

500 Questions Volume II - Set 8

Of the following chemical elements: Titanium, Sodium, Cobalt, and Iron. For 10 points, which of these is not a transition metal?

Answer: Sodium

This poem symbolizes the human endeavor and the reader is exhorted to build a broader and more comprehensive life, growing with his age and experience. A part of The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table, is a poem that shares its name with a sea creature. For 10 points, identify this work by Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr.

Answer: "The Chambered Nautilus"

Three years of Strategic Arms Limitations Talks came to a climax in Moscow in May, 1972. At that time, President Richard Nixon and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko signed an historic agreement. For 10 points, what was this treaty which limited defensive missile installations on both sides?

Answer: ABM Treaty or Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty

Its symptoms include a softness of the bones, usually in children. For 10 points, what is this disease which results from a deficiency of vitamin D?

Answer: rickets

In the 1980's no Major League Baseball team won back-to-back World Series. In the '70's, however, three teams did it. For 10 points, of those three teams, which one won three in a row, from 1972 to 1974?

Answer: Oakland Athletics

It features the fairies Mustardseed, Moth, Peasblossum, and Cobweb and is set during the wedding of Theseus, Duke of Athens to the Amazon queen Hippolyta. For 10 points, identify this Shakespearian comedy featuring the merry Robin Goodfellow.

Answer: A Midsummer Night's Dream

The financial crisis which he inherited from his grandfather was deepened by his unwise entry into the American Revolution on the side of the colonies. For 10 points, identify this third son of the Dauphin, who succeeded his grandfather to the French throne in 1774 only to have his rule cut short by the French Revolution.

Answer: Louis XVI

This Mexican state is touched by the Pacific Ocean on the west and the Gulf of California on the east. For 10 points, what is this state which borders the United States, and has as its capital and largest city Tijuana?

Answer: Baja California Norte

He wrote the hymn "God Sustain the Emperor Franz" which formerly served as Austria's and currently West Germany's national anthem. Along with Mozart, he is one of the main representatives of the classical style. For 10 points, identify this Austrian composer best remembered for composing more than 100 symphonies.

Answer: Franz Josef Haydn

A notorious failure as a business man, he nevertheless became a power in New England politics by the late 1750's. As a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives from 1765 to 1774, he was one of the first to demand outright independence for the American colonies. For 10 points, name this son of Liberty whose political impact waned after the Revolution, though he served as Massachusetts Governor from 1794 to 1797.

Answer: Samuel Adams

Pencil and paper may be necessary. Consider a trapezoid having the following parameters: Its shorter parallel side measures two and its longer parallel side measures five; these sides are four units apart. For 10 points, what is the area of this trapezoid?

Answer: 14

12. His first important play, *Battle of Angels* was unsuccessful and later rewritten as *Orpheus Descending*. Always considered a controversial playwright, his plays exhibit primitive violence through both real and mythological settings. For 10 points, name this playwright of *Summer and Smoke*, *Night of the Iguana*, and *A Streetcar Named Desire*.

Answer: Thomas Lanier "Tennessee" Williams

13. It was first observed by the German astronomer J. G. Galle in 1846. This after the mathematicians John Couch Adams and U. J. J. Leverrier had deduced its existence from perturbations in the orbit of Uranus. For 10 points, what is this presently furthestmost planet in the solar system?

Answer: Neptune

14. Collatinus was married to Lucrece who was raped by his cousin Sextus. Lucius Priscus built the Circus Maximus and the Forum. And, Lucius Superbus, the father of Sextus, was the last king of Rome whose reign ended in 509 B.C. For 10 points, what was the family name of this line of Roman kings?

Answer: Tarquinius, or Tarquin

15. It has been made artificially from a number of different substances, among them the oil of cloves, asafetida, and a substance found in the wood of fir trees. In its natural form, it is obtained from long, slender, bean-like pods of a tropical orchid. For 10 points, identify this common flavoring used in cakes, cookies, custards, and ice cream.

Answer: vanilla

16. It was founded by Baha Ullah, and its spiritual center is in Haifa, Israel, though it is very popular in African nations. For 10 points, what is this sect/religion which stresses sexual equality, universal education, world peace, and the unity of all religions?

Answer: Baha'i

17. It is home to the largest lake between the U.S. and Peru, the Montañas de Huapi, and most of the Mosquito Coast. For 10 points, identify this Latin American nation that lies north of Costa Rica and south of Honduras.

Answer: Nicaragua

18. He was originally named Goyathlay, which means "one who yawns," but he changed his name and became the greatest of the Chisicahua Apache warriors. For 10 points, who was this native American who led raids in Arizona, was captured and escaped five times before being settled at Fort Sill, Oklahoma in 1886.

Answer: Geronimo

19. By Iasion she was the mother of Plutus, the Greek god of wealth; and by Zeus she was the mother of Persephone, the wife of Hades. For 10 points, who was this Olympian goddess of agriculture and fertility?

Answer: Demeter

20. Her characters include Lupe, Edith Ann, Agnus Angst, and Ernestine. For 10 points, who is this comedienne who had great successes with "9 to 5" and "The Incredible Shrinking Woman"?

Answer: Lily Tomlin