

Wichita State University "Freeze Your Buzz Off"
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TOSSUPS

1. Nephew of the aristocratic Lady Bracknell, Algernon escapes her incredibly dull dinner parties by inventing a fictitious friend named Bunbury, whose precarious state of health required his absence from London whenever his aunt summoned him to attendance. Algernon's friend, Jack, uses a similar ploy in order to win the hand of Algernon's cousin, the Honorable Gwendolen Fairfax, by inventing a fictitious brother named Ernest. FTP identify this satire of Victorian social hypocrisy by Oscar Wilde.

Answer: The Importance of Being Earnest

2. They are two members of the family that was the subject of most of the author's short fiction. One is an intellectually precocious late adolescent who tries to attain spiritual purification by obsessively reiterating the "Jesus Prayer" as an antidote to the perceived superficiality and corruptness of life. The other, her older brother, attempts to heal the first by pointing out that her constant repetition of the prayer is as self-involved and egotistical as the egotism against which she rails. FTP identify these title characters from a story originally published in the New Yorker Magazine in 1961.

Answer: Franny and Zooey

3. It is the collective title of five comic novels, the first two of which were published under the anagrammatic pseudonym Alcofribas Nasier. Of the father and son title characters, the father travels over Europe and other parts of the world fighting wars from which all prisoners are set free while the son, born when his father was 400 years old, visits a land where all citizens have noses shaped like the ace of clubs and a country in which the people eat and drink nothing but air. FTP, identify this mock-heroic chronicle, the first complete edition of which was published in 1567 by Francois Rabelais.

Answer: Gargantua and Pantagruel

4. More seemingly direct and more apparently accessible than his early work, it is considered his last masterpiece and was published in book form in 1943. Each consisting of five "movements" and titled by a place name, "Little Gidding", "The Dry Salvages", "East Coker", and "Burnt Norton" comprise the series. FTP, identify this collection of poems whose author received the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1948.

Answer: The Four Quartets

5. His work was unsigned or written under such pen names as Fitz-Boodle, Mr. Michael Angelo Titmarsh, The Fat Contributor, or Ikey Solomons. A collection of his articles that had appeared successfully in "Punch" as "The Snobs of England, by One of Themselves" was published as "The Book of Snobs" in 1848. FTP, identify this novelist whose other works include: "Pendennis", "The Newcomes", and "The History of Henry Esmond, Esquire".

Answer: William Makepeace _Thackeray_

6. Discovered in 1828 by Jons Jakob Berzelius, it is a soft, ductile, lustrous, silver-white metal in the actinide series that has 12 known isotopes. With atomic number 90, it is important for its potential conversion into the fissionable fuel uranium-233 for use in nuclear reactors. It is also useful in dating the age of the oldest rocks on the Earth as Uranium-238 decays into it with a half-life of 4.5 billion years. FTP identify this element which may bring to mind the Norse god of thunder.

Answer: _thorium_

7. February 26, 1998 in southern and eastern North American and Central America, September 1, 1997 in southern Australia, New Zealand, and the south Pacific; and March 8, 1997 in eastern Asia, Japan, and northwest and northern America are all locations where, FTP, the best viewing of what astronomical event will occur?

Answer: _solar eclipse_

Do not accept: _total solar eclipse_

8. In 1989 the causative gene was identified by teams of researchers in Michigan and Toronto promising more reliable diagnosis. As yet, there is no cure, and treatment concentrates on alleviating the symptoms, which include respiratory and digestive problems resulting from impaired chloride passage through cell membranes. Occurring most frequently in Caucasian Europeans, it is the most common fatal genetic disease of Caucasian children. FTP identify this rare disease of the endocrine glands that affects the pancreas, sweat glands, and respiratory system.

Answer: _cystic fibrosis_ or _cf_

9. He worked under Ernest Rutherford and was the Nobel Prize winner in Physics in 1935. The assistant director of radioactive research at the Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge, he is known for his studies in radiation and radiation particle behavior. FTP, identify this British physicist who discovered the particle in the nucleus of an atom that, since it has no electric charge, became known as the neutron.

Answer: Sir James _Chadwick_

10. It is named after the Yugoslav geophysicist who suspected its presence after analyzing seismic waves from the Kulpa Valley earthquake of 1909. Marked by a rapid increase in the speed of earthquake waves, it follows the variations in the thickness of the crust and is found approximately 20 miles below the continents and about 6 miles below the oceans. FTP identify this boundary layer between the crust and the mantle of the Earth.

Answer: _Mohorovicic discontinuity_ or _Moho_

11. Ravaging 3 1/3 square miles in its first 27 hours, it killed over 250 people and left more than 90 thousand homeless in the previously booming city of about 335,000 in 1871, while aided by winds up to 60 mph. Identify this

event that destroyed at least 17,500 buildings, but ironically, FTP, left the O'Leary's house still standing beside the charred wreckage of their barn.

Answer: the _Great Chicago Fire_

12. Newspapers described this perpetrator as a "half-crazed, pettifogging lawyer," disgruntled at being turned down for an office in the administration. The victim finally succumbed to his wounds two months after the event at the Baltimore and Potomac Railway Station in Washington DC. FTP identify this assassin of the Republican president of 1881.

Answer: Charles J. _Guiteau_

13. Formally proclaimed on July 24, 1929, it was signed by over 60 countries. Some successes were achieved in settling South American disputes, but with Japan in Manchuria, Italy in Ethiopia, and Hitler in central Europe, it became ineffective in the 1930's as it had made no provision for measures against aggressors. Identify this pact, FTP, outlawing war and taking its name from the U.S. Secretary of State and French foreign minister.

Answer: _Kellogg-Briand_ pact

14. The town was surrounded by ramparts and an intimidating array of sixty forts, twenty of which were massive structures constructed of reinforced concrete. Nevertheless, German General Erich von Falkenhayn chose this seemingly impregnable fortress as the focal point for a fierce German offensive, thus beginning one of the longest and bloodiest battles in history. FTP, identify this 1916 battle which raged on for ten months with the battle lines remaining essentially unchanged, and resulting in over one million German and French soldiers being killed or wounded.

Answer: Battle of _Verdun_

15. "There's not as much tension, not as much pain," says Irvin Resenfeld, a stockbroker from Florida who has also tried such prescription drugs as Dilaudid and morphine. "Quite frankly," he says, "this is the best medicine I've discovered." He is one of only eight Americans with the legal privilege, FTP, to use what drug, which Arizona and California gave doctors the right to prescribe in November only to have the federal government disallow in January.

Answer: _marijuana_ or _hemp_ or _cannabis_ (accept reasonable equivalents)

16. Surprisingly, Alan Ladd Jr. at Twentieth Century Fox originally committed a budget of only \$10 million for this movie, whose story a New York Times critic said "could be written on the head of a pin and still leave room for the Bible." Recently, 4.5 minutes of new computer-generated footage have been added to the 1977 version. FTP, identify this movie which hit the screens on January 31st, a few months short of the 20th anniversary of its original release.

Answer: _Star Wars_

17. FAQTP, about four inches smaller and \$10 cheaper than the original, there are now Big Bird, Ernie, and Cookie Monster versions of this doll which had very quickly sold 1.1 million by the end of 1996.

Answer: _Tickle Me Elmo_

18. He was the eighth of the Hebrew patriarchs and lived before the flood. A descendant of Seth, he was the grandfather of Noah and the son of Enoch. FTP identify this man mentioned in Genesis as living to the age of 969.

Answer: _Methuselah_

19. Going beyond the teachings of John Locke, his subjective idealism holds that there is no existence of matter independent of perception; the observing mind of God makes possible the continued apparent existence of material objects. He encapsulated this idea by saying that "to be is to be perceived or a perceiver." FTP, identify this Anglican bishop and philosopher noted for his "Treatise Concerning the Principles of Human Knowledge" and his "Essay Towards a New Theory of Vision".

Answer: George _Berkeley_

20. He studied at the Julliard School and with Nadia Boulanger in Paris and worked with the Indian musicians Ravi Shankar and Alla Rakha. His work is characterized by repeated rhythmic figures that are continually expanded and modified. FTP, identify this U.S. composer of such works as "The Making of the Representative for Planet 8", "Akhnaten", "Satyagraha" and "Einstein on the Beach."

Answer: Philip _Glass_

21. This Bulgarian artist's last name is Javacheff and his works include "Running Fence" which he completed in 1976. In his large environmental projects he alters urban structures or landscapes, giving them a temporary, artificial skin that both conceals and reveals. FTP name this artist noted for transforming the everyday into the ambiguous through his unwrapping of objects.

Answer: _Christo_

22. After 1915 he began to produce radical schemes for houses and apartments, drawing inspiration from industrial forms. In 1923 the first building was constructed according to his principles and his book "Towards a New Architecture" gained wide circulation. FTP identify this French architect born in Switzerland, whose buildings and writings had a revolutionary effect on the international development of modern architecture.

Answer: _Le Corbuiser_ or Charles Edouard _Neanneret_

23. The title character is a Bronx butcher and likable lub who lives with his mother and spends long, lonely evenings with his card-playing pals. He knows something is missing from his life when he meets an unmarried schoolteacher and although they are both plain and painfully shy, their relationship matures into tenderness, then flowers into love. FTP, identify this film which won Oscars for Best Actor for Ernest Borgnine as well as for the Best Picture of 1955.

Answer: _Marty_

24. This psychiatrist founded the American Institute of Psychoanalysis, yet deviated from orthodox Freudian analysis by suggesting that neurotic trends are the result of the formative experiences that create basic anxiety as opposed to being instinctual in nature. Another key was seen to be distinguishing between the real self and the idealized self. FTP identify this American psychiatrist who also proposed that many men and boys express jealousy over women's ability to bear and nurse children known as "womb envy".

Answer: Karen _Horney_

25. Opposing the Marxian view of the preeminence of economic causation, he emphasized the role of religious values, ideologies, and charismatic leaders in shaping societies. His famous "Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism" related Calvinist ideals to the rise of capitalism. FTP, identify this German sociologist and political economist who greatly influenced sociological theory.

Answer: Max _Weber_

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1. 30-20-10-5 identify the author from works:
30: "Plays of the Natural and Supernatural" and "A Book About Myself"
20: "The Titan", "A Hoosier Holiday", and "Jennie Gerhardt"
10: "The Financier" and "Sister Carrie"
5: "An American Tragedy"

Theodore _Dreiser_

2. FTP each, identify the Eugene O'Neill works given clues:
 1. Harry Hope operates a rundown New York tavern-hotel where a ragged collection of alcoholics await the arrival of big-spending Theodore Hickman.

The _Iceman Cometh_

2. It's the story of a woman in her roles as daughter, wife, mistress, mother, and friend whose production employed innovative stage techniques such as stream-of-consciousness soliloquies and asides.

Strange Interlude

3. A woman is reunited with her father who comes to blows with a seaman who has been smitten by her, and she reveals, to their dismay, that she is a prostitute.

Anna Christie

3. Answer these questions about Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice" for 5 points apiece, and an additional 5 points for all 5 correct.

1. What is the name of the Merchant of Venice?

Antonio

2. Who is Antonio's friend who needs to borrow money in order to woo an heiress?

Bassanio

3. What is the casket made of which Bassanio selects?

lead

4. What 2-word phrase does the Prince of Aragon use to describe the subject of the portrait in the silver casket?

a _blinking idiot_

5. Who does Portia's clever "waiting woman" Nerissa marry?

Gratiano

4. FTP each, identify the literary work given clues; you get 5 points if you need the author:

1. Considered one of the world's finest satires, it traces the adventures of social-climbing Pavel Chichikov, a dismissed civil servant out to seek his fortune.

Author: Nikolay Gogol

Dead Souls

2. A man about to board a ship that will take him home after 12 years in a foreign city is stopped by the inhabitants and speaks to them about the mysteries of life.

Author: Khalil Gibran

The _Prophet_

3. The cast of characters includes the sisters Lydia, Mary, Catherine, Jane, and Elizabeth Bennet.

Author: Jane Austen

Pride and Prejudice

5. For 30 points, identify the poet considered to be one of the greatest figures in classical Persian literature, this exponent of Sufism had significant works including "The Orchard" and "The Rose Garden."

Sadi or _Sheik Moslih _Addin_ or Mosleh _al-Din_

6. Identify the atmospheric layers FTP each.

1. Located between about 7 to 30 miles above the Earth's surface, it contains the ozone layer.

stratosphere

2. Located between about 7 to 30 miles above the Earth's surface, the temperature drops dramatically in this layer.

mesosphere

3. The lower part of the atmosphere where living organisms spend most of their time and where weather takes place.

troposphere

7. Answer these questions from physics for the stated number of pts:

For 10 pts each, name the pair of Americans credited with developing

the interferometer to show that the velocity of light is a constant.

Albert Abraham Michelson and Edward William Morley

For 10 pts: This German inventor of the ophthalmoscope for examining the eye was the first to explain how the cochlea of the inner ear works and the first to measure the speed of nerve impulses.

Hermann Ludwig Ferdinand von Helmholtz

8. For 5 pts each, and a 5 point bonus for all correct, given a list of 5 substances, arrange them in order of average "pH" values from lowest to highest: human blood, saliva, egg white, apple juice, and black coffee

apple juice, black coffee, saliva, human blood, egg white
(3, 5, 6.5, 7.3, 8)

9. Until the discovery of 10 additional moons by Voyager 2 in 1985-1986, this planet only had 5 known moons. For 5 points name the planet:

Uranus

Now, for 5 points apiece, name those 5 original moons which were named after Shakespearean characters:

Ariel, Oberon, Miranda, Titania, Umbriel

10. For 5 pts each, and a 5 pt bonus for all correct, classify the following rocks as igneous, sedimentary, or metamorphic:

1. marble

metamorphic

2. granite

igneous

3. rhyolite

igneous

4. coal

sedimentary

5. gneiss

metamorphic

11. Henry VIII was King of England from 1509 until 1529. During that time he had 6 wives. Answer the following questions about them for the stated number of points:

1. For 5 points each name the two wives he had beheaded.

Anne _Boleyn_ and Catherine _Howard_

For 5 points each, which two did he divorce?

Catherine of _Aragon_ and Anne of _Cleves_

For 5 points which died during childbirth and which survived him?

Jane _Seymour_ and Catherine _Parr_, respectively

12. 30 points bonus

There have been only two U.S. presidents who have begun their terms in even numbered years. For 15 points apiece name them, or for five points apiece if you need to know who each succeeded.

Millard _Fillmore_ and Gerald _Ford_

they succeeded: Zachary Taylor and Richard Nixon

13. Given the following list of Holy Roman Emperors, place them in chronological order for 5 points apiece, and a 5 point bonus for all correct.

Otto I, Henry IV, Charles III (the Fat), Frederick I (Barbarossa),
Conrad I (of Franconia)

Charles III, Conrad I, Otto I, Henry IV, Frederick I

14. FTP each, identify the polar explorers given a brief description.

1. In 1955, she became the first woman to fly over the north pole.

Louise Arner _Boyd_

2. In 1936, he became the first man to fly completely over Antarctica.

Lincoln _Ellsworth_

3. He commanded an Antarctic expedition which arrived at the south pole only to find that Amundsen had preceded him by a month.

Robert Falcon _Scott_

15. In just two weeks, nine people in northern California have been poisoned and one has died from eating this variety of highly toxic mushroom. For 30 points, by what two word name is it known?

death cap or _death angel_ or _amanita phalloides_

16. FTP each, answer the following questions about the recent murder of Bill Cosby's son, Ennis:

1. What brand of car was he driving?

Mercedes Benz

2. What color was the car?

emerald _green_

3. He was a Ph.D. candidate in special education at what university?

Columbia University

17. FTP each, supply the real names of the following serial killers given their infamous nicknames.

1. "Son of Sam"

David _Berkowitz_

2. "Boston Strangler"

Albert _de Salvo_

3. "Hillside Strangler"

Kenneth Alessio _Bianchi_ and Angelo _Buono_ (5 pts each)

18. Answer the following questions about Hinduism for 15 points each.

1. Brahma, Vishnu, and Shiva are the chief gods of Hinduism, and together form a triad known by what name?

trimurti

2. The ultimate spiritual goal of Hindus is a release from the cycle of samsara known as what?

mohsha

19. 30-20-10 identify the philosopher from clues.

30: Complaints were made that he accepted bribes from suitors in his court, and he was publicly accused before his fellow peers, fined, imprisoned, and banished from parliament and the court.

20: His major contribution to philosophy was his application of induction rather than the a priori method of medieval scholasticism.

10: His major philosophical works include "Novum Organum" and "The Advancement of Learning"

Francis Bacon

20. 30-20-10, identify the composer from works:

30: "Midsummer Nocturne", "Quiet City", and "Canticle of Freedom"

20: "Twelve Poems of Emily Dickenson", "Symphonic Ode", and "The Tender Land"

10: "Billy the Kid" and "Appalachian Spring"

Aaron _Copland_

21. For fifteen points each, identify the Gilbert and Sullivan operas given the titles of some memorable songs from them.

1. "When I Was a Lad" and "I'm Called Little Buttercup"

H.M.S. Pinafore

2. "Tit Willow" and "Three Little Maids From School"

The _Mikado_

22. FTP, identify the Musical given the title of some memorable songs from them.

1. "Summertime" and "It Ain't Necessarily So"

Porgy and Bess

2. "On the Street Where You Live" and "I Could Have Danced All Night"

My Fair Lady

3. "People Will Say We're in Love" and "Oh, What A Beautiful Morning"

Oklahoma

23. Given a year, you name the actor who won the best actor Oscar FTP, each. If you need the name of the associated movie you will only get five points.

1. 1959

Movie: Ben-Hur

Charlton _Heston_

2. 1980

Movie: Raging Bull

Robert _De Niro_

3. 1954

Movie: On the Waterfront

Marlon _Brando_

24. Answer these questions about Super Bowl MVP awards FTP each.

1. Who has won the most Super Bowl MVP awards (3)?

Joe _Montana_

2. Who was the MVP the third time Dallas played Pittsburgh in the Super Bowl?

Larry _Allen_

3. Who won the MVP in Super Bowl XXXI?

Desmond _Howard_

25. While you may be aware of Freud's Ego Defense Mechanisms, can you supply the appropriate one for each of the examples given, FTP each?

1. Satisfying sexual curiosity by conducting sophisticated research into sexual behaviors.

sublimation

2. Treating someone who you intensely dislike in a friendly manner.

reaction formation

3. Blaming someone else for what you did or thinking that another person is out to get you.

-projection_