded with Larry Bowa for Ivan DeJesus in 1982. However, this player, who started his major league career playing third base, went on to become the 1984 National League MVP while playing second. FTP, who is this Chicago Cub who is coming out of retirement for the 1996 season?

A: Ryne _Sandberg_

19. This man played college basketball at Ohio State in the early sixties with teammates such as Jerry Lucas and John Havlichek. However, since he sat on the bench of the most part, he went into coaching instead of the NBA. Perhaps the fact that his first job was at Army led to his nickname of "The General." FTP, identify the men's head coach at Indiana.

A: Robert Montgomery _Knight_ (Also accept Bob or Bobby)

20. For a quick ten points, give the title of the new book by Hillary Rodham Clinton.

A: _It Takes A Village_

21. Vertebrates have two structures running the length of their backs. One is the vertebral column. FTP, name the other, more ancient structure, defined as a long, continuous rod of fibrous connective tissue around a fluid core.

A: Notochord

22. FTP, what team was the first to reach 30 wins in the 1995-96 NBA basketball season, despite moving out of their former home and across the street to the United Center?

A: Chicago _Bulls_

23. People have been expecting this for months, so it was no surprise when the bottom fell out of the technology market. One of the victims, which fell over 48%, was, FTP, what company responsible for the recent hit movie "Toy Story"?

A: Pixar

24. Everything from this year's hurricane season, droughts, floods, record breaking highs in Moscow, and the Blizzard of '96 are blamed on, FTP, what modern-day phenomenon caused by a buildup of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere?

A: Global Warming

25. Europe is mourning the death of, FTP, which man, elected to the presidency of France in 1981 and known for his leftist policies?

A: Francoise Mitterand

26. Atlanta, Jackson, Carson City, Bad Axe, Caldonia, Wyoming, Wolverine, Frankenmuth, Sault (Soo) Ste. (saint) Marie, Cadillac, and Detroit are all cities in what state?

A: Michigan

27. Only 50 of these cars were ever produced, but 46 of them are still roadworthy. The story of the car was made into a movie subtitled _A man and His Dream_. FTP, name this vehicle.

A: _Tucker_ Automobile

28. Though fewer than forty paintings and can be attributed to him, and only three are dated, he is regarded as a master of 17th-century Dutch painting. FTP, name this painter of "The Allegory of Painting."

A: Johannes _Vermeer_

29. This D.W. Griffith film, which was released in 1915, was almost universally praised for its revolutionary techniques. Set during the Reconstruction era, it portrayed black power as the main threat to white supremacy. FTP, name this controversial film in which most of the black characters are played by whites

in black face.

A: _Birth of a Nation_

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BONUS

1. (30 points) The Paleozoic Era, from c. 590 million years to c. 286 million years ago, was divided into six periods. For five points apiece, name them in any order.

A: Cambrian, Ordovician, Silurian, Devonian, Carboniferous, Permian

2. (30 points) Answer the following questions about college basketball's top teams for the given number of points.

For five points: Name the 1995 men's NCAA champions.

A: UCLA (University of California at Los Angeles)

For five points: Name the 1995 women's NCAA champions.

A: University of Connecticut

For ten points (five apiece): Name the last men's team to go undefeated for a season and the year.

A: Indiana University, 1976

For ten points (five apiece): Name the last women's team to go undefeated for a season and the year.

A: University of Connecticut, 1995

3. (30 points) Most Protestant churches have two sacraments, Baptism and communion or Holy Eucharist. The Catholic Church has seven. For five points each and an additional five for all correct, name the other five sacraments of the Catholic Church.

A: Penance (accept also Confession or Justification); Holy Matrimony (also Marriage); Confirmation; Holy Orders; Extreme Unction (also Anointing of the Sick and Last Rites).

4. (30 points) For ten points each, answer the following questions about My Fair Lady.

What actor played Henry Higgins in the movie version?

A: Rex Harrison

Who played Eliza Doolittle in the original play production?

A: Julie Andrews

Who played Eliza Doolittle in the movie version?

A: Audrey Hepburn

5. (30 points) For ten points apiece, name all three parts of Aeschylus' trilogy of Oresteia.

A: Agamemnon, The Libation Bearers, The Eumenides.

6. (25 points) Since this is the only thing that is remembered about Catherine the Great, answer these questions about her lovers for the stated number of points.

For five points: Though he didn't last long as an imperial lover, another one of his family became one of the Russian Five and Scherezade.

A: Rimsky-Korsakov

For ten points: The most famous of her lovers, they may have secretly married. After the relationship ended, they remained friends and he procured younger lovers for her. A famous battleship was named after him.

A: Gregory _Potemkin_

For ten points: Though they may not have slept together, he was her husband and was emperor for about six months before he was dethroned by her supporters.

A: Peter III

7. (30 points) Identify the Shakespeare play from the quotes, 30-20-10-5

30: "Arrise, dissembler. Though I wish thy death, I will not be thy executioner."

20: "Simple, plain Clarence, I do love thee so / That I will shortly send thy soul to heaven / If heaven will take the present at our hands."

10: "Now is the winter of our discontent made glorious summer by this son of York."

5: "A horse! Ahorse! My kingdom for a horse!"

A: Richard III

8. (30 points) Cartoonist Scott Adams draws a comic strip which is growing in popularity. For the stated number of points, name the following characters in the strip.

For five points: The title character of the strip, he is an engineer with a squirrely necktie and works for an evil corporation.

A: Dilbert

For ten points: He is the title character's bespectacled canine sidekick and has aspirations to take over the world.

A: Dogbert

For fifteen points: This dimwitted dinosaur is a friend of the title character.

A: Bob

9. (30 points) Given the song from the musical Les Misérables, identify the character who sings it for ten points apiece.

"Bring Him Home"

A: Valjean

"On My Own"

A: Eponine

"I Dreamed a Dream"

A: Fantine

10. (20 points) For ten points, what Presidential Candidate has his own magazine?

A. _Forbes_

For ten more points, what is the main platform Forbes is running on?

A. A flat tax.

11. (25 points) Millions of years ago lived two orders of animals, the Ornithischia (or-nith-is-kee-ah) and the Saurischia (sore-is-kee-ah), which are extinct today.

For fifteen points, what is the common name referring to animals of these groups?

A: _Dinosaurs_ or _Dinosauria_

For ten more points, what current day class of animals is thought by some scientists to be descended from saurischian dinosaurs?

A: _Birds_ or _Aves_

13. (30 points) Given the following lists of characters, identify the TV program in which they appear for fifteen points apiece.

The Harlem Globetrotters, Phyllis Diller, Batman and Robin, and Don Knotts.

A: Scooby Doo

Red, Moley, and Wimbley.

A: Fraggle Rock

14. (30 points) Tolkien, Tolkien, Tolkien!!!! For ten points apiece, answer the following questions about the Lord of the Rings.

What is the proper name of "The Last Homely House in the West?"

A: Rivendell

Who is the master of Rivendell?

A: Elrond

Who is the last Ring bearer to pass into the west?

A: _Sam_ or _Samwise_.

15. (30 points) Many people are familiar with the story of the Phantom of the Opera. However, what do you know about the novel on which the musical was based? Answer the following questions for the stated number of points apiece.

For ten points, who is the author of the novel?

A: Gaston _Leroux_

For ten points, what is the actual name of the Phantom?

A: Erik

At the end of the book, Christine has the choice of turning two levers that were in the shapes of animals. For five points each, what were the two animals?

A: Grasshopper and Scorpion

16. (20 points) Musical instrument same name:

For ten points, it's both a wind instrument and a video tape machine.

A: Recorder

For ten points, it's both a type of drum and a synonym for "trap."

A: Snare

17. (30 points) For ten points apiece, given four cities, name the Interstate connecting them.

San Francisco, Salt Lake City, the Quad cities, New York City.

A: I-80

Casper, Denver, Santa Fe, El Paso.

A: I-25

Flagstaff, Albuquerque, Memphis, Winston-Salem.

A: I-40

18. (30 points) The years 1969 and 1970 were turbulent times on college campuses. Answer the following questions for ten points apiece.

In 1969, a hundred black students armed with rifles and shotguns took over the student union at what university?

A: _Cornell_ University

On May 4, 1970, how many students were killed at Kent State University?

A: Four

Ten days later, state patrolmen and police opened fire on a women's dormitory with automatic weapons at what Mississippi university?

A: _Jackson State_ University

19. (30 points) Give the number of valence electrons in each of the following elements for five points apiece.

Cesium: 1

Oxygen: 6

Carbon: 4

Silicon: 4

Xenon: 8 (accept also 0)

Bismuth: 5

20. (30 points) Given the names of National Forests, name the state, 30-20-10.

30 points: Uncompahgre Nat'l Forest, Routt Nat'l Forest

20 points: White River Nat'l Forest, Grand Mesa Nat'l Forest

10 points: Pike Nat'l Forest, Rio Grande Nat'l Forest

A: Colorado

21. (30 points) Identify the historical figure, 30-20-10.

30 points: His mother was nicknamed "Juana the Mad."

20 points: He negotiated the Peace of Augsburg in 1555 and retired to a monastery shortly thereafter.

10 points: He became the Holy Roman Emperor and head of the House of Hapsburg in 1519.

A: _Charles the Fifth_ (also accept _Charles the First of Spain_)

22. (20 points) For ten points, name the recent music group which sings the song "Waterfalls."

A: TLC

For ten more points, name their album.

A: CrazySexyCool

23. (30 points) Identify the volcanic eruption for the stated number of points.

For five points: Its 1991 eruption killed more than 600 people and destroyed Clark Air Force Base.

A: Mt. Pinatubo

For ten points: Its 1902 eruption killed all but 2 of the inhabitants of St. Pierre on the island of Martinique.

A: Mt. Pelee'

For fifteen points: Its 1815 eruption killed 90,000 people directly and indirectly and might have caused 1816's "Year Without a Summer."

A: Mt. Tambora

24. (30 points) For the stated number of point, name the Latin percussion instrument given the description.

For fifteen points: This instrument is a hollow gourd or wooden tube, open at one end, with a washboard-textured surface that is scraped to make a sound.

A: Guiro

For ten points: This instrument consists of a pair of wooden sticks, one slightly larger than the other, whose characteristic rhythm generally forms the basic background beat in Latin folk music.

A: Claves

For five points: This instrument was originally intended for livestock. It is struck with a stick and its loud, penetrating sound is heard in some popular music.

A: Cowbell

25. (30 points) For the stated number of points, answer these questions about Russia's recent parliamentary elections.

For five points: What party garnered the most votes?

A: Communist

For ten points: Name the party headed by the right-wing Vladimir Zhiranovsky.

A: Liberal Democrats

For fifteen points: What party was created as a vehicle for the Prime Minister?

A: _Our Home is Russia_ (also accept _Nash Dom Rossi_)

26. (30 points) Given the founder and the year, name the Protestant denomination for ten points each.

John Knox, 1560

A: Presbyterian

John and Charles Wesley, 1739

A: Methodist

William Booth, 1865

A: Salvation Army

27. (20 points) For the stated number of points, answer the following questions about economics.

For five points: This term refers to the quantities that people are willing and able to sell at various prices during some given time period.

A: Supply

For five points: This term refers to the quantities that people are willing and able to buy at various prices during some given time period.

A: Demand

For ten points: This term is defined as a measure of the responsiveness of buyers or sellers to changes in price.

A: Elasticity