

SNEWT: Son of QOTC, 1997
Tossups by Pitt Tramps

1) He traveled all over Europe with his close friend Horace Walpole who, in 1751, convinced him to publish his most famous poem. He won fame in the mid 1750s for such works as "The Progress of Poesy" and "Sonnet on the Death of Richard West," and in 1757, he refused an appointment as poet laureate. For ten points, name this author of "Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard."

Answer: Thomas _GRAY_

2) In the late 18th century, French finance minister Jacques Necker coined this term when he announced that the ability of the government to obtain credit was contingent upon the creditors' feelings about the royal administration. For ten points, give this two-word phrase, the title of a famous book by journalist Walter Lippman, which means the general feeling of the populace on any particular issue.

Answer: _PUBLIC OPINION_

3) They are about a micrometer long and composed of a double membrane which surrounds a liquid matrix. Because they resemble aerobic bacteria, scientists believe they evolved from a symbiotic relationship between aerobic bacteria and ancestral eukaryotic cells. For ten points, name these organelles that convert nutrients into ATP.

Answer: _MITOCHONDRIA_ or _MITOCHONDRION_

4) Freedom of the seas. Freedom from fear and want. All peoples may choose their own form of government and not have boundary changes imposed upon them. All nations deserve access to the Earth's natural resources. Humanity should renounce the use of force in international relations, and all nations should disarm after Germany's defeat. For ten points, the United States and Great Britain announced these common principles in what declaration, signed by Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill off the coast of Newfoundland in 1941.

Answer: the _ATLANTIC CHARTER_

5) Evil minions of Don Dorcha, the Dark Lord, kidnap the Little Spirit and break her flute. Good thing bare-chested Irish Dance champion Michael Flatley is there to save the day! This is the paper-thin plot of, for ten points, what show that former Riverdance star Flatley wrote, choreographed, and now stars in?

Answer: _LORD OF THE DANCE_

6) It begins near Kalene Hill in Zambia, meanders in an S shape across Zambia and Angola, and cuts through Mozambique to the Indian Ocean. It passes through the 175-mile long Lake Kariba and forms the great cataract of Victoria Falls. For ten points, name this African river that forms the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Answer: _ZAMBEZI_ River

7) Every year on August 23rd, his worshipers celebrated his chief festival by tossing small fish into an open flame. He was originally the early Italian god of the volcano, and in classical Rome, his was the principal cult of Ostia. For ten points, name this Roman deity of fire whose Greek counterpart was Hephaestus.

Answer: _VULCAN_

8) In 1782, he slipped away from Wurttemberg to see his first play, "The Robbers," produced in Mannheim. When he returned home, the duke imprisoned him for traveling without permission, but he escaped and lived under assumed names for the next eight years until his friend Johann Wolfgang von Goethe found him a teaching post at the University of Jena. For ten points, name this German poet, dramatist, historian, and philosopher most famous for his three-part work "Wallenstein" and his "Ode to Joy."

Answer: Frederich von _SCHILLER_

9) Born Theophylactus, he became pope in 1032, but was so immoral that a Roman faction drove him from office. In 1045, he pulled strings and was reinstated as pope, but his godfather, John Gratian, disgusted by his loose morals, bribed him to abdicate. Three years later, he won the Papal throne a final time, but was soon driven from Rome again. For ten points, name this pontiff, the last of the Tuscan popes, who was legitimately elected to the papacy three times.

Answer: Pope _BENEDICT IX_

10) It weighed 30 tons, covered 1500 square feet, and contained more than 18,000 vacuum tubes. J. Presper Eckert and John W. Mauchly designed it at the University of Pennsylvania's Moore School of Electrical Engineering, and in 1946, the U.S. Military purchased it to help calculate ballistic firing tables. For ten points, name this calculating machine that had no memory but is still considered the first successful digital computer.

Answer: _ENIAC_ or _ELECTRONIC NUMERICAL INTEGRATOR AND CALCULATOR_

11) Tokanohama, "The Noble Flower," is the only other current grand champion, so their bout is saved for the end of every tournament. Born in Honolulu, his given name is Chad Rowan, but he wrestles under a name which translates to "The Dawn." For ten points, name this 460 pound sumo wrestler, the only American ever promoted to the highest rank of yokozuna.

Answer: _AKEBONO_ (Accept Chad _ROWAN_ on an early buzz.)

12) Biographer Lytton Strachey. Economist John Maynard Keynes. Painters Vanessa Bell and Duncan Grant. Critics Roger Fry, Clive Bell, and Desmond MacCarthy. And writers E.M. Forster and Virginia and Sydney Leonard Woolf. For ten points, these figures help make up what early 20th century social circle devoted to artistic and intellectual experimentation and named for a residential district in London where most of its members lived?

Answer: the _BLOOMSBURY GROUP_

13) In 1846, a Democratic Representative from Pennsylvania attached this amendment to a House appropriations bill. The House passed the bill with the amendment in 1847, but the Senate refused to consider the amendment and passed a different version of the appropriations bill. For ten points, name this famous amendment which would have banned slavery in the territory annexed from Mexico in the Mexican War.

Answer: the _WILMOT PROVISIO_

14) Symptoms first appear when the affected person is six months old and include swelling of the hands and feet and enlargement of the abdomen and heart. The disturbances in blood flow associated with this disease often cause infections and leg ulcers. For ten points, name this hereditary condition, found primarily in blacks and people of Mediterranean descent, in which red blood cells change shape when the amount of oxygen in the blood is reduced.

Answer: _SICKLE-CELL ANEMIA_

15) First it was a book that Doctor Richard Hornberger wrote under the pseudonym of Richard Hooker in his Maine office while he waited for patients. Then Ingo Preminger bought the film rights and had Ring Lardner Jr. write the screenplay to the popular 1970 movie version. Finally, in 1972, the television show premiered and ran for 11 years. For ten points, name this institution, the story of the 4077th Mobile Army Surgical Hospital in the Korean War.

Answer: _MASH_

16) In 1808, he founded the periodical the "Examiner" which published some of John Keats's earliest works. 13 years later, in Italy, he founded the journal "The Liberal" whose contributors included Percy Shelley and Lord Byron. For ten points, name this literary critic, essayist, and Romantic poet whose most famous works include the "Story of Rimini" and "Abou ben Adhen."

Answer: Leigh _HUNT_

17) Neo-Impressionist painters used this technique to give certain parts of their paintings heightened luminosity. They replaced traditional brushstrokes with carefully applied dots which seemed to blend together into one color when viewed at a distance. For ten points, name this late 19th century style of painting originated by Paul Signac and Georges Seurat.

Answer: _POINTILLISM_

18) When the Revolutionary Tribunal executed his father, he fled France and became a hero to the Orleanist Party. After Napoleon's abdication, he returned home, and he took the throne of France in 1830 when the July Revolution deposed Charles X. For ten points, name this Citizen King who ruled France until 1848.

Answer: _LOUIS PHILIPPE_

19) She won election to Congress by 984 votes, but her Republican opponent still contends that hundreds of ballots were cast by ineligible voters, including people who were not citizens. For ten points, name this representative of California's 46th District who defeated Bob Dornan in 1996.

Answer: Loretta _SANCHEZ_

20) In 1593 he wrote "A Plaine Discovery of the Whole Revelation of Saint John," the first important Scottish interpretation of the Bible. However, his most famous works are "Rabdologia" which describes mechanical systems that he invented to perform arithmetical computations and "Canonis Descripto" in which he published the first table of logarithms. For ten points, name this mathematician who discovered logarithms and popularized the use of the decimal point.

Answer: John NAPIER

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1) For ten points a piece, name the planet.

a) This planet has the fastest rate of rotation. One day on this planet is only ten hours long.

Answer: _SATURN_

b) This planet has the thinnest atmosphere, which is one five-hundred-trillionth the thickness of Earth's.

Answer: _MERCURY_

c) This planet has the smallest orbital eccentricity.

Answer: _VENUS_

2) Name these people associated with Apple Computers for the stated number of points.

5 pts) Apple has hired this father of the Macintosh to serve as interim CEO, a month after he sold off all his Apple stock.

Answer: Steve _JOBS_

10 pts) Jobs replaced this former CEO who Apple ousted in late July.

Answer: Gil _AMELIO_

15 pts) This CEO of Oracle Corporation claims he would have bought Apple in March if inside information he had wouldn't have made the buyout illegal.

Answer: Larry _ELLISON_

3) For five points a piece, name the six wives of King Henry VIII in order from his first wife to his last.

Answer: _CATHERINE OF ARAGON_, Anne _BOLEYN_, Jane _SEYMOUR_,
ANNE OF CLEVES, Catherine _HOWARD_, and Catherine _PARR_

4) 30-20-10. Name the playwright from works.

30) American Blues; Clothes for a Summer Hotel

20) Night of the Iguana; Suddenly last Summer

10) Cat on a Hot Tin Roof; The Glass Menagerie

Answer: Thomas Lanier "Tennessee" _WILLIAMS_

5) For ten points a piece, name the Impressionist painter from a pair of his paintings.

a) The Absinthe Drinker; A Bar at the Folies-Bergere

Answer: Edouard _MANET_

b) Bridge at Bruges; Towpath at Pontoise

Answer: Camille _PISSARO_

c) The Seine at Bougival in Winter; Misty Morning

Answer: Alfred _SISLEY_

6) Name these African cities for the stated number of points.

5 pts) This Mediterranean city was Egypt's capital for 1000 years after a Macedonian emperor founded it.

Answer: _ALEXANDRIA_

10 pts) This city, Sudan's only port on the Red Sea, lies 525 miles northeast of Khartoum.

Answer: _PORT SUDAN_

15 pts) This city, the second largest in Libya, was named for the wife of Pharaoh Ptolemy III.

Answer: _BENGHAZI_

7) The National Basketball Hall of Fame inducted 7 new members this year.

5 pts) For five points, name the inductee who led the NBA in scoring in the 1980s and spent most of his career with Denver.

Answer: Alex _ENGLISH_

10 possible pts) Now, for five points a piece, name the two legendary coaches of Princeton and UTEP who were finally inducted after appearing multiple times on the selection ballots.

Answer: Pete _CARRIL_ and Don _HASKINS_

15 pts) Finally, for 15 points, name either of the female players inducted into the Hall of Fame, a former UCLA and a former AAU star.

Answer: Joan _CRAWFORD_ or Denise _CURRY_

8) Name these subatomic particles for ten points a piece.

a) James Chadwick identified it in 1932. It has no charge and an atomic mass of 1.0086654 atomic mass units.

Answer: _NEUTRON_

b) Paul Dirac theorized this antiparticle's existence in 1928, and American Carl David Anderson experimentally proved its existence in 1932.

Answer: _POSITRON_

c) It has no charge and negligible mass. American physicists Frederick Reines and Clyde Lorrain Cowan Jr. proved its existence in 1956.

Answer: _NEUTRINO_

9) In the 1824 Presidential election, no candidate won a majority of electoral votes, so the 12th Amendment required the House of Representatives to pick the president from the three candidates who had received the most electoral votes.

a) For five points a piece, name the three candidates who had won the most electoral votes in the 1824 election.

Answer: Andrew _JACKSON, John Quincy _ADAMS_, and William H. _CRAWFORD_

b) Now, for five more points, what candidate finished fourth in the electoral vote tally.

Answer: Henry _CLAY_

c) For a final ten points, with what two-word phrase did Jackson's supporters describe Clay's swinging the election to Adams followed by Adams' appointing of Clay as Secretary of State?

Answer: the _CORRUPT BARGAIN_

10) For ten points a piece, name the I'll give you the real name of French author and you tell me his more famous pen name.

a) Jean Baptist Poquelin

Answer: _MOLIERE_

b) Francois Marie Arouet

Answer: _VOLTAIRE_

c) Louis Marie Julien Viaud

Answer: _PIERRE LOTI_

11) Name the contemporary Brit-pop band from a pair of songs for ten points a piece.

a) "She's a Star" ; "Laid"

Answer: _JAMES_

b) "Charmless Man" ; "Girls and Boys"

Answer: _BLUR_

c) "Do You Remember the First Time" ; "Common People"

Answer: _PULP_

12) On September 25, the World Court announced an inconclusive ruling on a Central European environmental dispute.

First, for ten points, this dispute concerns the right of a nation to maintain a dam on what river, Europe's second longest?

Answer: _DANUBE_ River

Now, for 10 points a piece, first name the country who built the controversial dam in the town of Gabčíkovo and then name the neighboring nation who claims the dam dried up its wetlands and wants it torn down.

Answer: _SLOVAKIA_ and _HUNGARY_

13) For 15 points a piece, name these African empires.

a) It was the first great medieval West African empire, and its capital was Kumbi Saleh. It lasted from the 7th to the 13th century and stretched from the Sahara to the headwaters of the Senegal and Niger rivers.

Answer: _GHANA_

b) This empire eclipsed Ghana and flourished until the 16th century. Its greatest leader was Mansa Musa, and its capital was Timbuktu.

Answer: _MALI_

14) 30-20-10. Name the German mathematician.

10) His father sent him to the University of Bonn in 1834 where he learned fencing and drinking and left four years later with no degree.

20) In 1854, he gained sudden fame and a teaching post at Royal Polytechnic School in Berlin when he published a paper expanding upon the work of Norwegian mathematician Niels Henrik Abel.

10) Known as the father of modern analysis, he devised eponymous tests for the convergence of series.

Answer: Karl _WEIERSTRASS_

15) Name these characters from Moliere's "Tartuffe" for ten points a piece.

a) Tartuffe convinces this dupe to give him his daughter to wed and the title to his property.

Answer: _ORGON_

b) Tartuffe tries to seduce this woman, Orgon's second wife, while Orgon listens from beneath a table.

Answer: _ELMIRE_

c) Orgon's excitable son, he conspires with Cleante to expose Tartuffe's trickery.

Answer: _DAMIS_

16) Name the composers of these opera for ten points a piece.

a) The Barber of Seville

Answer: Gioacchino _ROSSINI_

b) Dido and Aeneas

Answer: Henry _PURCELL_

c) Les Troyens

Answer: Hector _BERLIOZ_

17) Name these scary sounding capes for ten points apiece.

a) Named for the treacherous waters that surround it, this cape extends from the southern tip of Smith Island in South Carolina into the Atlantic Ocean.

Answer: Cape _FEAR_

b) Bartolomeu Diaz named gave this name to the southern tip of Africa. John II of Portugal renamed it the Cape of Good Hope.

Answer: Cape of _STORMS_

c) This cape, noted for its lush wilderness, extends from northwest Scotland into the Atlantic Ocean.

Answer: Cape _WRATH_

18) Name the patron saints on these countries for ten points a piece.

a) Russia

Answer: Saint _NICHOLAS_

b) France

Answer: Saint DENIS

c) Hungary

Answer: Saint STEPHEN

19) From 1906 to 1917, two American anarchists published a magazine that championed anarchy.

a) For ten points, name this monthly magazine, the most popular anarchist publication of its time.

Answer: MOTHER EARTH

b) For ten points a piece, name the two publishers of "Mother Earth." One was a Russian-born woman who was imprisoned for conspiracy to violate conscription laws, and the other was a Polish-born man who tried to assassinate Henry Clay Frick.

Answer: Emma GOLDMAN and Alexander BERKMAN

20) Name the Lake District poet for ten points a piece.

a) His first published works were "An Evening Walk" and "Descriptive Sketches" which he published in 1793.

Answer: William WORDSWORTH

b) He was a fan of 17th century German mysticism and wrote one of his most famous fragments, "Kublah Khan," from a vision he had during a bad opium trip.

Answer: Samuel Taylor COLERIDGE

c) With Coleridge, this author wanted to found a utopian community on the Susquehanna River. But, when the opium wore off, so did the novelty of the whole utopia idea, so instead he kissed George III's royal butt and became poet laureate in 1813.

Answer: Robert SOUTHEY

21) 30-20-10. Name the author from works/

30) Dangling Man

20) Mr Sammler's Planet

10) Herzog

Answer: Saul BELLOW