

TOSSUPS -- SHOOTOUT CENTER OF THE KNOWN UNIVERSE OPEN/ROLLAPALOOZA 1999

1. There are actually only five species of these, but most have multiple nicknames. For example, the redfish, krasnaya ryba, blueback, and Fraser River are all really sockeyes, and the black mouth, quinnat, tyee, spring, and Columbia River are all chinooks. FTP name this group of fish, whose other members include the chum, pink, and silver or Coho.

Answer: salmon

2. The components are calculated using the Laspreyes formula and then aggregated using value-of-shipments weights from the various industrial censuses. It's among the oldest economic series published by the U.S. government, first appearing in 1902 with back data to 1890. Component indexes include agriculture, transportation, utilities, mining, and manufacturing, with service industry data still considered incomplete. FTP name this Federal index formerly known as the Wholesale Price Index.

Answer: Producer Price Index; prompt for more on early buzz with Wholesale Price Index

3. The title refers to Jadine, the niece of Sydney and Ondine Childs, whose education at the Sorbonne and modeling career have been sponsored by the family the Childs serve as domestics. She engages in a love affair with William Green, known as Son, on the lam for eight years after murdering his adulterous wife. By the end of the novel the jungle begins to overrun the Caribbean estate where all this takes place. FTP name this allegorical 1981 novel by Toni Morrison.

Answer: Tar Baby

4. Additions were made in 1949, adding humane treatment of civilians; 1929, when Germany finally signed on; and in 1925, when poison gas was outlawed. It was one of the sources of authority cited at the Nuremberg trials because among those forced into slave labor by the Nazis were Russian POW's. FTP name this 1864 international agreement whose best-known provisions protected military prisoners.

Answer: Geneva Convention

5. He has a little idol of Yojo. He meets a friend in the Spouter Inn. He has a coffin-canoe made when seized with a fever that burns through his numerous tattoos. Nevertheless, he feels bound to his friend Ishmael and the crew of the Pequod. FTP, name this character in Moby Dick.

Answer: Queequeg

6. This is the theory of electric and magnetic fields and of the interactions of the charged particles that produce them. It also provides the most accurate predictions of any theory any physicist has ever devised. FTP, what is this theory, mostly the combination of quantum mechanics and Maxwell's equation. which shares its abbreviation with a Latin phrase used in logical proofs?

Answer: Quantum electrodynamics [prompt on QED]

7. It didn't matter how weird the instructions got -- he followed 'em. Lie on your left side for 390 days and on your right 40 days? Sure. Cut your hair and beard with a sword and burn or scatter the clippings? Sure. Eat barley cakes baked on human dung? Okay, he balked at that one, but only to ask if he could substitute cow dung. Eat this scroll? Well, wouldn't you if God showed up in a wheeled chariot and told you to? FTP name this Old Testament prophet, who described himself as "a watchman for the house of Israel."

Answer: Ezekiel

8. His notable recordings include deceptively simple versions of *Smoke Gets In Your Eyes* and *I Should Care*, but his blues improvisations have gained him more lasting fame in such works as *Trinkle Tinkle*, *Bags' Groove*, *Four in One*, and *Misterioso*. FTP name this jazz pianist, whose middle name is a geometric solid.

Answer: Thelonious Monk

9. A long-time star of stage and screen, he has his first starring vehicle hitting the big screen this weekend. In it, he musters all of his determination and courage and heads off on an action-packed rescue mission that plunges him into Grouchland, to save his beloved, fuzzy blue blanket. For 10 points, identify this most ticklish of the Muppets.

Answer: Elmo

10. Her novels include such contemporary pieces as *A Matter of Time* and *The Life I Really Lived*. More typical works include *Leafy Rivers*, *The Witchdiggers*, and *The Massacre at Fall Creek*, all set on the Ohio or Indiana frontier. FTP name this Hoosier whose most successful novel was her first, *Friendly Persuasion*.

Answer: Jessamyn West

11. Maureen Faulkner was there on commencement day at Evergreen State University this year; Governor Gary Locke canceled his appearance. The commencement speaker cited the Declaration of Independence, stating that "For any repressed people, revolution ... is a right," and some of the students in attendance exercised that right by walking out of the ceremony or turning their backs on the videotaped speech. For 10 points, identify the speaker, convicted in 1982 of killing Maureen Faulkner's husband, Philadelphia police officer Daniel Faulkner, who has since become a symbol for the anti-death penalty movement.

Answer: Mumia Abu-Jamal

12. One of its cultural influences was the discoveries of the ruins at Pompeii and Herculaneum in the 1740's. Adherents tried to impose strict rules and guidelines to return the linear purity and planned simplicity of Greco-Roman art as interpreted by the Italian Renaissance. FTP name this rigid art movement advocated by Batoni, Ingres, and David [dah-VEED].

Answer: neoclassicism

13. We only vaguely understand how they reduce the activation energies of reactions, but that's what they do. Almost all are globular proteins consisting of either a single polypeptide or of multiple polypeptides held together by non-covalent bonds. The other molecules acted upon by them are called substrate. FTP name this class of proteins that catalyze chemical reactions in living organisms at a high rate.

Answer: enzymes

14. Aspirations are lost. Voiced stops become voiceless. Voiceless stops become voiceless fricatives. These consonantal changes took place between Proto-Indo-European and Proto-German according to this. FTP, whose linguistic law is this?

answer: Grimm's Law

15. In 1650 in Connecticut, they authorized the imprisonment of "common fowlers, tobacco-takers, and other persons who could give no good account of their time," as well as forbidding anyone to give lodging to a Quaker. More recent counterparts have focused on business activities, prohibiting the sale of many commodities, including film, tobacco, and alcoholic beverages on Sundays. FTP what two word term is used to describe such laws?

Answer Blue Laws

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Speaking of which, those of you staying in Chattanooga tonight and hoping to enjoy convivial alcohol might wish to buy it before midnight...*

16. In 1969, he devised an electron capture detector. Interested in the interconnectedness of scientific systems, he stated that the planet Earth probably works like a single organism - a theory he called Gaia. FTP, name this British scientist.

answer: James Loveluck

17. "Suck it in suck it suck it in if you're rin tin tin or anne boley. Make a desperate move or else you'll win and then begin to see what you're doing to me this MTV is not for free its so PC its killing me so desparately I sing to thee of love. Sure but also rage and hate and pain and fear of self." FTP, this is an excerpt from what Blues Traveler song?

Answer: Hook (Prompt on early Blues Traveler)

18. The original commanding general, Sir Ian Hamilton, was relieved after 6 months, and the man who conceived the operation, one Winston Churchill, was dropped from the government. Time and again an initiative was taken, a brief advantage was missed, and another stalemate ensued. The Allies retreated after 8 months and 250,000 casualties -- over 50% of the force sent to this small peninsula on the Dardanelles. FTP name this frustrating battle of 1915.

Answer: Gallipoli

19. He does not sneeze when the Duchess' pepper soup is too strong. He later appears on a croquet court near a hedgehog. His most famous "appearance" is in a tree where he tells how to get to the March Hare's and the Mad Hatter's houses while he slowly vanishes, leaving only his grin. FTP, name this animal in "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland."

answer: the Cheshire Cat

20. He achieved the presidency on a pro-business platform, but once in office he promoted a lower tariff and an expansion of the powers of the ICC. Fully aware of emerging American economic strength, he pursued a diplomatic strategy dubbed "dollar diplomacy." Aside from one major public relations gaffe, most historians consider him a successful but unspectacular president. Voters disagreed, and he carried only Utah and Vermont in his quest for re-election, thus achieving the dubious distinction of being the only incumbent president to finish third in a presidential election. FTP name this 1912 loser.

Answer William Howard Taft