

"WesselMania III" at N.C. State University
Questions by the University of Florida - Team II

Toss-ups

- 1) Charles Sykes designed the first one for Lord Montagu in 1911. Supposedly, he modeled it after Eleanor Thornton, Montegu's secretary. FTP, can you name this sculpture used as the Rolls Royce hood ornament ever since?

Answer: Spirit of Ecstasy

- 2) Over 5 million Americans suffer from this annual ailment, caused by the shorter periods of daylight common to Northern Hemisphere winters. FTP, name this problem treated by long exposures to artificial light.

Answer: Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)

- 3) While Herman Melville's best known for his prose, he also wrote poetry. This poem, his longest, is about religious crisis and is based upon his trip to the Holy Land in 1857. FTP, name this poem.

Answer: Clarel

- 4) Miles Davis is probably best known for the cool jazz sound of his trumpet, but he made some changes in that sound in the late 60's with such albums as In a Silent Way and Bitch's Brew. This new sound, influenced by 60's rock, is known by what name?

Answer: Fusion Jazz

- 5) His 1604 catalogue used data obtained by Tycho Brahe to locate prominent stars and constellations. He also fixed the names of 70 constellations, designating their stars as Greek letters according to descending brightness. FTP, name this German.

Answer: A. Bayer

- 6) He is now known as Muhammed Sharouf, but you remember him as the hot-shooting guard from LSU, late of the Denver Nuggets. FTP, name this NBA player who struggles with Tourette's Syndrome.

Answer: Chris Jackson

- 7) He died from a brain tumor in 1990. Before his death, however, he might have been the only Republican power-broker whose hobby was playing blues guitar with notables such as B.B. King. FTP, name this former Republican Party chairman who made Willie Horton a household name.

Answer: Lee Atwater

- 8) A beam of energetic particles can be produced in a device by allowing charged particles such as electrons or protons to "fall" through a potential difference. FTP, identify this type of electric device.

Answer: Van de Graaf Accelerator or Generator

- 9) In April of 1288 BC an Egyptian Pharaoh marched to the great walled city of Kadesh to incorporate it into his empire. However, he was ambushed by the Hittites and thought that he was defeated only to have one of his lagging divisions come from behind and slaughter the Hittites. FTP, name this greatly embellished Egyptian Pharaoh.

Answer: Ramses I

- 10) This magazine was founded in New England in 1840. This organ for the Transcendentalist movement was founded by Theodore Parker, Margaret Fuller, and Ralph Waldo Emerson. FTP, name the title of this magazine.

Answer: The Dial

- 11) James Fenimore Cooper's second novel, "The Spy," begins his tradition of writing about American topics. It also begins his tradition of literary success. His 1st novel was a study of manners in English society and was a complete failure. For 10 points - what is the title of this failure?

Answer: Precaution

- 12) This technique of deep-sky observation was made possible by the late 1960's microchip revolution and has also been used to detect subtle motions of continental drift. It provides the best visual resolution of any astronomical technique but is expensive because it often involves baselines of over 100 miles. FTP, name it.

Answer: Radio Interferometer or Interferometry

- 13) His first film "My Cousin" was a miserable flop. His second effort "The Splendid Romance" was never even released. Both of these were silent movies, which proved highly unprofitable for this tenor born on Feb 27, 1887. FTP, name this Italian singer.

Answer: Enrico Caruso

- 14) Even though this 17th American Puritan disagreed with the events at the Salem Witchcraft trials, he wrote The Wonders of the Invisible World in an attempt to curtail dissent against Puritan theology. Who was this reluctant author on witchcraft?

Answer: Cotton Mather

- 15) On the 30th of October, 1991, this was the first spacecraft to photograph an asteroid in the broad belt of asteroids between Mars and Jupiter. FTP, name this craft which salutes a 16th century astronomer.

Answer: Galileo

- 16) His 1st major movie appearance was a bit part in "Fast Times at Ridgemont High." He spent some time doing teeny-bopper films but has been doing more mature roles lately, including "Vampire's Kiss," "Firebirds," and a starring role in "Wild at Heart." FTP, name this actor.

Answer: Nicholas Cage

- 17) Ayn Rand is still very popular on many college campuses. She is still talked about not only for her novels, such as The Fountainhead, but also for the philosophy she is said to have started. For 10 points - what is the name of this philosophy that defends capitalistic ideals?

Answer: Objectivism

- 18) This term applies to certain members of the British House of Commons who, although members of the majority party, do not hold government or party leadership positions. They often criticize their won party's bills, pushing for amendments. Their name is probably derived from their seats within parliament itself. FTP, name these British politicians.

Answer: Back Benchers

- 19) This speculative-fiction writer has had quite a varied career. Many of his stories were turned into Star Trek episodes. He's edited 2 very controversial SF anthologies: "Dangerous Visions" and "Again, Dangerous Visions." He's probably best known for the novella which was turned into the cult classic "A Boy and His Dog." FTP, name this writer.

Answer: Harlan Ellison

- 20) The gold rings from fifty thousand slain Romans were collected and the three bushels were poured down the steps of the Carthaginian senate house after this 216 BC battle. In the battle, Hannibal pulled his forces back and the Romans--thinking it was a retreat--attacked. Hannibal's cavalry then swung around the rear of the Roman army and crushed it. FTP, name this great Carthaginian victory.

Answer: Cannae

- 21) He turned down the role of Gilligan in "Gilligan's Island," instead opting for the lead in the cerebral 60's sitcom "My Mother the Car." FTP name this actor who is now featured on "Coach" before his more famous comic brother tells you to "Stop. . . Drop. . . And Roll."

Answer: Jerry Van Dyke

22) The Glorious Revolution is also known as the Bloodless Revolution, although this is a misnomer. James II tried to regain his throne by first taking over Catholic Ireland. However, his plans were thwarted by William of Orange. This famous battle, which was fought north of Dublin on July 12, 1690, is still celebrated every year in Northern Ireland. FTP, identify the battle.

Answer: Battle of the Boyne

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- 1) (20 Pts.) Everyone knows James Joyce for his novels. However, he experimented with other genres. Asking you to name his book of short stories would be too easy, so see if you can name his book of poetry and his play. You'll get ten points for each correct answer.

Answer: Chamber Music, Exiles

- 2) (25 pts) Here is your way-cool rap bonus. Given the name of an "official" member of a rap outfit, you give the group's name.

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| 1. MC Serch | Answer: <u>3rd Bass</u> |
| 2. Trugoy the Dove | Answer: <u>De La Soul</u> |
| 3. Easy E | Answer: <u>NWA</u> |
| 4. Prince Paul | Answer: <u>Stetsasonic</u> |
| 5. Q-Tip | Answer: <u>A Tribe Called Quest</u> |

- 3) (30 pts) 30-20-10 name this American author

1. This author was S.J. Perelman's brother-in-law.
2. His real name is Nathan Wallenstein Weinstein, and his 1st novel is "The Dream Life of Balso Snell."
3. He is best known for his harsh satires "Miss Lonelyhearts" and "The Day of the Locust."

Answer: Nathaniel West

- 4) (20 pts.) Graphite, amorphous carbon and diamond are all different forms of the element carbon. Although they contain only carbon, the atoms are arranged differently and these three forms have different properties. What are these different forms of the same element called?

Answer: Allotropes

- 5) (30 pts) 30-20-10 name the historical figure.

1. He served in the military before becoming tribune of the people in 54 BC. He was one of the consuls when Julius Caesar was murdered.
2. A member of the 2nd triumvirate, he married the sister of a political opponent when his 1st wife died.
3. He has appeared in two Shakespeare plays, and he took his life in 31 BC.

Answer: Marc Antony

- 6) (25 pts.) Gulliver's Travels consists of four books and in each book Gulliver travels to a different nation. For five pts. each list the four nations, and for an additional five pts. put the nations in correct order from 1st book to last.

Answer: 1. Lilliput
2. Brobdingnag
3. Laputa
4. Houyhnhnmland

- 7) (30 pts) Woody Allen's movies have brought joy to many intellectual neurotics, particularly in New York City. Given the name of a character that Woody played, name the movie for ten points apiece.

1. Virgil Starkwell	Answer: <u>Take the Money and Run</u>
2. Alvy Singer	Answer: <u>Annie Hall</u>
3. Fielding Melisch	Answer: <u>Bananas</u>

- 8) (30 pts.) Place these stars in order from brightest to dimmest in terms of absolute magnitudes: Rigel, Beta Crucis, Canopus, Spica, Fomalhaut, Acrux.

Answer: Canopus, Rigel, Acrux, Spica, Fomalhaut, Acrux

- 9) (30 pts) 30-20-10 name the writer

1. He is frequently referred to as the philosopher of Ferney, since he spent the last 20 years of his life in that small village outside Geneva.
2. His anti-clericism, his wit, and his style have made him one of the most famous French writers.
3. His real name is Francois Marie Arouet.

Answer: Voltaire

- 10) (20 pts) Every person has over 4,000,000 of these structures. They contain a central lymph capillary called a lacteal. The lacteal is surrounded by a network of blood vessels. These finger-like structures manage to multiply the surface area of the small intestine by a factor of four. For twenty points, name these nutrient-absorbing projections in the small intestines.

Answer: Villi

- 11) (20 pts) Given a description of a figure from Greek Mythology identify that figure for five points apiece.
1. He killed the chimaera, but was later thrown to his death while trying to reach Mount Olympus.
 2. The husband of Atalanta, he beat her in a race by dropping golden apples which she stopped to pick up.
 3. The daughter of Cepheus and Cassiopoeia, she was chained to a cliff for a monster to devour, but was rescued by Perseus.
 4. He was a highway man who tied his enemies to a bed and either chopped them or stretched them in order to make them fit.

Answer: 1. Bellerophon 2. Hippomenes or Milanion
3. Andromeda 4. Procrustes

- 12) (25 pts) Given the title of a Martin Scorsese film, name the actor who played the lead for five pts. each.
1. Mean Streets Answer: Harvey Keitel
 2. Boxcar Bertha Answer: David Carradine
 4. The King of Comedy Answer: Robert DeNiro
 5. After Hours Answer: Griffin Dunne
 6. The Last Temptation of Christ Answer: Willem Defoe

- 13) (30 pts) 30-20-10 name the year
1. Five U.S. congressmen are shot in the House of Representatives and SEATO is formed.
 2. Dien Bien Phu falls to the Viet Minh and the US Supreme Court abolishes racial segregation in public schools.
 3. Nautilus, the 1st atomic-powered submarine is launched and the McCarthy hearings are televised.

Answer: 1954

- 14) (20 pts) Many engineers thought that the key to longer suspension bridges was to keep the structure light so that cables did not have to be made stronger. The collapse of the bridge in 1940 proved this theory had limits. Designed to withstand winds up to 120 mph, it was destroyed by a 42 mph wind that started wave-like oscillations. After three hrs. of bucking as high as thirty feet, the whole bridge collapsed into Puget Sound. For twenty pts. name this ill-fated bridge.

Answer: Tacoma Narrows bridge

- 15) (30 pts) Everyone knows that Tennyson's "In Memoriam" is an elegy for his best friend Arthur Henry Hallam. Matthew Arnold also mourned the death of his close friend in an elegy. For fifteen pts apiece name the close friend and the title of the poem.

Answer: Arthur Hugh Clough; Thyrsis

- 16) (25 pts) Given the name of a University, give the athletic program's nickname for 5 points each.
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| 1. Marshall | Answer: <u>Thundering Herd</u> |
| 2. East Carolina | Answer: <u>Pirates</u> |
| 3. Rice | Answer: <u>Owls</u> |
| 4. New Mexico | Answer: <u>Lobos</u> |
| 5. UC Santa Cruz | Answer: <u>Banana Slugs</u> |
- 17) (20 pts) He went to Viet Nam. He came back and eventually became governor of his home state. Then he slept with the actress known for parts in "Cannery Row" and "Urban Cowboy." Then he became a senator and now a presidential candidate. For ten pts. apiece name both the politician and the actress.
- Answer: Bob Kerrey and Debra Winger
- 18) (25 pts) This zany French writer earned a PhD in library science in the early 1920s. He made several studies of medieval book-keeping techniques before moving into fiction and literary criticism. He wrote pornographic novels under the pseudonym "Lord Auch" and also philosophical studies such as Erotism. For 25 points name this avant garde founder of the College of Sociology.
- Answer: Georges Batailles
- 19) (30 pts) College basketball has a long and hallowed tradition in the northeast. One city in particular contains five small schools which have had tremendous success on the hardwood. These schools are collectively known as the Big Five and were known for their epic battles at the Palestra. For five pts. apiece name the city and the five schools.
- Answer: Philadelphia; Penn, St. Joseph's, Villanova, LaSalle, Temple
- 20) (30 pts) Give the Marvel Comic book character's name given the name of his civilian name of his alter-ego.
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| 1. Anthony Stark | Answer: <u>Iron Man</u> |
| 2. Donald Blake | Answer: <u>Thor</u> |
| 3. Reed Richards | Answer: <u>Mr. Fantastic</u> |
| 4. Johnny Storm | Answer: <u>The Human Torch</u> |
| 5. Henry Pym | Answer: <u>The Beast</u> |
| 6. Matt Murdock | Answer: <u>Daredevil</u> |