

75 Western Michigan B Questions  
Elvis Memorial (?) Tournament

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Tossups:

1. He is sometimes identified with Hyperion, whom he succeeded. A god of music and poetry, he was also god of the sun. FTP, name this son of Zeus who is better known for his Delphic Oracle.

Ans: Apollo

2. It declared its independence on the same day as Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan did. A predominately Shiite Muslim nation, it has close cultural ties with Iran. FTP, name this former republic of Russia whose capital and largest city is Baku.

Ans: Azerbaijan

3. These treaties created a compromise between the Protestants and Roman Catholics, virtually destroyed the Holy Roman Empire by recognizing the sovereignty of the German states, and established France as a major European power. FTP, what name is given to these treaties that ended the 30 Years' War.

Ans: Peace of Westphalia

4. Last fall when he was asked if he thought Bill Clinton was a capable commander-in-chief, he replied, "No, and neither do the people in the armed forces." Three days later he warned that if Clinton ever came to Virginia, "He'd better have a bodyguard." FTP, who is this senator from Virginia that has a corner on the hot-air market?

Ans: Jesse HELMS

5. Among the Renaissance painters, he is considered the perfectionist. The son of a minor painter, he did his early works, such as Crucifixion, in Perugia before moving on to Rome. FTP, name this artist of "St. George and the Dragon," who was also the chief architect of St. Peter's Basilica.

Ans: Raphael

6. His name is derived from a Hebrew word meaning "God has helped." With his sisters, Mary and Martha, he was present when Jesus ate supper with Simon the Leper. FTP, name this Biblical character whom Jesus raised from the dead.

Ans: Lazarus

7. In 1796 he made his first mark as a serious mathematician by proving the possibility of constructing a regular 17-sided polygon using only a ruler and compass. FTP, name this German who calculated the orbit of the asteroid Ceres, and whose law of magnetism is one of Maxwell's equations.

Ans: Carl Friederich GAUSS

8. Born in London in 1572, he became James I chaplain in 1615 and in 1621 was named dean of St. Paul's cathedral. FTP, name this man known for his spellbinding sermons, the greatest of the English metaphysical poets, whose works include "The Anniversaries", "Devotions upon Emergent Occasions", and "Go and Catch a falling Star."

Ans: John DONNE

9. This brown algae usually reproduces sexually and is a main component in Japanese soups and sauces. New Zealanders use it for fertilizer. FTP, name this algae also known as Gulf Weed and Rockweed, that exists free floating in the Sargasso Sea.

Ans: Sargassum

10. He fathered 15 children during his two marriages, and still had time to serve as representative and senator from Virginia, and as governor from 1825-27. FTP, name this man who helped get the Webster-Ashburton Treaty signed, was often referred to as The Accidental President, and was the first vice-president to succeed to office on the death of an incumbent president.

Ans: John Tyler

11. It is bordered on the south by Guinea-Bissau and Guinea, on the east by Mali, and to the north by Mauritania. FTP, name this country, formerly part of French West Africa that gained its independence in 1960, and whose capital is Dakar.

Ans: Senegal

12. This new windows software program lays out such a non-threatening environment that it doesn't even come with a manual. Bill Gates refused to let his first name be used for it, so the programmers at Microsoft chose a similar name. FTP, name Microsoft's "social" interactive program where cartoon characters lead the user through household computer chores.

Ans: Bob

13. This writer fell in love with the daughter of French surgeon, Annette Vallor. He soon returned to England to write with Samuel Coleridge. FTP, name the author of romantic works such as "Lines Composed a few miles above Tintern Abbey."

Ans: William WORDSWORTH

14. These devices operate by using short-wave radiation generated by a magnetron to cause the molecules in a substance to vibrate rapidly, producing heat. FTP, nuke this question for 10 seconds and name these household devices.

Ans: Microwave Ovens (accept microwaves)

15. After a career as a corporation lawyer, he turned to labor law, where he conducted an unsuccessful defense of Eugene Debs relating to Debs' actions during the Pullman Strike. FTP, name this lawyer, author of "The Story of My Life," who defended Leopold and Loeb, as well as John Scopes.

Ans: Clarence DARROW

16. If you've got a new car, you probably don't have to worry about this engine component breaking down. The main jet, idle jet, flow restrictor and choke which comprise this device are quickly being replaced by fuel injectors. FTP, name this machine, which you probably won't find under your hood.

Ans: Carbeurator

17. Created by the Wagner Act of 1935 this independent government agency oversees labor's right to organize and engage in collective bargaining. FTP, name this board who was recently approached by the Major League Players Association to look into unfair labor practices by the team owners.

Ans: NLRB or National Labor Relations Board

18. He announced that he was an "Anglo-Catholic in religion, a royalist in politics, and a classicalist in literature." FTP, name this american poet whose friend Ezra Pound encouraged him to write his masterpiece, "The Wasteland."

Ans: Thomas Stearns ELIOT

19. She was an American Quaker preacher who helped establish the Anti-Slavery Convention of American Women, but later turned her attention from the abolitionist movement to women's rights. FTP, name this pioneer of feminism who, along with Elizabeth Cady Stanton, organized the Seneca Falls convention.

Ans: Lucretia MOTT

20. The first was signed in 1864, the second in 1906, the third in 1929, and the fourth in 1949. The one in 1949 was sparked by outrage over the treatment of POWs and civilians during WWII. FTP, what name is given to these four international conferences and the treaties signed at them, to make wars more humanitarian.

Ans: GENEVA Conventions

21. This 20th century southern writer's life was cut short by Lupus. Her stories were filled with grotesque characters, bizarre situations, and violence. FTP, name the writer whose works include "Everything That Rises Must Converge" and "A Good Man is Hard to Find."

Ans: Flannery O'CONNOR

22. In Greek mythology, these water nymphs often rose to help sailors lost in storms. The daughters of Doris and Nereus, they inherited their father's shape shifting and prophesying ability. FTP, what name is collectively given to these 50 nymphs, the most famous of which was Thetis, mother of Achilles.

Ans: Nereids (NAIR ee ids)

23. His last words were reported to be "What an artist dies in me." FTP, name this Roman Emperor who came into power at age 16, was tutored by Seneca, and whose interest in fine arts contributed to the burning of Rome.

Ans: Nero

24. The population of this south american country is primarily of Italian and Spanish descent. Jose Artigas led the independence movement there in 1828. FTP, name this country, the smallest in south america, bordered by Brazil and Argentina, whose capital is Montevideo.

Ans: Uruguay

25. A trusted lieutenant of the Ayatollah, he pursued a pragmatic but controversial policy of modernization and economic development, seeking European investments and restoring diplomatic relations with other muslim states. FTP, name this man who maintained Iranian neutrality during the Gulf war.

Ans: Hashemi RAFSANJANI

26. Born in 1867, this american sculptor had grand visions, including one of the largest works of art ever created. FTP, name this man, whose son completed the sculpture of Mt. Rushmore after his death in 1941.

Ans: Gutzon BORGLUM

27. This Scottish track star was one of several gold medalists for the United Kingdom in the 1924 summer olympics. FTP, name this runner who took the gold for the 400-meters in a record 47.6 seconds, and was portrayed by Ian Charleston in the 1981 film, "Chariots of Fire."

Ans: Eric LIDDELL

28. Buddusky, Frank Chambers, Daryl Van Horn, Garret Breedlove, George Hanson, Eugene O'Neill, Jake Gittes, R.P. McMurphy, Jack Napier, and Jimmy Hoffa are all characters portrayed by FTP, what actor?

Ans: Jack NICHOLSON

29. Among his accomplishments include, boxing three rounds with Archie Moore, acting as guard at Buckingham Palace, pitching a pre-season baseball game, and acting as third string quarterback for the Detroit Lions. Before you say Forrest Gump, think again, and name, FTP, this professional amateur and author of "Paper Lion."

Ans: George PLIMPTON

30. This sociologist who lived from 1858 to 1920, wrote "The Elementary Forms of the Religious Life" which was based on a fallacy of modus ponens and which coined the terms social derivation and methodological individualism. FTP, name this Frenchman, founder of modern sociology.

Ans: Emile DURKHEIM

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Bonuses:

1. (30) Time to reflect on the year that is past. FFPE and a 5 point bonus for all five, tell what month each of the following events occurred in 1994.

- A: Death of Kurt Cobain APRIL  
B: First Russian on US Space Shuttle FEBRUARY  
C: Merger of Lockheed and Martin Marietta AUGUST  
D: Tonya Harding is stripped of her title JUNE  
E: A Runaway plane strikes the White House Lawn SEPTEMBER

2. (30) Its time once again to play "Name that Edward!" Given a brief description, tell what Edward is being described, 10 pts. each.

- A: US Nuclear Physicist who worked on the Manhattan Project and advocated the hydrogen bomb.  
Ans: Edward TELLER  
B: The English physician responsible for the practical vaccination against small pox.  
Ans: Edward JENNER  
C: The next-to-last anglo-saxon king of England, the son of Ethelred II who ruled from 1053-1066.  
Ans: Edward the Confessor

3. (30) I'll name a character from an American work and you give me the work he/she is in. 10 points from the character, 5 points if you need the author too.

- A: Character: Peyton Farquhar  
Author: Ambrose Bierce Ans: An Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge

- B: Character: Hepzibah and Jaffrey Pyncheon  
Author: Nathaniel Hawthorne Ans: The House of the 7 Gables

- C: Character: Tom Simson and John Oakhurst  
Author: Bret Harte Ans: Outcasts of Poker Flat

4. (30) Identify the Canadian province, 30-20-10.

(30 point clue) It takes its name from the Cree Indian for "The God Who Speaks."

(20 point clue) It's the lowest in elevation of the 3 prairie provinces.

(10 point clue) Known as the Keystone Province, its capital is Winnipeg.

Ans: Manitoba

5. (30) The AFSCME (af-smee) union is one of the largest and most powerful in the nation. For 5 points each, what do the letters

A-F-S-C-M-E stand for?

Ans: American Federation of State,  
County, and Municipal Employees

6. (30) 7 Presidents never used their veto power. You'll get 5 points each for naming any 6 of these pushover presidents.

Ans: John Adams, John Quincy Adams,  
Thomas Jefferson, W.H. Harrison,  
Zachary Taylor, Fillmore,  
James Garfield

7. (30) 30-20-10, name the artist from his works.

(for 30) "The Analysis of Beauty," and "The Girl in Pink"

(for 20) "Captain Thomas Coram," and "Marriage a la Mode"

(for 10) "The Beggar's Opera," and "The Rake's Progress"

Ans: William HOGARTH

8. (30) I always read the obituaries to remind myself that I'm not dead. FTP each, name the person being described, all of whom died in 1994.

A: Film and TV actor who starred in Breakfast at Tiffany's and The A-Team.

Ans: George PEPPARD

B: Author of novels with exciting settings, such as Tai-Pan and King Rat.

Ans: James CLAVELL

C: President of Rwanda, killed in a suspicious plane crash near Kigali.

Ans: HABYARIMANA

9. (30) Name these Biblical figures from the clues given, 15 points each.

A: He was the grandfather of Noah and he lived to be 969 years old.

Ans: Methuselah

B: He incurred the wrath of Jezebel, the queen of Israel. He was taken into Heaven in a chariot of fire.

Ans: Elijah

10. 30-20-10, name the island.

(for 30) Its largest river is the Mahaweli Ganga which empties into the sea at Trincomalee.

(for 20) Mohammedan legend says that Adam came to this island after being kicked out of Eden.

(for 10) Lying only 18 miles from India, its capital and major port city is Colombo.

Ans: Sri

Lanka

11. (30) I'll give you a brief summary of a work or play and you give me the title for 5 points, and the author for 10.

A: A Wittenberg professor bored by all the academic subjects, decides to sell his soul to the devil.

Ans: "Doctor Faustus"

Christopher MARLOWE

B: A sailor kills a bird and pays for it, not only from the stench, but also by wandering around preaching love to all things made by God.

Ans: "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner"

Samuel Taylor COLERIDGE

12. (30) Given an NHL trophy, for 5 points, tell what category it is awarded for, and for another 5 points tell who won the award during the 1993-1994 season.

A: Hart Trophy Ans: MVP - Sergei Federov

B: Calder Trophy Ans: Rookie of the Year - Martin Brodeur

C: Lady Byng Trophy Ans: Most Gentlemanly Player

Wayne Gretzky

13. (30) As you sit at the College Bowl table, you're probably thinking about the workmanship of the table, chairs, and other furniture in the room. For 15 points each, name the style of furniture being described.

A: This style was popularized along with Rococo in England, and featured intricate and fanciful motifs.

Ans: Chippendale

B: Named for the author of "The Cabinetmaker and Upholsterer's Guide," it took over as the dominant style in England from the Chippendale style, and it was much more simple and classical in form.

Ans: Heppelwhite

14. 30-20-10, name the composer from some works.  
(for 30) The Love of Three Oranges, opus 33A  
(for 20) Lieutenant Kije (pronounced kee-jee) Suite  
(for 10) Peter and the Wolf

Ans: Sergei PROKOFIEV

15. (30) Some mayors are very well-known. FFPE and a 5 point bonus for all 5, given the name of a mayor, tell what city they preside over.

A: Richard M. Daley

Ans: Chicago

B: Richard Riordan

Ans: Los Angeles

C: Rudolph Giuliani

Ans: New York

D: Carol Edwards

Ans: Cleveland (Heights)

E: Steve Bartlett

Ans: Dallas

16. (30) Name these mythological wives, for 15 points each.

A: She remained faithful for 10 years while waiting for her husband, Odysseus, to return from the Trojan War.

Ans: Penelope

B: She fell in love with Cupid, but was told she could not look at him in the light.

Ans: Psyche

17. (30) My roommate Matt had a pet whale a few years ago, and we both learned a lot from it. Let's see how much you know about whales, 10 points for each answer.

A: What is the name of the rows of fringed plates of keratinaceous material developed from the gums that some whales use to catch food.

Ans: Baleen

B: It is the largest of the toothed whales, growing over 60 feet in length.

Ans: Spam

Whale

C: A baleen whale's principal food is small, shrimplike crustaceans. What name is given collectively to these crustaceans?

Ans: Krill

18. (30) Movies about chess aren't that common, so when "Searching for Bobby Fischer" came out last year, I watched it a lot. FTP, answer these questions on the movie.

A: First, name the young American chess prodigy, now 18, whose life is chronicled in the movie.

Ans: Joshua WAITSKIN

B: Josh's teacher, Bruce Pandolfini, is played by what actor, who you might know from his performances in Bugsy and Gandhi.

Ans: Ben KINGSLEY

C: What is the name of the type of chess that Josh grew up playing in Washington Square?

Ans: SPEED Chess

19. (30) My friend Jamie loves the french so much it makes me sick. FTP each, given a french monarch's predecessor and successor, parlez-vous some francais and name the king.

A: Napoleon I, Charles X (10) Ans: Louis XVIII (18)

B: Louis XI (11), Louis XII(12) Ans: Charles VIII (8)

C: Louis V (5), Robert II (2) Ans: Hugh Capet

20. (30) I love to read classic literature in my dorm room on a Saturday night. Doesn't everyone? FTP each, name the author from a few works.

A: "The Book of the Duchess," "The House of Fame"

Ans: Geoffrey CHAUCER

B: "Gargantua" and "Pantagruel" Ans: Francois RABELAIS

C: "The Physiology of Marriage," "La Comedie Humaine"

Ans: Honore de BALZAC