University of Chicago November Packet

Tossups

1. Which London underground station was the intersection of five lines and the busiest station of the system, until a fatal fire devastated it in 1989?
A: Kings' Cross/ St. Pamcrag

2. What is the busiest post office in the world?
A: Chicago (606)

3. What is on the back of the Australian 1-cent coin?
A: a lemur

4. For you dieters, how many packets of Sweet n'Low equals one cup of sugar? (within 2)
A: 12 (10-14)

5. A peanut is not really a nut - instead, it is a legume. Spell legume.
A: legume

6. Who was the author of Litttle House on the Prairie? Full name, please.
A: Laura Ingalls Wilder

7. Tea is grown in only one state in the US, on a climatically unique barrier island. For ten points, name the state.
A: South Carolina

8. In lexicography, this is the term for the object defined, whether it is one word, like "table", or two or more, like "guinea pig". Give this six letter term.
A: lexeme

9. Who won the first Heisman trophy, in 1935?
A: Jay Berwanger (of the University of Chicago)

10. If you were riding with a boy named Milo in a little car with a big dog with a clock embedded in his body, in which children's book by Norton Juster would you be?
A: The Phantom Tollbooth

11. With Halloween behind us, so is another 'holiday' celebrated with arson, in Detroit. Name this night of uncontrolled fires that has troubled Detroit for several years, on the night before Halloween.
A: Devils' night

12. What is the name for the bar entertainment very popular in Japan, where, for a small fee, the extroverted can sing their favorite songs to appropriate accompaniment?
A: Karoke

13. For a quick ten points, Hoshea, Shallum, Ahab, Jeroboab I, Rehoboam, Eshbaal, Solomon, David, and Saul, were all kings over what ancient near-eastern land?
A: Israel

14. The 4000 meter persuit, points race, 1000 meters, sprint, and road are the five major classifications of competition in this vehicular sport. It is one in which teams and the individuals within them both compete at the same time. For ten points, what sport is this, of which two famous competitors are Greg LeMond and Bernard Enault?
A: Bicycling

15. Physics majors are often heard telling other science majors of how all science reduces to physical principles. But mathematicians go one fuirther to say that all physics reduces to mathematics. One example they might cite is that quantum physics, the sacred cow of physicists everywhere, can be based entirely on mathematical formalisms. One such formalism is a vector space such that every quantum statistical state is a ray on that space. Name it.
A: Hilbert space

16. This actor's real life and his acting roles compliment each other in a twisted way. While filming for The Big Chill in South Carolina, he was involved with a woman who after giving birth, sued him for compensation under patrimony laws. Ironically, in the film The Accidental Tourist, this man plays a character who adopts as his own the sickly son of the character played by Gina Davis. For ten points, name the actor.
A: William Hurt

17. Brian Voss, Jim Pencak, Mike Aulby, Tommy Hudson, and Earl Anthony are all recent winners of, for ten points, which national sports title?
A: Professional Bowlers Association Tournament

18. For a quick ten points, assuming you begin at 12:01 am, how many times during the course of the next 24 hours will the hour and minute hands of a typical clock intersect?
A: 22

19. This impressionistic composer was heavily influeced by Far Eastern music and its exotic tonalities. He incorporated these techniques into his works, among them , "Nocturne" and "La Mer". For ten points, name this French Composer, who died in 1918.
A: claude Debussy

20. It consists of a chapel, a passage, and a sarcophagus chamber and is made of stone. It has a flat top and four walls and was used as an Egyptian tomb in the old kingdom period. For ten points, what is this structure called, a word which is derived from the Arabic for "bench"
A: mastaba

21. There are 24 time zones designated on the earth. For ten points, how many longitudinal degrees exist on average between consecutive standard time meridians?
A: 15

22. Ernst Ruska did not get his Nobel Prize in Physics until 1986, 53 years after he invented this important device. For ten points, for what scientific tool was this visionary given the Nobel Prize?
A: Electron microscope

23. This former adult film super star had all of her films confiscated from video stores in 1987 when it was discovered that she was a minor at the time when they were shot.

Recently, she's entered the mainstream film industry in the movie <u>Cry Baby</u> with Johnny Depp. For ten points, who is this up and coming young actress?
A: Traci Lords

24. Joseph Nicephore Niepce made the first paper photographic negative; Sir John Herschel discovered the fixative powers of hyposulfite of soda. Fut for ten points, who was the first to place a positive image on a silver plate?
A: Louis Daguerre

25. This playwright collaborated with George S. Kauffman to write <u>To the Ladies</u> in 1922, a story in which wives emerge as the secret to their husbands' success. He also wrote <u>The Green Pastures</u> in 1930, which gained him the Pulizer Prize. For ten points, who was this American Author?
A: Marc Connelly

U of C November Bonuses

1. The Latter half of the 19th century saw the flowering of the literature of decadence in England; that is, literature that sought to champion the ethos of the Aesthete, and the artist. I will give you the titles of two famous novels written by famous British exponents of Aestheticism; You will get 15 points for each correct author.
Marius the Epicurian   A: Walter Pater
The Picture of Dorian Gray   A: Oscar Wilde

2. Aristotle is justly renowned for the scope and grandeur of such famous works as the Physics, the Metaphysics, the Politics, the Nicomachian Ethics, and the Poetics. However, all of these works are in some measure development on one of his most enduring contributions to Western philosophy, the system of ligic outlined in 5 treatise which are known collectively as the Orgawon. Can you give the name of these 5 treatise? Five points each.
A: Categories, On Interpretations, Prior Analytics, Posterior Analytics, Topics

3. How well do you know your Modern French Critical Theory? I will give you the titles in English of three books, each written by a famous 20th century French cultural theorist. 10 points are yours for each author that you can identify.
On Grammatology   A: Jacques Derrida
The Archaeology of Knowledge   A: Michel Foucalt
Tristes Tropiques   A: Claude Levi-Strauss

4. As all first-year classics students should know, there are five regular cases of noun inflection in Latin. For 5 points apiece, name these five; for an additional 5 points, name the one that does not occur in Greek.
A: nominative, genitive, dative, accusative, ablative; ablative

5. For five points each, name the authors of the following famous epic poems.
The Aneid   A: Vergil
The Iliad   A: Homer
TheShali-Namak   A: Feridun
The Argonautica   A: Appolonius of Rhodes
The Lusiads   A: Cauroens

6. How well do you know your Chomsky? 15 each.
Name his first theory promulgated in 1957 with Syntactical Structures
A: transformational grammar
Name the theory taken from his 1981 lectures
A: Government of Binding or X-bar

7. List the following gasses from highest energy absorption to least absorption: CO2, CFCS, methane
A: CFCS, Methane, CO2

8. Answer these questions about Laura Ingells Wilder.
5 points each - name her 3 sisters.
A: Mary, Carrie, Grace
10 points - in which state was she born?
A: Wisconsin

9. We all know that Emily Dickinson and <u>The Yellow Rose of Texas</u> have a unique connection, but for 10 points each, tell the forever syndicated TV show theme song and the oft-requested Led Zeppelin ballad whose music and lyrics are freely interchangeable.
A: Gilligan's Island, and Stairway to Heaven

10. For five points each, give the words or names behind these programming languages.
LISP   A: List Processing
Pascal   A: Blaise Pascal
GPSS   A: General Purpose System Simulator
APL   A: A Programming Language
SNOBOL   A: String-oriented symbolic language

11. For 15 points, what is the term for a pope whose election has been declared uncanonical, and for 10 points if within five, how many of these have there been since St. Peter?
A: antipope, 39 (34-44)

12. For five points each and 25 points for all four, given the sports measurement and the sport to which it refers, tell specifically what is being measured.
15 inches by 15 inches, baseball   A: size of bases
21 feet from net, tennis   A: service line
160 feet, NCAA football   A: width of field
50 feet, basketball   A: width of court

13. For five points each, given the design on the back of an American denomination, indicate its value.
White House   A: $20
Capitol Building A: $50
Monticello   A: $5
US Treasury Bldg A: $10

14. For five points each, name the city that has these famous hotels
Waldorf Astoria   A: New York City
Golden Nugget   A: Las Vegas
Palmer House   A: Chicago
Grand Floridian   A: Disney World or Lake Buena Vista

15. This ancient physician was the first to provide detailed accounts of dissection and vivisection and his enxyclopedic work became the unquestioned authority on illness and treatment until after the Middle Ages. For 25 points, who was this physician who was born in Pergamum in Asia Minor in 129 AD?
A: Galen

16. For 10 points each, add the following numbers in the base indicated.
11 + 1 in base 2   A: 100
11 + 1 in base 3   A: 12
13 + 11 in base 4   A: 30

17. Name the US Secretary of State who made the unenviable mistake of inviting the Swiss navy to a naval conference.
A: William Jennings Bryan

18. 30-20-10-5, name this contemporary musician from the works he has written
1. Hidden Agenda
2. The First Power
3.Holy Blood and Crecent Moon
4. Rumble Fish, Bombs Away, Miss Gradenko, Contact
A: Stewart Copeland

19. The year after writing, <u>Why are we in Viet Nam</u>, this author ran for mayor of New York City using the slogan, "No more bullshit". Name the author for 20 points.
A: Norman Mailer

20. For 20 points, this English poet had to drop out of Cambridge in 1831 because of family and financial troubles. Afterward, he returned home to write such works as "The Lady of Shallot" and "The Lotus Eaters". Name him.
A: Alfred, Lord Tennyson

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