

SNEWT: Son of QOTC, 1997
Toss-ups by Pitt Thieves

1. The A vocabulary consists of words used for everyday speech, like hit, tree, or house. The B vocabulary is made up of compound words used for political purposes. The C vocabulary contains scientific and technical terms. Comparative and superlative are denoted by the prefixes “plus-” and “doubleplus-”. FTP, identify this language created for the book 1984.

Answer: Newspeak

2. He once said to Picasso, “We are the two greatest artists of our time--you in the Egyptian style--I in the modern.” His subjects were intricately detailed animals, exotic figures, and jungle landscapes, and his works included paintings such as “The Snake-Charmer” and “The Sleeping Gypsy”. FTP name this primitivist artist whose last work was “Yadivigha's Dream”.

Answer: H_enri_Rousseau_

3. The Economic Cooperation Administration was created specifically to oversee the efforts resulting from a June 1947 speech by the Secretary of State at Harvard University. This effort was to include countries under Soviet domination, but the USSR refused, leaving the aid to 17 Western European nations. FTP name this post-World War II initiative, also known as the European Recovery Program.

Answer: Marshall Plan (accept European Recovery Program on early buzz)

4. In 1669 German chemist Heunig Brand, who was trying to turn base metals into gold, discovered a new element. He found this element by boiling putrid urine to a paste and then strongly heating it, producing a white, waxy solid that glowed blue-green when exposed to air. FTP name this element with atomic number 15.

Answer: _phosphorus_

5. Located on the Schelde River about 55 miles from the North Sea, this city was founded around the third century A.D. and derives its name from the German for “to throw against”. Its major landmark is the Steen, an ancient fortified castle, and in addition to being a major port it serves as the unofficial capital of Flanders. FTP name this second-largest Belgian city, the host of the 1920 Summer Olympics.

Answer: Antwerp

6. Someone left some crack out in the rain, apparently, on July 12th, 1996, as Robert Downey, Jr., was arrested for buying illicit substances in this seedy neighborhood of Hollywood, California. FTP name this neighborhood, the subject of a song by Richard Harris, covered by The Four Tops and Donna Summer, and named the worst song ever by Dave Barry.

Answer: _Macarthur Park_

7. It is the third play in a series of which the first two have been lost. The first two plays likely dealt with the familiar story of Laius and Oedipus, while in this play Oedipus' son Eteocles insists on fighting his brother. Both of them are killed, and the cursed royal house

comes to an end. FTP name this Aeschylus play in which Eteocles defends the title city from the title warriors, Polyneices and his allies.

Answer: Seven Against Thebes

8. Unlike the majority of Free-Soil Democrats, he never joined the Republican party and instead denounced the Civil War. He won a tough, anti-corruption reputation for helping to break up the Tweed Ring and the Canal Ring, and late in life he left much of the money that funded the New York Public Library. He is best remembered, however, for an office he did not win. FTP name this New York governor and Democratic presidential candidate, who lost the disputed 1876 election to Rutherford B. Hayes.

Answer: Samuel _Tilden_

9. Unix, one of the most popular operating systems, was originally written in PDP-7 assembly language, making it difficult to transport between other systems. This prompted Dennis Ritchie and Ken Thompson to write a language that made Unix easily transportable. FTP name this language, whose precursor's name was B.

Answer: _C_

10. He has been canonized in the Coptic Church despite evidence that he was a ruthless administrator, and was removed from office after engineering a massacre of Samaritans. Mentioned in the Roman histories of Josephus and Eusebius, tradition has it that he committed suicide in Rome. FTP name this prefect of Judea from approximately 26 to 36 A.D., who washed his hands of responsibility in the trial of Jesus of Nazareth.

Answer: Pontius _Pilate_

11. He became the only player to win a Heisman trophy on a losing team as Notre Dame's tailback in 1956. In 1963, he spent a year away from football for gambling, and though his greatest individual success came when he set the single season NFL scoring record in 1960, his greatest team success came later in the decade. FTP name this running back for the great Packers teams of the late 1960s.

Answer: Paul _Hornung_

12. The Pangalanes Canal provides a 400-mile long inland waterway, and major highlands are found in the Andringitra and Ankaratra massifs. The members of its dominant ethnic group, the Merina, are more closely related to Indonesians and natives of the Comoros than to Africans. FTP name this island nation whose cities include Toliara, Mahajanga and the capital at Antananarivo.

Answer: Madagascar

13. Minor characters include Maddalena, Borsa, Marullo, and Sparafucile. Gilda is the daughter of the title character, who is a jester of the Duke of Mantua and a hunchback. FTP name this 1851 opera, based on a drama by Victor Hugo, and written by Giuseppe Verdi.

Answer: _Rigoletto_

14. The first modern system was developed in 1588 by Timothy Bright and used over 500 symbols. French and German versions were developed in the 17th century, and the Pitman system became the English standard in 1837, only to be supplanted in 1888 by the Gregg

system. FTP name this stenographic, secretarial, and note-taking skill which replaces words and letters with brief penstrokes.

Answer: shorthand

15. His sister, Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, became the first female president of the United Nations General Assembly, and his daughter and grandson became prime ministers of their country. He was the son of one of Mahatma Gandhi's lieutenants, a role he later assumed himself. FTP name this first prime minister of India, a prominent leader of the Non-Aligned Movement.

Answer: Jawaharlal Pandit Nehru

16. Adventures of a Young Man, Number One, and The Grand Design comprise this author's District of Columbia trilogy, which demonstrates a growing resentment of the failure of left-wing causes in the 1920s and '30s, causes he had championed along with fellow member of the Lost Generation. FTP name this author, better known for earlier works such as Three Soldiers, Manhattan Transfer, and the USA trilogy.

Answer: John Dos Passos

17. This device was built independently in the mid-18th century by Pieter von Musschenbroek and Ewald Georg von Kleist. It consists of a closed glass vial filled with water with a nail piercing the stopper and dipped into the water, and it showed that an electrical charge could be stored. FTP, name this first capacitor.

Answer: Leyden jar

18. This term, coined in 1904, was deemed to be a major factor in the early growth of European capitalism, and its properties include thrift, efficiency and hard work. Coined by sociologist Max Weber, it referred primarily to the Calvinist doctrine of worldly success as an indicator of election. FTP name this term for the supposed motivating belief system of non-Catholic Christians.

Answer: Protestant ethic

19. She bore the son Plutus by the consort Iasion, and was alternately worshipped as goddess of marriage, birth, and health, and in Sparta also as a divinity of the underworld. Her best-known role, however, was recognized by at least six major planting or harvesting festivals. FTP name this Greek goddess of grain and agriculture, the mother of Persephone.

Answer: Demeter

20. This man, born in Leipzig in 1646, studied law, theology, philosophy, and mathematics at the university there. Though he had done respected work on optics, space, and motion, he was accused of plagiarism by the Royal Society of England in the 1690s. FTP name this man who, independent of Newton, discovered the calculus.

Answer: Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz

21. The Accord of Toros de Guisando allowed her to take the throne. Her potential marriage was a source of much diplomatic tension; though Portugal and France both proposed candidates, she instead added Aragon to her dominion in 1479 by marrying Ferdinand. FTP name this Castillian queen, best known for sponsoring the voyages of Columbus.

Answer: Isabella I (accept: Isabella the Catholic or Isabella of Castile)

22. The stories *The Sad Fortunes of the Reverend Amos Barton*, *Mr. Gilfil's Love Story*, and *Janet's Repentance* were published in *Blackwood's Magazine* by Marian Evans, but were later collected in the volume *Scenes of Clerical Life* under this pseudonym. FTP name this pen-name, under which books such as *Felix Holt The Radical*, *Adam Bede*, and *Middlemarch* followed.

Answer: George Eliot (prompt on Eliot, accept Marian Evans or Cross on early buzz)

23. *Trivial Compromise*, *Headlines*, *In Other News*, *A. Whitney Brown*, *Liz Winsted*, *Godstuff*, and *Five Questions*. FTP, these are all regularly featured on what Monday through Thursday nightly show on the Comedy Central network starring Craig Kilborn?

Answer: The Daily Show

24. In psychology, it seeks to analyze the mind in terms of its simplest definable components. In cultural anthropology, it analyzes cultures based on the relations between large elements. And in linguistics it refers to two distinct schools based on the work of Leonard Bloomfield and Ferdinand de Saussure. FTP give this common term.

Answer: structuralism

25. This area had voted 4 to 1 against a similar proposal in 1979, but by a margin of just over 6,000 votes it voted to create the Senedd on September 18. FTP name this region, whose devolution is a major victory for Tony Blair and whose new assembly will be located in Cardiff.

Answer: Wales

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1. Identify these types of magnetism FTP each.

a) In this type of magnetism, the induced magnetic moment is opposite to the applied field.

Answer: diamagnetism

b) The opposite of diamagnetism, the induced moment is in the same direction as the applied field. It occurs in substances with incomplete electron shells.

Answer: paramagnetism

c) Franz Anton Mesmer postulated this occult force or invisible fluid that emanated from bodies and, more generally, permeated the universe, deriving especially from the stars.

Answer: animal magnetism

2. Given a pair of 20th-century U.S. poems, identify the poet FTP each.

a) Daddy, Lady Lazarus

b) Sunday Morning, The Emperor of Ice Cream

c) A Supermarket in California, Kaddish

Answers: a. Sylvia Plath b. Wallace Stevens c. Allen Ginsberg

3. Given two landmasses, name the strait that separates them FTPE.

a) Spain and Morocco

Answer: Strait of Gibraltar

b) North and South Island, New Zealand

Answer: Cook Strait

c) Iran and Oman

Answer: Strait of Hormuz

4. Answer these questions about the U.S. vice-presidency for the stated number of points.

For ten points each, name the Constitutional amendment that provides for the appointment of a vice president if that office is vacated mid-term, and the only two men appointed vice president under this amendment.

Answers: 25th amendment, Gerald Ford, Nelson Rockefeller

5. Name these paintings based on a description for fifteen points each. If you need the artist, you'll get 5 points.

a) For 15: It portrays 2 young men in contemporary dress along with 2 naked women frolicking in a woodland setting.

For 5: Edouard Manet

Answer: Le Dejeuner sur l'herbe or Luncheon on the Grass

b) For 15: It portrays the commemoration of the annual demonstration of modern surgical techniques by Amsterdam's chief surgeon.

For 5: Rembrandt

Answer: The Anatomy Lesson of Dr. Nicolaes Tulp

6. Identify these economists on a 5-10-15 basis.

a) (Five points) This Cambridge economist wrote *The Economic Consequences of the Peace* and *The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money*.

Answer: John Maynard Keynes

b) (Ten points) After making a fortune in the London stock exchange, he retired at age 42 in 1814 and wrote *The Principles of Political Economy and Taxation*.

Answer: David Ricardo

c) (Fifteen points) A surgeon by profession, he was the personal physician to Madame de Pompadour. The leader of the physiocrats, his major work was the *Tableau Economique*, which attempted to construct a macroeconomic input-output model.

Answer: Francois Quesnay

7. Identify these Henrik Ibsen plays from a synopsis, FTP each.

a) A wife secretly obtains a loan to save her husband's life, then walks out on him at the end of the play in defiance of his attempts at control.

Answer: Doll's House

b) This drama in rhymed couplets follows the title character, a self-centered rascal who remains beloved despite his mischief.

Answer: Peer Gynt

c) A doctor discovers that the town's water is polluted, but he becomes an outcast rather than a hero for spoiling the town's optimism.

Answer: An Enemy of the People

8. FTP each identify the British monarch given their predecessor and successor. Note that none of these monarchs shares the name of either.

a) Richard I and Henry III

Answer: King John

b) Mary I and James I

Answer: Queen Elizabeth I

c) William IV and Edward VII

Answer: Queen Victoria

9. Arrange the following minerals in order from softest to hardest according to the Mohs' scale, F5P each. The minerals are: topaz, orthoclase, apatite, gypsum, corundum, fluorite.

Answer: gypsum, fluorite, apatite, orthoclase, topaz, corundum

10. For five points each and a five point bonus for all correct, identify the largest river that runs through each of the following state capitals.

- a. Harrisburg
- b. Bismarck
- c. Jackson
- d. Sacramento
- e. Salem

Answer: Susquehanna River

Answer: Missouri River

Answer: Pearl River

Answer: Sacramento River

Answer: Willamette River

11. Identify these violinists for 15 points each.

a) This native of Kremenets, Russia, gained recognition after a 1939 concert in New York City. He helped save Carnegie Hall from demolition and was instrumental in founding the National Endowment for the Arts.

Answer: Isaac Stern

b) Born in 1945 in Tel Aviv, he was stricken with polio at age 4 and performed his first public concert at age 10. He was awarded the U.S. Medal of Freedom in 1986.

Answer: Itzhak Perlman

12. Identify these American Revolutionary figures for the stated number of points.

a) For five points, the highly successful U.S. general who defected to the British in 1779 and tried to deliver West Point to them.

Answer: Benedict Arnold

b) For ten points, the British general who captured New York City and who was surprised by Washington's troops at Trenton.

Answer: William Howe

c) For 15 points, the British general whose attacks on military stores at Concord caused the outbreak of war.

Answer: Thomas Gage

13. Given a college or university, identify that school's sports team nickname F5P each and a 5 point bonus for all correct.

- a. New Mexico
- b. Hawaii

Answer: Lobos

Answer: Rainbow Warriors

- c. Idaho State Answer: _Bengals_
d. Illinois State Answer: _Redbirds_
e. Furman Answer: _Paladins_

14. 24. Given a tree's genus name, give its common name, FTP each.

- a) Acer (pronounced ass-er) Answer: maple
b) Quercus Answer: oak
c) Ulmus Answer: elm

15. Identify the authors of these philosophical texts on a 15-5 basis.

- a) (15 points) On The Subjection of Women, Examination of Sir William Hamilton's
Philosophy
(5 points) Utilitarianism, On Liberty

Answer: John Stuart _Mill_

- b) (15 points) A Defence of Free-Thinking in Mathematics, An Essay Towards a New
Theory of Vision
(5 points) Three Dialogues Between Hylas and Philonous, Treatise Concerning the
Principles of Human Understanding

Answer: George _Berkeley_ (pronounced "Barkley")

16. In mid-September, two major diet drugs, fenfluramine and dexfenfluramine, were pulled from the market. FTP answer these questions about them.

- a) Fenfluramine was one half of a popular diet drug combination. Give the common abbreviated name of this mixture.
b) Give the five-letter brand name of dexfenfluramine.
c) Name the manufacturer who recalled these two drugs.

Answers: a. _fen/phen_ b. _Redux_ c. _Wyeth-Ayerst_

17. Answer these questions about the Bengali film director who directed Pather Panchali, The Unvanquished, and The World of Apu FTP each.

- a) First, name him.
b) These 3 films are usually referred to collectively as what?
c) This British and Indian directorial pair have recently re-released his films on video.

Answers: a. Sanyajit _Ray_ b. the _Apu Trilogy_ c. Israel _Merchant_ and James _Ivory_

18. Identify these aspects of Shi'ite Islam FTP each.

- a) This figure, the fourth caliph, is revered by Shi'ites as the only true successor to Muhammad.
- b) Ali's significance also makes for an expanded role in Shi'ite Islam for this woman, Ali's wife and Muhammad's daughter.
- c) Shi'ites recognize twelve of these political and spiritual leaders, all of whom were infallible, and the last of whom disappeared in the 9th century but will return at the end of time.

Answers: a. Ali ibn Abu Talib b. Fatimah or Az-Zahra c. imams

19. Identify these "reich"s FTP each.

- a) A student of Freud, he theorized that sexual potency was the key to a healthy individual in the book "The Function of Orgasm".
- b) This American minimalist composer's major works include Drumming and Clapping Music, written for two pairs of, um, clapping hands.
- c) This denotes the period of time from 1871 to 1918 when Germany was dominated by Prussian Hohenzollerns.

Answers: a. Wilhelm Reich b. Stephen or Steve Reich c. Second Reich

20. Augustus was the first Roman emperor. F5P each, with a five point bonus for earliest to latest, name the next 5 emperors.

Answers: Tiberius, Caligula (or Gaius Caesar), Claudius, Nero, Galba

21. Answer these questions about Bart, Milhous, Martin, and Nelson's road trip FTP each.

- a) When Bart gets a fake ID, the boys take a road trip and choose this Southern city as their destination instead of Disneyworld.

Answer: Knoxville

- b) The signature monument to Knoxville's World's Fair has been converted into a retail shop. What is it now called?

Answer: the Wigsphere

- c) Bart's alibi for the week-long trip is that he has been invited to a particular academic event in Canada. Give its three-word name.

Answer: National Grammar Rodeo

22. FTP each, identify the only Nobel prize winning author from each of the following countries.

- a) India
- b) Colombia
- c) South Africa

Answer: Rabindranath Tagore
 Answer: Gabriel Garcia Marquez
 Answer: Nadine Gordimer

23. Name the author given a pair of works on a 30-20-10 basis.

30: The Respectful Prostitute, The Condemned of Altona

20: Nausea, The Age of Reason

10: Being and Nothingness, No Exit

Answer: Jean-Paul _Sartre_

24. Identify the biologist on a 30-20-10 basis.

30. He described the process of autosexing, by which desirable breeding animals can be distinguished using sex-linked traits, in his 1923 book Heredity in Poultry.

20. He was one of the first biologists to embrace Mendel's theories and wrote the first textbook on his work. Along with William Bateson, he also discovered genetic linkage.

10. Millions of school children learn basic genetics by working with a type of square named for him.

Answer: Reginald Crundall _Punnett_

25. Answer the following questions about a recent hamburger scare.

a) F5P, a deadly strain of what bacteria caused the recall of over 25 million pounds of beef?

b) FTP name the company that had to recall the beef.

c) F5P what major fast food chain was the largest buyer of beef from Hudson's suspect Nebraska plant?

d) FTP Hudson Foods was bought out by what major food corporation following these revelations.

Answers: a. _E_scherichia _coli_ b. _Hudson Foods_ c. _Burger King_ d. _Tyson_ Foods