

SNEWT: Son of QOTC, 1997  
Tossups by Pitt Gypsies

1. John Lydgate and William Caxton's 15th century accounts of the Trojan War inspired this play, which was one of the first plays to dramatize the tensions within the Greek and Trojan armies and the first Shakespearean play to portray extramarital sexual encounters. For ten points, name this tragedy whose title characters are one of Hector's brothers and that brother's lover.

Answer: \_TROIUS AND CRESSIDA\_

2. This archipelago was discovered in 1427 and includes nine major islands. During World War II, Portugal allowed the United States and Great Britain to establish air and naval bases here, and today a NATO air base sits on the second largest island of Terceira. For ten points, name this Portuguese dependency that is home to a quarter of a million people and whose capital is Ponta Delgada.

Answer: the \_AZORES\_

3. He was born in a manger on December 25, but he isn't Jesus. The Persians believed he slew the divine bull from whose body sprang most plant and animal life, and the Babylonians believed he was the god of the sun. For ten points, name this deity who was also worshiped as the Sun God by the Greeks of Asia Minor and by a popular Roman "mystery cult."

Answer: \_MITHRA\_ (Also accept \_MITHRAS\_ or \_MITRA\_)

4. He worked primarily in bronze, sculpting mostly animals and athletes. He excelled at modeling figures in motion, but he was unable to capture his subjects' emotions. For ten points, name this 5th century B.C. Greek sculptor whose most famous works are Athena and Marsyas and the Discobolus.

Answer: \_MYRON\_

5. George Jaques Danton was a member for about nine months. Then Maximilian Robbespierre cut short his career. Robbespierre himself led for about a year, but in 1794 he got careless and let his enemies in the National Convention get ahead of him too. For ten points, identify this commission, the executive branch of Revolutionary France from 1793 to 1795, that quieted opposition by executing its enemies, several of its own less-popular members, and about 14,000 frenchmen in the Reign of Terror.

Answer: the \_COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC SAFETY\_

6. George S. Kaufman, Robert E. Sherwood, Marc Connelly, Heywood Broun, Robert Benchley, and Dorothy Parker. For ten points, these writers help make up what American literary circle known for sharp wit and clever conversation and named for the hotel in New York City in which the members met?

Answer: the \_ALGONQUIN ROUND TABLE\_

7. This thesis can never be proven since the term "computable" is not one of mathematics, but the principle seems to hold up pretty darn well. For ten points, name this thesis which states that "all computable functions are recursive functions" and is named for the recently deceased logician who proposed it.

Answer: \_CHURCH'S\_ Thesis

8. American sociologist Robert Merton found this trait strongest in those whose goals were not attainable through socially acceptable methods. Emile Durkheim first used this term as an adjective to describe a particular kind of suicide caused by a breakdown in social structures. For ten points, name this six-letter word, a synonym for normlessness which comes from the Greek for lawlessness.

Answer: \_ANOMIE\_

9. He liked to meet in empty parking garages at two AM and didn't even trust pay phones. Washington Post editor Howard Simons gave him his famous nickname, the title of a popular porno flick, but only Ben Bradlee, Bob Woodward, Carl Bernstein know who he really is. For ten points, identify Woodward's source who helped him and Bernstein expose the Watergate conspiracy.

Answer: \_DEEP THROAT\_ (if more specific answer is given, please let us know :-)

10. He says he is losing money now, even though a 100 thousand dollar investment he made in 1970 is now worth 100 million dollars. That investment was the miserable expansion team the Seattle Pilots which he purchased, renamed, and moved to Wisconsin. For ten points, name this man, the owner of the Milwaukee Brewers, who Keith Olbermann dubbed "interim commissioner for life."

Answer: Allan "Bud" \_SELIG\_

11. He designed the Dymaxion House, a portable, donut-shaped home hung from a central mast, the Dymaxion Airocean World Map which can be folded into globe without the visible distortions of other world maps, and the Dymaxion car, a three-wheeled, fuel-efficient automobile. However, he is best remembered for inventing the geodesic dome. For ten points, name this American engineer who said, "I just invent. Then I wait around until man comes needing what I've invented."

Answer: R. Buckminster \_FULLER\_

12. This geographic entity existed from 1904 to 1979. Its two administrative districts were Cristobal and Balboa, and its functional capital was Balboa Heights. Gatun Lake covered about a third of its area. For ten points, name this former United States administrative region located in the central American isthmus.

Answer: Panama \_CANAL ZONE\_ (Do NOT accept \_PANAMA CANAL\_--the first clue clearly makes this answer incorrect.)

13. He was born David Robert Jones, but he changed his name in 1966 to avoid confusion with Davey Jones of the Monkeys. He starred on Broadway in "The Elephant Man" and in the movies "The Man Who Fell to Earth" and "Labyrinth." For ten points, name this actor and founding father of glam rock, famous for the song "Space Oddity" and his album "The Rise and Fall of Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders From Mars."

Answer: David \_BOWIE\_

14. In 1954, she won the American Library Association's first Laura Ingalls Wilder Award for her "substantial and lasting contribution" to children's literature. She published 10 books that were loosely based on her life in the Midwest and plain states, a collection of letters to her husband Almanzo, and the story of Almanzo's childhood, "Farmer Boy." For ten points, name this author whose "Little House" series inspired a fine 1970s and 80s Michael Landon television show.

Answer: Laura Ingalls \_WILDER\_

15. It ran 73 miles from Solway Firth to the mouth of the Tyne River and stood about 20 feet high. A military road ran along its south side, and a series of heavily armed forts and watchtowers linked its segments every mile and third of a mile, respectively. For ten points, name this barrier, built across Britain around 122 AD to protect Roman outposts from Pict invaders.

Answer: \_HADRIAN'S WALL\_

16. In 1866, the Superintendent of Eastwood Asylum first identified this disorder in a paper called "Observations on an Ethnic Classification of Idiots." The good doctor claimed that many of his patients resembled what he considered the next highest race to Caucasians, the Mongolian Asians. For ten points, identify this syndrome caused by an extra copy of chromosome 21 that is named for the Superintendent of Eastwood even though he called it "mongolism."

Answer: \_DOWN\_ or \_DOWN'S SYNDROME\_

17. Its name derives from the Latin for seventy and refers to the seventy scribes who supposedly translated the Hebrew Bible into Greek for Hellenistic Emperor Ptolemy II. For ten points, name this 3rd century BC translation of the Old Testament that was later used by the early Christian church.

Answer: \_SEPTUAGENT\_

18. Andreas de las Casas modeled for its face and head, and a castrated Moor that the sculptor saw paraded through the streets of Florence inspired its genitals and thighs. It stands 14 feet tall in the Galleria dell'Accademia and once towered over the piazza in front of the Palazzo Vecchio. For ten points, name this marble sculpture that Michelangelo Buonarroti sculpted from 1501 to 1504, a symbol of Florentine pride.

Answer: the \_DAVID\_

19. In September, Phil Collins, Sting, Eric Clapton, and Paul McCartney joined forces for a benefit concert at Royal Albert Hall. Nicknamed "Lava Aid" by some, the concert raised around 1.6 million dollars for, for ten points, what British dependency in the Caribbean Sea?

Answer: \_MONTSERRAT\_

20. He spent ten years in Spain where he wrote four books, 2 about Christopher Columbus, "The Conquest of Grenada," and "The Alhambra." However, he is best remembered for his stories and essays on early American life in such books as "Salmagundi" and "The Sketch-Book of Geoffrey Crayon." For ten points, name this native of Tarrytown, New York whose short stories include the "Legend of Sleepy Hollow."

Answer: Washington \_IRVING\_

21. 12 ounces equals a pound, 20 pennyweights equals an ounce, and 24 grains equals one pennyweight. For ten points, these are the basic conversions of what system of weight measurement used for weighing precious metals?

Answer: \_TROY\_ weight

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1) Name these Asian rivers for the stated number of points.

5 pts) It runs through Baghdad and is the northernmost of Iraq's twin rivers.

Answer: TIGRIS river

10 pts) It flows from the Plateau of Tibet, through Laos, Thailand, Cambodia, and Vietnam where it empties into the South China Sea.

Answer: MEKONG river

15 pts) It runs north to south across Myanmar, through the city of Mandalay, and into a delta on the Andaman Sea.

Answer: IRRAWADDY river

2) For ten points a piece, name these evil Republican strategists.

a) In 1988, after the Dems nominated Michael Dukakis, he promised to "strip the bark off the old bastard." He was a blues fan who jammed with B.B. King, and in 1991, he died of a brain tumor.

Answer: Lee ATWATER

b) In 1992, this prodigy of Lee Atwater urged Bush to go tougher on Clinton. Bush mostly ignored her after she mismanaged the disastrous Republican convention, so she went soft for her Democratic counterpart and future husband James Carville.

Answer: Mary MATALIN

c) In 1992, he produced a pair of anti-Clinton commercials that featured an Arkansas family who claimed Bill Clinton murdered their daughter and a shot of Clinton and Ted Kennedy celebrating Clinton's nomination, which is really a photo of Clinton celebrating with Al Gore with Ted's face neatly dubbed over Al's. However, his masterpiece is still the infamous 1988 Willie Horton ad.

Answer: Floyd BROWN

3) 30-20-10. Name the author.

30) In 1964, he translated Aleksandr Pushkin's novel "Eugene Onegin" into English in a four volume set that included his own commentaries.

20) His first English novel was "Bend Sinister" which he wrote 7 years after immigrating to the United States.

10) His most famous novel is "Lolita."

Answer: Vladimir NABOKOV

4) For five points a piece, identify the European country from which each of these nations received its independence and then the year in which independence was granted for an extra five points a piece.

a) People's Republic of Congo

Answer: BELGIUM and 1960

b) Suriname

Answer: The NETHERLANDS and 1975

c) Mozambique

Answer: PORTUGAL and 1975

5) For ten points a piece, answer these questions about our friends the fungi.

a) All true fungi--not those slime molds wannabe fungi--have a cell wall formed primarily from what substance?

Answer: CHITIN

b) The hypha, the absorptive bodies of fungi, are usually continuous tubes of cytoplasm partially separated into distinct cells by what structures?

Answer: SEPTA or SEPTUM

c) In fungi that lack septa, the nuclei and other cell organelles move freely through the cytoplasm, essentially forming one huge cell. What term denotes these structures?

Answer: COENOCYTIC

6) For ten points apiece, name these architects.

a) He restored Saint Paul's Cathedral in London and designed Queen's House at Greenwich.

Answer: Inigo JONES

b) He rebuilt Saint Paul's and the rest of London after the Great Fire of 1666.

Answer: Christopher WREN

c) He designed the MR and Barcelona chairs and New York's Seagram Building.

Answer: Ludwig MIES VAN DER ROHE

7) Name these minor Simpsons characters for five points a piece.

a) He hates the post office and his beatnik parents, but loves everything else. He runs the Leftorium and is the most religious citizen of Springfield despite his secret love of "Married With Children."

Answer: Ned FLANDERS

b) They are Marge's twin sisters, or, as Homer calls them, "the gruesome twosome." For fun, they smoke constantly and deny old people licenses at their jobs in the Springfield Department of Motor Vehicles.

Answer: PATTY and SELMA Bouvier

c) He lives in the Springfield Retirement Castle with Grandpa and hosts a morning radio show. A remake of his short film "Man Getting Hit in the Groin with a Football" starring Ranier Wolfcastle won an Academy Award.

Answer: Hans MOLEMAN

d) They work in Sector 7-G and almost always appear together. They both hold master's degrees, but they still love to sip coffee and munch donuts with Homer.

Answer: CARL and LENNY

8) For ten points a piece, name these British parliaments by their nicknames that have nothing to do with how long they met or a rude part of Puritan anatomy.

a) In 1295, Edward I summoned this parliament so he could raise taxes. The parliament consisted of bishops and abbots, peers, two knights from each shire, and two representatives from each town. And no, Tyra banks was not an M.P.

Answer: the MODEL Parliament

b) In 1386, this parliament appointed a commission to control young king Richard II. Richard responded by raising a personal army that was defeated a year later at Radcot Bridge.

Answer: the WONDERFUL Parliament

c) After Richard's defeat, this parliament tried and executed several of his closest friends and councilors for treason.

Answer: the MERCILESS Parliament

9) For five points a piece, put these substances in order from the one in which sound travels fastest to the one in which sound travels slowest: Steel, Water, Copper, Dry Air, Steam, and Hydrogen. Note: Gasses are at 1 atmosphere and 20 degrees Celsius.

Answer: STEEL, COPPER, WATER, HYDROGEN, STEAM, DRY AIR

10) Give the anthropological terms concerning kinship relations for the stated number of points.

a) For five points a piece, what terms mean marriage within a family or tribe and marriage between families and tribes?

Answer: ENDO GAMY and EXO GAMY

b) Now, for ten points a piece, what terms mean relatives by birth and relatives by marriage?

Answer: CONSANGUINAL kin and AFFINAL kin

11) For the stated number of points, name the authors of these “waiting” pieces of literature.

5 pts) The play “Waiting for Godot.”

Answer: Samuel BECKETT

10 pts) The play “Waiting for Lefty.”

Answer: Clifford ODETS

15 pts) The short story collection “Waiting for Winter.”

Answer: John O’HARA

12) Is College Bowl all Greek to you? Well, if it is, you’re in luck! Place these events in Greek history in order from earliest to latest for five points a piece and an extra five points for all correct. The events are: the founding of the Delian League, the start of the Peloponnesian War, the formation of the Center Union, the end of Mycenaen civilization, and the Battle of Marathon.

Answer: end of the MYCENAEAN civilization (9th century BC), the Battle MARATHON (490 BC), the founding of the DELIAN LEAGUE (478 BC), the start of the PELOPONNESIAN WAR (c. 431 BC), and the formation of the CENTER UNION (1960s AD)

13) Identify the composers of these requiems for the stated number of points.

5 pts) He died while composing his “Requiem,” so his student Franz Süssmeyer finished it from his notes. And no, the answer is not Tom Hulce.

Answer: Wolfgang Amadeus MOZART

10 pts) He wrote the liturgy to his “Ein Deutches Requiem” and did not mention Christ, so the church forbid him to perform it until he inserted an aria from Handel’s “Messiah.”

Answer: Johannes BRAHMS

15 pts) This composer of “Rome et Juliette” and “La Damnation de Faust” wrote his requiem “Grande Messe des Mort” for four brass sections and a choir of 700 elements.

Answer: Hector BERLIOZ

14) For five points a piece, identify the dinosaur from what its name means in English.

a) Tyrant lizard

Answer: \_TYRANNOSAURUS\_ Rex

b) Winged lizard

Answer: \_PETROSAUR\_ (Prompt on \_PTERODACTYL\_)

c) Duck lizard

Answer: \_APATOSAURUS\_

d) Giant southern lizard

Answer: \_GIGANTOSAURUS\_

e) Egg thief

Answer: \_OVIRAPTOR\_

f) Bird Robber

Answer: \_ORNITHOLESTES\_

15) Name these famous angels for ten points a piece.

a) He is the patron of sailors, soldiers, and grocers. He is the guardian angel of Israel and sometimes appears to man in the form of John Travolta.

Answer: \_MICHAEL\_

b) He dumps Tess and goes to South American after she tells him that Alex seduced her. However, in the end, he returns for her, and his eventual faithfulness impressed Hardy's readers and Art Garfunkel who named an album after him.

Answer: Angel \_CLARE\_ (From "Tess of the D'Urbervilles.")

c) He and his friend Mark spent a few years running missions for God so he could earn his wings. By using "the stuff," he performed occasional miracles like giving mark superhuman strength and resurrecting Michael Landon's career.

Answer: Jonathan \_SMITH\_ (From that fine show "Highway to Heaven.")

16) 30-20-10. Name the social scientist.

30) In 1880, he wrote "Principles of Psychology" which advanced the principle of functionalism.

20) He, Charles Sanders Pierce, and John Dewey formed the core of the Pragmatist school of philosophy.

10) In 1902, he wrote "The Varieties of Religious Experience."

Answer: \_W\_illiam \_JAMES\_ (Prompt on \_JAMES\_)



17) Identify these translators of Homer for the stated number of points.

5 pts) In 1715, four years after publishing his "Essay on Criticism," this Englishman published a six volume translation of the Iliad.

Answer: Alexander \_POPE\_

10 pts) His 1616 translation of Homer inspired a famous John Keats poem.

Answer: George \_CHAPMAN\_

15 pts) He said of his famous 1938 prose translation, "Homer speaks naturally, and we must do the same."

Answer: W.H.D. \_ROUSE\_

18) Name the capitals of these African nations for five points a piece and a five point bonus for all correct.

a) Namibia

Answer: \_WINDHOEK\_

b) Sudan

Answer: \_KHARTOUM\_

c) Gambia

Answer: \_BANJUL\_

d) Burkina Faso

Answer: \_OUAGADOUGOU\_

e) Cape Verde

Answer: \_PRAIA\_

19) For five points apiece and a five point bonus for all correct, give the stage names of all five Marx brothers. One brother did not appear in all the films and one appeared only in stage shows.

Answer: \_GROUCHO, HARPO, CHICO, ZEPPPO\_ and \_GUMMO\_

20) 30-20-10. Name the author from works.

30) The Insulted and Injured; House of the Dead

20) The Double; Poor Folk

10) Notes From the Underground; The idiot

Answer: Fyodor \_DOSTOYEVSKY\_

21) For the stated number of points, answer these questions about the pinnacle of American history, the Ford administration!

5 pts) On what day in 1974 did Ford assume the Presidency?

Answer: \_AUGUST 9\_

10 pts) In 1975, Ford bombed mainland Cambodia after Cambodian Communists seized what American ship?

Answer: the U.S.S. \_MAYAGUEZ\_

Possible 15 pts) Ford tried to help the economy by distributing WIN buttons. For five points a word, what did WIN stand for?

Answer: WHIP INFLATION NOW\_