

SNEWT: Son of QOTC, 1997
Toss-ups by Princeton

1) Its area is more than twice the size of the United Kingdom's, but only 1.4 million people live here. Namibia, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and South Africa border it, and the Okavango River flows through the northwest. For ten points, name this country that was the British protectorate of Bechuanaland until it gained independence in 1966.

Answer: _BOTSWANA_

2) Dylan Thomas used it in "Do Not go Gentle into that Good Night." Percy Shelley used it in his "Ode to the West Wind." And Dante used it in "The Divine Comedy." For ten points, name this stanzaic pattern, Italian for "third rhyme," that consists of three line stanzas with a rhyme scheme of ABA, BCB, CDC, and so on.

Answer: _TERZA RIMA_

3) In his painting, this 16th century Flemish artist rejected influences of the Italian Renaissance and instead painted realistic scenes of peasant life. However, in his engravings, he often depicted monstrous figures and demonic dwarfs. For ten points, name this artist whose most famous series of engravings is "The Seven Deadly Vices" and whose most famous paintings include "Peasant Wedding Feast" and "The Peasant Dance."

Answer: Pieter _BRUEGEL THE ELDER_

4) The real name of this left-wing terrorist group was Rote Armee Faktion or Red Army Faction. However, most people remember it by the last names of its leaders, Andreas and Ulrike who were arrested in 1972 and committed suicide in 1976. For ten points, name this group responsible for a series of terrorist attacks and assassinations in Germany during the early 1970s.

Answer: _BAADER-MEINHOF_

5) His real first name is Walter, but he got his nickname from his bright hair. He began his career announcing for Cincinnati, but in 1939, he moved to New York where he announced for Brooklyn until 1954. For ten points, name this Dodger announcer who coined the baseball catchphrases "rhubarb," "Oh-ho doctor!" and "sitting in the catbird seat."

Answer: Walter Lanier "Red" _BARBER_

6) In the 19th century, French physiologist Claude Bernard advanced this concept and American physiologist Walter B. Cannon named it. Examples include the body's self-regulation of hormone and acid-base levels and the balance in a community between predators and prey. For ten points, name this term for the tendency of biological systems to maintain a state of equilibrium.

Answer: _HOMEOSTASIS_

7) David Ricardo proposed this economic theory in an 1817 treatise, suggesting that yields from agriculture begin to decrease after a certain threshold of capital and labor are applied to the land. For ten points, name this economic law that argues, in its most general form, that adding one unit of input to fixed amounts of others will produce successively smaller increases in production.

Answer: the law of _DIMINISHING RETURNS_

8) He taught school all over Europe until 1963 when he wrote his first novel, "The Collector." The constant theme in his writing is free choice, which he extends to his readers in his most famous novel, a love story written in a fractured narrative form with two possible endings for readers to choose between. For ten points, name this British author whose works include "A Maggot," "The Ebony Tower," and "The French Lieutenant's Woman."

Answer: John _FOWLES_

9) In 1977, Edgardo Diaz came up with a great way to appeal to teen music listeners: why not form a band whose members are replaced when they turn 18. For ten points, Diaz's idea materialised in what Latino band named International Youth Ambassador for UNICEF by the UN in 1984 and whose current members are Alexis Grullion, Abel Talamantez, Andres Blasquez, Edgar Anthony Galdino, and Didier Hernandez?

Answer: _MENU DO_

10) Generals Haig and Joffre launched the first one to relieve pressure on Verdun. Aided by the newly developed tank, the Allies captured only 125 square miles of territory, but effectively ended the Verdun Offensive. General Ludendorff commanded the second, hoping to break through the Allied lines, but General Foch finally repelled Ludendorff's attack after a month-long stand. For ten points, identify these World War I battles, named for the small river in France near which they were fought.

Answer: the Battles of the _SOMME_

11) A five mile footpath runs from Fort William to the summit of this mountain. It stands 4406 feet tall in the Lochaber District of the Scottish Highlands. For ten points, name this tallest mountain in Great Britain.

Answer: _BEN NEVIS_

12) Until 1917, every one of its choreographers except Ivan Valbergh was a foreigner. In the 1890s, it became the first company to perform "Swan Lake" and "The Sleeping Beauty," and in 1935 it was renamed for an assassinated Soviet politician. For ten points, name this ballet company that produced Rudolf Nureyev and Mikhail Baryshnikov and now performs under its original name, the name of its hometown.

Answer: _SAINT PETERSBURG BALLET_ Company (Prompt on _KIROV BALLET_ Company.)

13) This dimensionless parameter specifies the degree of damping in an oscillator and is defined as the energy stored in the oscillator divided by the energy dissipated per radian of oscillation. For ten points, identify this term that shares its name with a recurring Star Trek the Next Generation character and the 17th letter of the alphabet.

Answer: _Q_ (Accept _QUALITY FACTOR_ before the STTNG clue.)

14) Frederic G. Melcher, a coeditor of "Publisher's Weekly," established this award in 1921 and named it for an 18th century English publisher and bookseller. Engraved on the medal that winners receive is an open book with the inscription "for the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children." For ten points, name this award whose winners include Beverly Cleary for "Dear Mister Henshaw" and Betsy Byars for "Summer of the Swans."

Answer: the _NEWBERY_ Medal or Award

15) With an army of 18,000 men, General Howe surprised Washington's army of 11,000 by feigning a small frontal attack and then launching a full-scale assault against the American right wing. Washington withdrew, and the British captured Philadelphia 15 days later. For ten points, identify this battle, named for a tributary of the Delaware river, in which General Lafayette was wounded.

Answer: the Battle of BRANDYWINE CREEK

16) He began his career in 1943 in radio as a White House correspondent for NBC News. 13 years later, he and Chet Huntly started their nightly evening newscast, and in 1981 he changed networks and joined ABC News. For ten points, name this 76 year-old broadcast journalist who retired last week with one final commentary for his Sunday morning show "This Week."

Answer: David BRINKLEY

17) Led by Bertrand Russell and Ludwig Wittgenstein, this philosophical movement held that a statement is meaningful only if it can be experimentally tested. For ten points, name this school of thought that descended from a similarly named movement founded by Auguste Comte.

Answer: LOGICAL POSITIVISM (Prompt on POSITIVISM)

18) "The first act was called daily life. This act is called Love and marriage. There's another act coming after this. I reckon you can guess what that's about." So says the Stage manager in, for ten points, what Pulitzer Prize-winning Thornton Wilder drama?

Answer: OUR TOWN

19) Of course, nothing can travel faster than light in a vacuum, but when some particles pass through a transparent non-conducting liquid, they do travel faster than light travels through that medium. For ten points, these particles emit a bluish glow known as what phenomenon, named for the Russian scientist who won the 1958 Nobel Prize in physics for its discovery.

Answer: CHERENKOV RADIATION or CHERENKOV EFFECT

20) In 1806, he was captured in the Battle of Jena. Two years later, he was exchanged as a prisoner of war and returned to Prussia where he became military instructor of the crown prince and departmental chief in the ministry of war. In 1815, he fought at Waterloo, and after the Napoleonic Wars, he served as director of the War College in Berlin. For ten points name this Prussian soldier, best remembered for his three-volume work of military science "On War."

Answer: Karl von CLAUSEWITZ

21) It was founded in 1977 and is awarded every three years. To be eligible, buildings must have been in use for at least two years in a Muslim community or be inspired by traditional Islamic architectural heritage. For ten points, identify this award for architectural excellence named for the chairman of its Master Jury who is also the leader of the Ismaili Muslim sect in Pakistan.

Answer: AGA KHAN Award for Architecture

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Princeton Bonus questions

1) Name these murdered Archbishops of Canterbury for ten points apiece.

a) In 1164, he rejected Henry II's Constitutions of Clarendon and fled to France. Six years later, he reconciled with Henry and returned to England, but was murdered on December 29, 1170 in his cathedral by four overly emotional knights.

Answer: Thomas á _BECKET_

b) This archbishop was an outspoken champion of the reformation until 1553, when Mary I deposed Lady Jane Grey, whose claim to the throne he had supported. Imprisoned by Mary, he recanted his Protestant beliefs, but then denounced his recantations in 1556, days before he was burned at the stake for heresy.

Answer: Thomas _CRANMER_

c) In 1639, his efforts to introduce the Anglican liturgy into Scotland provoked the First Bishop's War which forced Charles I to summon a new parliament. Six years later, the Long Parliament condemned him for treason, and he was beheaded.

Answer: William _LAUD_

2) 30-20-10. Name the composer from works.

30) Rinaldo; Alcina

20) Xerxes; Judas Maccabeus

10) Water Music; The Messiah

Answer: George Frederic _HANDEL_

3) Answer these questions about the disappearance of Amelia Earhart for ten points apiece.

a) Within a year, in what year did Amelia mysteriously vanish over the Pacific Ocean?

Answer: _1937_ (Accept _1936, 1937_ or _1938_)

b) Who was Amelia's navigator when she disappeared?

Answer: Fred _NOONAN_

c) On what island was Amelia trying to land just before she disappeared?

Answer: _HOWLAND_ Island

4) Identify these math terms that begin with "D" for the stated number of points.

5 pts) This is the $b^2 - 4ac$ portion of the quadratic formula from which you can determine the number of real roots in the quadratic.

Answer: _DISCRIMINANT_

10 pts) A parabola is a conic section equidistant from a point called a focus and a line called this.

Answer: _DIRECTRIX_

15 pts) This is the dot product of the del operator with a vectorfield.

Answer: _DIVERGENCE_

5) 30-20-10. Name the author from works.

30) A Hunger Artist

20) Amerika

10) The Metamorphosis

Answer: Franz _KAFKA_

6) Maybe I'm ethnocentric, but don't you find it funny that the British like to despoil the bodies of their greatest heroes? For ten points apiece, identify the Brit from a brief description of what happened to his body after he died.

a) His men considered an honorable burial at sea too common for this admiral, so they pickled his body in a keg of rum and brought it back home for a state funeral. Then, just before he was laid to rest in Saint Paul's, his loyal sailors drank the rum in a toast to his greatness.

Answer: Horatio _NELSON_

b) He asked to be buried in a small churchyard in Stinsford, but when this poet and novelist died in 1928, everyone else wanted him buried in Westminster Abbey. So, his heart was cut out and put in an urn that was sent to Stinsford parish, and his body was cremated and entered in Westminster. Today, the people of Stinsford claim they buried his heart in a small dignified funeral, but one lingering story says a stray cat tipped over the urn and dined on its contents shortly before the service.

Answer: Thomas _HARDY_

c) This philosopher, economist, and jurist died in 1832, and in accordance with his wishes, his body was dissected before close friends and his head was mummified. Then his skeleton was fully clothed, given a wax head, and donated to University College in London where it remains today in a large glass case.

Answer: Jeremy _BENTHAM_

7) Name these German philosophers from a lesser known work for 10 points a piece or from a more famous one for five.

10 pts) Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics

5pts) Critique of Pure Reason

Answer: Immanuel _KANT_

10 pts) The Birth of Tragedy

5 pts) Ecce Homo

Answer: Frederic _NIETZCHE_

10 pts) An Introduction to Metaphysics

5 pts) Being and Time

Answer: Martin _HEIDEGGER_

8) In the 19th century, the United States allowed five Native American tribes to live semi-autonomously in Oklahoma. For five points a piece, and an extra five points for all correct, name these "Five Civilized Tribes."

Answer: _CHICKASAW, CHOCTAW, CHEROKEE, CREEK_ and _SEMINOLE_

9) For ten points apiece, within 30 degrees, tell me the values for absolute zero on the Celsius and Fahrenheit scales. You'll receive 15 points if you can give the exact values.

Answer: _-273.16 DEGREES C_ (Accept from _-303.16_ to _-243.16_ degrees.) and _-459.69 DEGREES F_ (Accept from _-489.69_ to _-429.69_ degrees.)

10) For ten points a piece, answer these questions about the recent, highly-acclaimed novel, "Cold Mountain."

a) What first-time novelist wrote "Cold Mountain?"

Answer: Charles _FRAZIER_

b) Who is the hero of "Cold Mountain," a wounded Confederate soldier who deserts and walks back to North Carolina to reunite with his true love?

Answer: _INMAN_

c) Who is Inman's pre-war sweetheart who struggles to revive her father's dying farm?

Answer: _ADA_

11) Name these bays for ten points a piece.

a) The Ganges and Irrawaddy rivers flow into this bay which borders India, Myanmar, and the Malay Peninsula.

Answer: Bay of _BENGAL_

b) French explorer Pierre du Guast, sieur de Monts discovered this bay which separates New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Answer: Bay of FUNDY

c) This shallow bay, rich in petroleum, is an inlet of the gulf of Mexico and is bordered by the Yucatan Peninsula, the Isthmus of Tehuantepec and the state of Veracruz.

Answer: Bay of CAMPECHE

12) For five points a piece, name the Five Pillars of Islam. You can name the Pillars in English if you need to, but you'll earn an extra five points if you can give me the names for all five Pillars in Arabic.

Answer: SHAHADAH (profession of faith), SALAT (ritual prayer), ZAKAT (tax to benefit the poor), SAWM (fasting during Ramadan), and HAJJ (pilgrimage to Mecca)

MODERATOR'S NOTE: Accept anything close to the English translations listed in the parentheses.

13) Time to name that Medici! For ten points a piece, identify the member of the Medici family from a brief description.

a) On Easter Sunday in 1478, cutthroats employed by the Pazzi family assassinated him and wounded his older brother Lorenzo.

Answer: GULIANO d'Medici

b) In 1521, this son of Lorenzo the Magnificent excommunicated Martin Luther.

Answer: GIOVANNI d'Medici or Pope LEO X

c) She was the wife of Henry II of France and the mother of the last three Valois kings.

Answer: CATHERINE d'Medici(s)

14) Name these antibiotics for the stated number of points.

5 pts) Sir Alexander Fleming discovered this first antibiotic in 1928.

Answer: PENICILLIN

10 pts) Soil microbiologist Selman Waksman discovered this drug in 1944. It was the first drug effective against tuberculosis.

Answer: STREPTOMYCIN

15 pts) This drug, actually a class of similar drugs, inhibits bacterial protein synthesis. It is effective against urinary tract infections and bronchitis, but it sometimes upsets the balance of resident bacteria in the body, causing secondary infections.

Answer: TETRACYCLINE(S)

15) For five points a piece and an additional five points for all correct, name the five European nations that border only one other country.

Answer: DENMARK, MONACO, PORTUGAL, SAN MARINO and VATICAN CITY

16) For ten points a piece, identify the founders of these American colonies.

a) Georgia

Answer: James OGLETHORPE

b) Rhode Island

Answer: Roger WILLIAMS

c) Massachusetts Bay Colony

Answer: John WINTHROP

17) Name these characters from the musical RENT for ten points a piece.

a) This struggling musician is Mimi's love interest.

Answer: ROGER

b) This working woman is Maureen's lover.

Answer: JOANNE

c) This sleazebag is the neighborhood drug dealer.

Answer: THE MAN

18) 30-20-10. Name the Russian author from works.

30) Zoe's Apartment

20) The White Guard

10) The Master and Margarita

Answer: Mikhail BULGAKOV

19) Identify the art movement from its members for the stated number of points.

5 pts) Roy Lichtenstein; Andy Warhol; Jasper Johns

Answer: POP ART

10 pts) Maurice Vlaminck; Georges Braque; Henri Matisse

Answer: _FAUVISM_

15 pts) Aubrey Beardsley; Antoni Gaudi; Gustav Klimt

Answer: _ART NOUVEAU_

20) I'll name three monarchs, and you tell me their common nickname for the stated number of points. For example, if I say Alexander of Macedon, Peter I of Russia, and Alfred of England, you would say "the Great."

5 pts) James I of Aragon, Muhammad II of the Ottoman Empire, and William I of England.

Answer: the _CONQUEROR_

10 pts) Alfonso I of Castile, Alfonso IV of Portugal, and Boleslaw I of Poland.

Answer: the _BRAVE_

15 pts) Alfonso II of Portugal, Charles III of the Holy Roman Empire, and Louis VI of France.

Answer: the _FAT_