

Western Michigan University
Team A
Toss-Ups

1. Snowfalls occur only every four years in the mountains of Mexico, but this winter's cold snap may have caused the deaths of 20 million members of this well-loved species. For 10 points -- name these brightly-colored, migratory butterflies.

Ans: Monarch Butterflies or Danaus Plexippus

2. According to columnist Molly Ivins, the title of this British film had its trailing "III" cut off because of fears that American audiences would think they'd missed parts I and II. For 10 points -- name this film whose plot chronicled the descent into insanity of a British king.

Ans: The Madness of King George (III)

3. Many historians call this river a "glorified ditch", and it is not nearly as impressive as the stigma it carries. It is located in northern Italy, and at the time of the Roman empire, no military unit was allowed to cross over it without permission from the Roman Government. For 10 points -- name this river, which Julius Caesar crossed anyway.

Ans: Rubicon

4. His good friend Bassanio is in love, and to help him court his love he borrows money from a Jewish moneylender. Bassanio's love is Portia, the moneylender is Shylock, and he is -- for 10 points -- what Shakespearean title character?

Ans: The Merchant of Venice or Antonio

5. Like most kids, he got an allowance for chores, but you would figure he would have gotten a lot more than a quarter. His ad blitz in New Hampshire has lead him to a distant second in the latest primary polls, and his estimated worth is 439 million. For 10 points -- name this GOP presidential hopeful whose net worth was determined in the Feb. 5 edition of a magazine that bears his name.

Ans: Steve Forbes

6. He refused to teach composition because he feared it would adversely affect his own composing. Some of these works include 1904's "Kossuth Symphony" and 1916's "The Wooden Prince". World War II caused him to move to the U.S. from Hungary, and he died in this country in 1945. For 10 points -- name this composer of "Bluebeard's Castle".

Ans: Bela Bartok

7. A meander is separated from the main stream of a river. Erosion of the banks, and deposition of solid material, makes the loop wider and eventually cuts off a curved portion of the river, forming a distinctive type of short-lived lake. For 10 points -- with or without incident, name this type of curved lake.

Ans: Oxbow

8. This team has the NBA's best winning percentage over the last seven years and its biggest star recently said he "was getting weak in his late career" in response to a question about him missing games due to a toe injury. For 10 points -- name this basketball team whose coach, Paul Westphal, was fired in January to make way for the man he replaced, Cotton Fitzsimmons.

Ans: Phoenix Suns

9. Less forgiving than Woodrow Wilson, this man wanted a peace treaty that would punish Germany and would compensate France for its losses. He presided at the peace conference after World War I, which produced the Treaty of Versailles. For 10 points -- name this Frenchman, the premier of France at the end of World War I and afterward.

Ans: Georges Clemenceau

10. His favorite T-shirt bore a quotation by Thomas Jefferson, "The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants." His mother abandoned the family when he was a child, and his high school classmates voted this quite boy "most talkative". For 10 points -- name this Army veteran now accused of bombing the Federal Building in Oklahoma City.

Ans: Timothy J. McVeigh

11. An ex-football player, he is ordained as a minister, but is soon fired for his perpetual drunkenness. He then takes up with a band of fraudulent evangelists, including Sharon Falconer, whom he seduces. For 10 points -- name this man, and you name the title of a satire of the clergy by Sinclair Lewis.

Ans: Elmer Gantry

12. This company has found itself in a little bit of trouble lately. While its arcade division cannot go wrong, its home division has been floundering, and its CD add-on was a failure, as was the 32X. For 10 points -- name this company that hopes Virtua Cop, World Series Baseball, and Virtua Fighter 2 will help its Saturn system.

Ans: Sega

13. Although this family is not known for producing astronomers, three moon craters are named for family members. One of them, Sklodowska (sklo-DOV-ska), bears the maiden name of the family matriarch. For 10 points -- name this prominent family of science.

Ans: Curie

14. It was built by Phillip II of Spain at the foot of the Sierra de Guadarrama. Originally a monastery, this granite structure's design is classical and was probably finished about 1584. For 10 points -- name this building 30 miles northwest of Madrid that is now an art museum.

Ans: El Escorial

15. He was honored with the title of "Tusitala", or "Teller of

Tales", by the Samoan people with whom he spent the last years of his life. For 10 points -- name this Scotsman and author of such works as An Island Voyage, The Silverado Squatters, and The Master of Ballantrae.

Ans: Robert Louis Stevenson

16. In the late 1950s, he once said to a group of Western diplomats, "I never had any proper schooling. When you were in the nursery, I was herding cows for two kopeks. And yet here we are, and I can run rings around you all." For 10 points -- name this Soviet premier legendary for his ability to keep a good beat with his footwear.

Ans: Nikita Khrushchev

17. Accused of being a top Mexican drug trafficker and one of the FBI's most wanted, this man was recently arrested in Mexico and will be deported to Houston. For 10 points -- name this man, the first international drug trafficker listed on the FBI's ten most wanted list and target of an extensive manhunt after the FBI offered a \$2-million bounty for his arrest.

Ans: Juan Garcia Abrego

18. 315 miles long, it begins by flowing out of Lake Tear-of-the-Clouds in the Adirondacks. It meanders southwest into Saratoga County where it turns east. From there, the river passes by the Catskills and the Palisades, and ends in New York Bay. For 10 points -- name this river named for an English explorer.

Ans: Hudson River

19. In a somewhat ironic twist of fate, he had to return to England in 1743 due to the debt he accumulated loaning money to colonists. For 10 points -- name this Englishman who had originally helped England rid its prisons of debtors by establishing the colony of Georgia.

Ans: James Oglethorpe

20. He was forced to declare bankruptcy at one point due to the investment failure of a typesetting machine, but got back on his feet with a world lecture tour. For 10 points -- name this white-suited American whose voyage on the Quaker City was immortalized in his work The Innocents Abroad.

Ans: Mark Twain or Samuel Langhorne Clemens

21. This man has a pediatric wing named in his honor at the Martin Luther King Jr. hospital in Los Angeles. This oscar-winning actor played a doctor on the TV series St. Elsewhere and he is very involved in LA area children's groups. For 10 points -- name this actor, who went toe-to-toe with Gene Hackman in the submarine thriller Crimson Tide.

Ans: Denzel Washington

22. He is now playing for the Florida Beachdogs of the CBA, but he also played ten seasons in the NBA with the likes of Miami, Philadelphia, Golden State, and Washington. Although he likes to

shoot a surprisingly accurate 3-point shot, he made his mark by ranking seventh all time in blocked shots. For 10 points -- name this 7-foot 7-inch rail thin center from the Sudan.

Ans: Manute Bol

23. In 1970, while serving a 10-year sentence for possession of two marijuana joints, this man was sprung from a California prison by his third wife with the help of the Weather Underground. He is now giving interviews describing his adventurous approach to his own terminal illness. For 10 points -- name this 75-year-old psychedelic explorer.

Ans: Dr. Timothy Leary

24. Animals, trees, and stones followed him and rivers stopped flowing, according to Greek legend, simply because the music of his voice and lyre were so beautiful. For 10 points -- name this son of Calliope who was torn to pieces by the women of Thrace long after losing the love of his life, Eurydice.

Ans: Orpheus

25. He was given much credit for the election of John F. Kennedy, as Kennedy won by only a few thousand votes in Illinois and this man was rumored to have stuffed the ballot boxes. For 10 points -- name this man, one of the last and toughest political bosses, who was the mayor of Chicago for over a quarter century.

Ans: Richard Daley

26. The Sir Leonard Tilley Building houses this nation's intelligence agency, the Communications Security Establishment. Angry former employees recently charged that the agency has spied on this nation's own citizens, as well as on South Korea and Mexico. For 10 points -- name this northern neighbor of the U.S.

Ans: Canada

27. Orphaned at the age of 12, he was placed under the guardianship of his uncle Thaddeus Bobrowski. Bored, he went to sea at the age of 16, and three years later was wounded in a duel, an event he chronicled in The Arrow of Gold. However, today he is known for other works such as "The Mirror of the Sea" and "Nostromo". For 10 points -- name this Polish-born author of Lord Jim.

Ans: Joseph Conrad

28. When all is said and done, it is derived from Ergot, a rust that grows on rye grain. It has been tried in the treatment of alcoholism and autism, but Albert Hoffman's creation is used primarily for recreational mind altering purposes. For 10 points -- name this drug, technically known as D-Lysergic Acid Diethylamide Tartarate.

Ans: LSD

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Bonus Questions

1. For 10 points each -- name these poetic terms.

A. The dropping of a syllable, or the combining of two syllables into one.

Ans: Elision

B. Poetry in unrhymed iambic pentameter.

Ans: Blank Verse

C. A pause indicated by a comma, period, or other punctuation mark.

Ans: Caesura

2. I will name three representatives from the U.S. Congress from one state, and you name the state for 10 points each. If you are incorrect, you will be given a more well known representative for 5 points.

A. For 10: Jack Kingston, Charlie Norwood, Mac Collins

For 5: Newt Gingrich

Ans: Georgia

B. For 10: Ron Packard, Duncan Hunter, Jay Kim

For 5: Sonny Bono

Ans: California

C. For 10: Gene Green, Larry Combest, Jim Chapman

For 5: Dick Armey

Ans: Texas

3. I'm sure you're tired of naming the African country from its border countries, so we'll try Europe in this question. For 10 points each:

A. Romania, Ukraine

Ans: Moldova

B. Albania, Greece, Yugoslavia

Ans: Macedonia

C. France, Belgium, Germany

Ans: Luxembourg

4. Given a Civil War battle, give the Union commander for the stated number of points.

A. For 5: Vicksburg

Ans: U.S. Grant

B. For 10: Second Bull Run

Ans: John Pope

C. For 15: Pea Ridge

Ans: Samuel Curtis

5. Entertainment Weekly recently named the cast of "Friends" as its entertainers of the year. For 10 points each -- given a set of clues, name others that made that list.

A. This long-dead author made the list at number 10 due to a number of her books being made into films and the sleeper hit "Clueless" being loosely based on one of her works.

Ans: Jane Austen

B. This rapper came in at number 12 and he told Michelle Pfeiffer the facts of street life when she wants to know what is going on.

Ans: Coolio

C. This number 6 on the list poses next to a bull in his photos, and he took the role in one of last year's biggest hits

because Robin Williams was too much trouble to sign.

Ans: Jim Carrey

6. Given a description of a term or procedure used by computer programmers, name it for 10 points each.

A. In this sorting algorithm, you scan a list and swap any pairs of items that are out of order, causing the largest value to rise to the top first, the second largest second, and so on.

Ans: Bubble Sort

B. In this data structure, every record contains a pointer to the next record in the list.

Ans: Linked List

C. This structure, useful in modeling maps and circuits, consists of a set of vertices linked by edges, and may be directed or undirected.

Ans: Graph

7. Given a description of a taxonomic group, name the group for 10 points each.

A. This primate suborder, whose name means "before monkeys", includes the lemurs, lorises, and tarsiers.

Ans: Prosimians or Prosimii

B. This class of chelicerate (ke-LISS-er-ate) arthropods is defined by two body segments, a pair of pedipalps, and four pairs of walking legs.

Ans: Arachnids or Arachnida (NOT "Spiders")

C. This group of large land plants is divided into four divisions: Cyciads, gnetophytes (NEAT-o-fites), conifers, and the ginkgo.

Ans: Gymnosperms or Gymnospermae

8. Name the Booth Tarkington work from a brief description for 10 points each.

A. It is the story of a young girl who is unable to raise her social standing.

Ans: Alice Adams

B. The title character is a midwestern youth who is imaginative and prone to mischief.

Ans: Penrod

9. Name the mythological figure on a 30-20-10 basis.

For 30: The daughter of the Titan Pallas and the river nymph Styx, she was often identified with Athena.

For 20: She's usually represented as a winged figure carrying a laurel and a palm.

For 10: She is the Greek goddess of victory.

Ans: Nike

10. On the 100th anniversary of his 1811 birth, the New York World said, "For 35 years [he] was probably the greatest political force this country has ever known except Thomas Jefferson." For 10 points each:

A. Name this founder of the New York Tribune.

Ans: Horace Greeley

B. Greeley's political aspirations came to a halt after his loss to what U.S. president, (not to mention his death soon after)?

Ans: Ulysses Grant

11. Give these terms from chemistry for 10 points each.

A. First, molecules which are mirror images of each other and cannot be superimposed.

Ans: Enantiomers

B. Second, a mixture of equal parts of enantiomers.

Ans: Racemic mixture

C. Third, the term from the Greek word for "hand" used to describe molecules which are optically active.

Ans: Chiral or Chirality

12. Show everyone you're a pro when it comes to vocabulary by giving the word that begins with "P-R-O" from a definition for 10 points each.

A. A measure taken to prevent the occurrence, worsening, or spreading of a disease. Immunization is an example.

Ans: Prophylaxis

B. The name ancient Greeks gave to massive gateways that served as entrances to sacred places, like the famous entrance to the Acropolis.

Ans: Propylaea

C. Cancer of this body is the third most deadly cancer in males.

Ans: Prostrate

13. It relates the voyage of a German liner from Veracruz to Bremerhaven in 1931. It's a pessimistic moral allegory that uses many characters to convey the message that humans are self-destructive beings.

A. First -- for 15 points -- what is the novel?

Ans: Ship of Fools

B. Now -- for 10 points -- who wrote Ship of Fools?

Ans: Katherine Anne Porter

14. On January 1, 1996, a European nation began to separate church and state after 403 years, no longer requiring its monarch and ministers to be church members, and will soon allow the church to appoint its own bishops.

A. First -- for 10 points -- name this nation whose head of state is King Carl XVI Gustaf.

Ans: Sweden

B. Now -- for 10 points -- name the Christian denomination which has long been the state religion of Sweden.

Ans: Lutheran(ism)

15. Often, rock groups will simply self-title their albums for simplicity's sake. For 10 points each, identify:

A. The trio whose debut album features the MTV smash "Lump".

Ans: Presidents of the U.S.A. (Equivalents on "USA")

B. The Seattle grunge rockers who had originally titled their latest release "Tripod" due to the three legged dog on the cover.

They scratched it for the eponymous route.

Ans: Alice in Chains

16. Identify the following Supreme Court decisions from the year and a brief description of the case for 10 points each.

A. 1962, the court ruled that public schools could not require pupils to recite a state-composed prayer at the start of each day.

Ans: Engel vs. Vitale

B. 1819, the court ruled that Congress had the authority to charter a national bank.

Ans: McCulloch vs. Maryland

17. An American feminist artist, born in 1939, is perhaps most famous for a controversial installation piece she created in the 1970's, in which stylized place setting at a table represented the lives and achievements of 39 famous women.

A. First -- for 15 points -- name this artwork.

Ans: The Dinner Party

B. Now -- for 15 more points -- name the artist who created "The Dinner Party", as well as the 1980 piece, "The Birth Project".

Ans: Judy Chicago

18. Of the 100 most populous cities in the United States, only 5 begin with the letter "D". For 5 points each -- name those 5 cities.

Ans: Denver, Dallas, Des Moines, Dayton, Detroit

19. "The Past Recaptured" is the title of the last part in an extremely long 7-part novel written between the years 1908 and 1922. For 10 points each:

A. Name this French novel.

Ans: Remembrance of Things Past or A la Recherche du Temps Perdue

B. Name the author of Remembrance of Things Past.

Ans: Marcel Proust

C. Name the first part in the 7-part series.

Ans: Swann's Way

20. In December of 1995 the head of Best Friends, an organization that encourages schoolchildren to forego sex, received a \$200,000 check from her own good friend. For 10 points each:

A. The head of Best Friends is what woman, wife of the author of The Moral Compass?

Ans: Elayne Bennett

B. Though Bennett is pro-life, the check came from what pro-choice wife of an American general?

Ans: Alma Powell

21. Give the name of the work from which these excerpts are taken on a 30-20-10 basis.

For 30: "...I have, after deliberation, taken up domestic pigeons. I have kept every breed which I could purchase or obtain..."

For 20: "We see these beautiful co-adaptations most plainly in

the woodpecker and the mistletoe; and only a little less plainly in the humblest parasite which clings to the hairs of a quadruped or feathers of a bird..."

For 10: "Furthermore, I am convinced that Natural Selection has been the most important, but not the exclusive, means of modification.

Ans: The Origin of Species (By Means of Natural Selection, Or, the Preservation of Favored Races in the Struggle for Life) by Charles Darwin

22. Name the architect on a 30-20-10 basis.

For 30: He has authored such books as "A Treatise on Inland Navigation" and "The American Pharos or Lighthouse Guide".

For 20: From 1803 to 1808 he worked for Benjamin Latrobe and he began his career as a draftsman for Thomas Jefferson.

For 10: He was appointed government architect by Andrew Jackson and he designed the Washington Monument.

Ans: Robert Mills

23. Answer the following about Calvin Coolidge for a varying number of points.

A. For 5: In what state did he serve as governor?

Ans: Massachusetts

B. For 10: In what state was he born?

Ans: Vermont

C. For 15: Who was his Democratic opponent for President in 1924?

Ans: John W. Davis

24. Given the name of a Weird Al Yankovic parody, name the song it was based on for 10 points each. You'll only get 5 if you need the name of the singer or band that had the original hit.

A. For 10: "Spam"

For 5: R.E.M.

Ans: "Stand"

B. For 10: "Lasagna"

For 5: Ritchie Valens

Ans: "La Bamba"

C. For 10: "Yoda"

For 5: The Kinks

Ans: "Lola"