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TOSSUPS

TOSSUP 1

It relies on puns and anagrams as well as allegory to deliver its message. One story mentions a country called "Langden," an anagram of "England," while a reference to "that great whore, reason" gives the name of the floating island of Laputa. Subtitled "Travels into Several Remote Nations of the World" name, FTP, this work which introduced the race called Yahoos and the land of Lilliput.

ANSWER: GULLIVER'S TRAVELS into Several Remote Nations of the World (by Jonathan Swift)

TOSSUP 2

The daughter of a poet and a ceramicist, this Ohio native most recently had her work "Eclipsed Time" installed in New York's Penn Station in 1994. She has designed corporate logos and part of New York's Museum for African Art, but her most famous work was conceived while still a Yale undergraduate in 1981. FTP identify this Chinese American architect and sculptor best known for a "V-shaped underground wall."

ANSWER: Maya LIN

TOSSUP 3

It was written, produced, and directed by a fertilizer salesman from El Paso, Texas named Hal P. Warren, who also starred. The plot, such as it is, involves a family of three plus a dog who take a wrong turn and arrive at a house protected by Torgo, a satyr, who "takes care of the place while the Master is away." All hell breaks loose, literally, in, FTP, what 1966 film, made famous by Mystery Science Theater 3000, rated by the Internet Movie Database as the worst commercially-released film of all time?

ANSWER: MANOS, the Hands of Fate

TOSSUP 4

Translated into English, it means "When on high." Written during the Kassite period, its seven books were read aloud during the two week-long New Year Festival. It describes the creation of the gods from the waters of Apsu and Tiamat, and Marduk's slaying of Tiamat and Kingu. FTP identify this Babylonian creation epic.

ANSWER: ENUMA ELISH

TOSSUP 5

He was Time's man of the year in 1931, the year he first became Prime Minister of the 3rd Republic of France. Beginning his political career as a socialist, he drifted progressively to the right, eventually becoming Prime Minister of the Vichy regime in 1940. FTP,

name the palindromic politician who established the formal collaboration between occupied France and Nazi Germany during World War II.

ANSWER: Pierre LAVAL

TOSSUP 6

On a vacation in 1925, this physicist left his wife at home and headed for the Swiss Alps, taking with him his notebooks, de Broglie's papers on particles and waves, two pearls, and an old Viennese girlfriend, and set out to save classical physics. While away, he wrote down an equation that described how "matter-waves" behaved. That equation bears the name of, FTP, what Austrian physicist?

ANSWER: Ernst SCHRODINGER

TOSSUP 7

An Englishman, his family claimed descent from the Habsburgs. A writer, he edited the thrice-weekly newspaper the British Mercury. A magistrate, he founded the Bow Street Runners, London's first police force. A playwright, his satires provoked Walpole into passing the Licensing Act, which stifled English drama for decades. He is best known, however, as a novelist. FTP, name this man the author of *Aemilia*, *Joseph Andrews*, and *Tom Jones*.

ANSWER: Henry FIELDING

TOSSUP 8

He was probably of well-to-do origins, Aristophanes' jokes about his mother's poverty notwithstanding. He was supposedly an associate of Protagoras and Anaxagoras, but is best known for his plays, of which we know of 92, only 19 of which are still extant. His work is distinguished by skepticism of Homeric theology. FTP identify this Greek dramatist of the *Bacchants* trilogy and *Iphigenia Among The Taurians*.

ANSWER: EURIPIDES

TOSSUP 9

It has four stable isotopes, the most common having atomic weight 52, and six known oxidation numbers, +1 through +6. Discovered in 1797 by French chemist Nicolas-Louis Vauquelin, it is useful because it's hard to corrode or oxidize. Its compounds tan leather and treat metals, but it's best known as an ingredient in stainless steel. FTP identify this element named for its colorful compounds.

ANSWER: CHROMIUM

TOSSUP 10

It began as the kingdom of Aksum in the early first millennium C.E. Records in that kingdom were kept in two languages: Greek and Gi'iz, a probable ancestor of modern Amharic. Around 1270 C.E., a dynasty claiming to be descended from King Solomon rose to the throne; this dynasty lost power and regained it repeatedly, until finally it ended with the dethroning of Negus Tafari, crowned Emperor Haile Selassie in November 1930. FTP, name the country.

ANSWER: The People's Democratic Republic of ETHIOPIA

TOSSUP 11

He received a doctorate in Manned Space Rendezvous from MIT, a very specialized field well-departed from his military career. This experience proved invaluable during the course of the Gemini XII mission with pilot Jim Lovell, when he replotted an orbit by hand in order to successfully dock with his target. His overzealous father, meanwhile, wondered why he was not the first man on the moon, but the second. FTP, name the astronaut.

ANSWER: Edwin Eugene "Buzz" ALDRIN, Jr.

TOSSUP 12

He was born in Seattle in 1942 and got his start in the music backing Sam Cooke and the Isley Brothers in shows in the early 1960's. In 1966 he moved to England where he joined Noel Redding and Mitch Mitchell and toured Europe. His first big show in the US was at the 1967 Monterey Pop Festival. FTP, name this guitar legend known for such hits as "Purple Haze" and "Foxy Lady".

ANSWER: James Marshall "Jimi" HENDRIX

TOSSUP 13

Name's the same. Cities in New Jersey and California; a once popular English actress; the discoverer of the atomic nucleus; and the nineteenth president of the United States all share in common, FTP, what three-syllable name?

ANSWER: RUTHERFORD

TOSSUP 14

Theoretically, it could affect any organ or tissue, but it most often targets the lungs; it is a frequent opportunistic infection for AIDS patients. The general symptoms of this disease, caused by bacteria of the genus Mycobacterium, are hectic fever and emaciation. FTP identify this disease, whose victims included most of the characters in The Magic Mountain and the playwright Eugene O'Neill.

ANSWER: TUBERCULOSIS

TOSSUP 15

It has a script of 22 letters, all consonants, and, like Arabic, is written from right to left. Western dialects include Nabataean and Palmyrene; Eastern ones included Mandaean, Neo-Assyrian, and Syriac. Still spoken by small groups of Nestorians or Jacobites, it is a precursor to both Arabic and Square Hebrew. FTP identify this Semitic tongue, best known for being the likely language of Jesus.

ANSWER: ARAMAIC

TOSSUP 16

Italian patriots interpreted the imprisoned Jews in his work "Nabucco" as analogous to their role by Austria, and he followed that up with operas about the Crusades and Joan of Arc; similarly interpreted, and

two adaptations of Victor Hugo. His very name was an Italian patriotic symbol and slogan. FTP identify this quintessential Italian operatic composer, who later went on to write "Il Traviatore," "La Boheme," and "Rigoletto."

ANSWER: Giuseppe VERDI

TOSSUP 17

He served in the Russian army from 1854 to 1859 in the vicinity of Semipalatinsk, Siberia, during which time he married Mariya Isayeva. He said that "cities can be either intentional or unintentional," describing St. Petersburg, in his work Notes from Underground. Other works include The Dream of a Ridiculous Man, and The Idiot. FTP, name this author of 1879's The Brothers Karamazov.

ANSWER: Fyodor Mikhaylovich DOSTOYEVSKY

TOSSUP 18

A short form of the Sanskrit for "Great Scholar" followed by a variation on the term "guru," the individual who possesses this title heads the influential Tashilhunpo (Tah-SHIL-hun-po) monastery near Zhikatsé, though there is much debate over just who has succeeded to it; many claim improper influence on the part of the Chinese government. FTP identify this revered title among Tibetan Buddhists, formerly second only to the Dalai Lama.

ANSWER: PANCHEN LAMA

TOSSUP 19

It hosted about 4,500 games over a 58 year span. Located at Findlay and Western in the West End area, it was destroyed in 1972 having hosted its last game on June 24, 1970. It hosted the 1953 All-Star game, was the site of Babe Ruth's second to last game, and was the site of Major League Baseball's first ever night game. FTP identify this former home park of the Cincinnati Reds.

ANSWER: CROSLY Field or REDLANDS Park

TOSSUP 20

He was a corporate lawyer who served a term in the New York State Assembly as a Free-Soil Democrat. Elected governor in 1874, he won national praise for bringing down the Canal Ring and the Tweed Ring and fighting the Tammany Hall machine. FTP identify this political figure, the Democratic nominee in the contested election of 1876.

ANSWER: Samuel Jones TILDEN

TOSSUP 21

Color images - a robin's-egg blue suit, a gray valley, and a green light - all figure importantly in this "Great American Novel" of the Long Island upper class, published on April 10, 1925. In this book, narrator meets such socialites as Meyer Wolfsheim, whose cufflinks are made of human teeth, and sports star Jordan Baker. FTP, identify the book narrated by Nick Carroway.

ANSWER: THE GREAT GATSBY (by Francis Scott Key Fitzgerald)

TOSSUP 22

The first of its ten provisions reads, in part, "above all things he wishes one God to be revered throughout his whole realm, one faith in Christ to be kept ever inviolate, and peace and security to be preserved between English and Normans."; other code provisions include relatively progressive restrictions on slavery and capital punishment. Of course, the author was the illegitimate son of a Norwegian expatriate, so he must have been a breath of fresh air to the Anglo-Saxons he conquered. FTP, identify this historic legal creation.

ANSWER: King WILLIAM the Conqueror's LAW

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BONUS 1

30-20-10, Identify the playwright from works.

30. "The Philanderer" and "You Never Can Tell"

20. "Fanny's First Play" and "Back To Methuselah"

10. "Heartbreak House" and "Man and Superman"

ANSWER: George Bernard SHAW

BONUS 2

Given an island or group of islands, name the country who owns them, FTP each.

A. Reunion

ANSWER: FRANCE

B. Cocos Islands

ANSWER: AUSTRALIA

C. Svalbard (including Spitzbergen)

ANSWER: NORWAY

BONUS 3

Identify these persons or things associated with the U.S.'s entry into World War I FTP each.

A. This French cross-channel passenger steamer was sunk, killing two Americans in March of 1916, leading the Germans to make a pledge to provide adequate warnings regarding submarine warfare.

ANSWER: SUSSEX

B. Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan stepped aside in 1915, complaining Wilson was not committed to neutrality; he was replaced by this man.

ANSWER: Robert LANSING

C. This German foreign secretary authored a sensational proposal to Mexico to enter the war for the Central Powers, intercepted by British agents.

ANSWER: Arthur ZIMMERMANN

BONUS 4

Identify the artist from works, 30-20-10.

30. "Dante and Virgil In Hell" and "The Execution of the Doge Marino Faliero"

20. "The Fanatics of Tangier" and "Death of Sardanapalus"

10. "Liberty Leading The People"

ANSWER: Eugene DELACROIX

BONUS 5

Given the challenger for a U.S. Senate seat, identify the incumbent Senator, FTP each. If you need the state you'll get five.

A. 10: Bob Inglis

5: South Carolina

ANSWER: Ernest "Fritz" HOLLINGS

B. 10: John Ensign

5: Nevada

ANSWER: Harry REID

C. 10: Matt Fong

5: California

ANSWER: Barbara BOXER

BONUS 6

Who can keep all those sports injuries straight? Identify these terms pertaining to the human musculo-skeletal system for the stated number of points.

A. (5) This is the medial and larger of the two leg bones.

ANSWER: TIBIA

B. (5) This is the lateral and smaller of the two leg bones.

ANSWER: FIBULA

C. (10) This refers to a fibrous cord or band that connects a muscle with a bone.

ANSWER: TENDON

D. (10) From the Latin for "bandage," this refers to a band or sheet of fibrous tissue connecting two or more bones or cartilages.

ANSWER: LIGAMENT

BONUS 7

Now it's time to play "Name that Pius!!" Given clues, identify the Pope or Popes named Pius, for the stated number of points.

A. For 5 points each, name any two of the three Pius popes who have been canonized.

ANSWER: Pius I, Pius V, Pius X

B. For 10 points, this Pius concluded the Council of Trent in 1563.

ANSWER: Pius IV

C. For 5 points, this 19th Century pope had the longest tenure in papal history.

ANSWER: Pius IX

D. For a final 5 points, he was Pope during World War II.

ANSWER: Pius XII

BONUS 8

The NHL has expanded again, putting a team in Nashville, but isn't finished yet. Three new teams, two in markets the NHL has abandoned before, are on the horizon, and they already have names. For five points each, name the cities or states and franchise names of these future expansion franchises, for a possible total of 30 points.

ANSWER:
COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS
MINNESOTA WILD
ATLANTA THRASHERS

BONUS 9

Answer the following questions about Our Friends, the kidneys, FTPE.

A. The functional unit of the kidney, it is composed of two parts: the renal corpuscle and the attached renal tubule.

ANSWER: NEPHRON

B. Located between the proximal convoluted and distal tubules, this can descend deep into the medulla, and consists of the thin ascending and descending limbs and the thick ascending limb.

ANSWER: LOOP OF HENLE

C. Anti-diuretic hormone (ADH), which controls water intake by the kidney's collecting ducts, is secreted by this gland, located just under the hypothalamus.

ANSWER: posterior PITUITARY gland

BONUS 10

Identify the composer from a list of works, on a 30-20-10 basis.

30. His oratorios include The Seven Last Words of Christ, The Creation, and The Seasons.

20. Other works include the Lord Nelson Mass and the Salomon symphonies.

10. He also wrote the Surprise symphony, the Farewell symphony and the Dissonant String Quartet,

ANSWER: Joseph HAYDN

BONUS 11

Identify these "50 cent words" learned in law school FTP each. All three have eight letters and begin with the letter "I."

A. This means imperfect or partial - it is used in legal terminology to refer to a contract not executed by all parties or to crimes such as conspiracy.

ANSWER: INCHOATE [pron. in-KOH-ate]

B. In discussions of pornography, it refers to material which is offensive but still considered protected speech because it is not obscene.

ANSWER: INDECENT

C. In Old English law, it was used to refer to a judicial decision made contrary to law; it's now a 50-cent synonym for "naughty behavior," often confused with a synonym for "unfairness."

ANSWER: INIQUITY (do not accept "inequity")

BONUS 12

Given an African country's first leader following independence, identify the nation, for the stated number of points.

A. (5) Julius Nyerere

ANSWER: TANZANIA

B. (5) Kwame Nkrumah

ANSWER: GHANA

C. (10) Leopold Senghor

ANSWER: SENEGAL

D. (10) Hastings Kamuzu Banda

ANSWER: MALAWI

BONUS 13

Identify the actor from films, 30-20-10.

30. "Deep Cover," "Thank God It's Friday," "The Right Stuff"

20. "Vibes," "The Tall Guy," "The Fly"

10. "Independence Day," "Jurassic Park"

ANSWER: Jeff GOLDBLUM

BONUS 14

Given two-thirds of a trilogy, name either the other book in the trilogy for 10 points each or the collective name of the trilogy for 5 points.

A. "The Tin Drum" and "Dog Years"

OTHER BOOK (10): KATZ UND MAUS or CAT AND MOUSE
 SERIES (5): The DANZIG Trilogy (by Gunter Grass)

B. "The 42nd Parallel" and "1919"

OTHER BOOK (10): The BIG MONEY
 SERIES (5): U. S. A. (by John Dos Passos)

C. "Eye In The Pyramid" and "The Golden Apple"

OTHER BOOK (10): LEVIATHAN
 SERIES (5): The ILLUMINATUS! Trilogy
 (by Robert Anton Wilson and Robert Shea)

BONUS 15

Answer the following questions about Athens & Athenian history for the given number of points.

A. 5: What was the port of Athens?

ANSWER: PIRAEUS

B. (10) What sculptor designed the statues and reliefs of the Parthenon, including the 38-foot high Athena Parthenos, made of Ivory and 2545 pounds of Gold?

ANSWER: PHIDIAS

C. (15) An early Athenian dictator, he pushed his 2nd cousin, Solon, out of politics, though he kept and enhanced most of Solon's constitution.

ANSWER: PISISTRATUS

BONUS 16

First, give the four-letter word that fits each clue, 5 points each.

A. An Internet term, it describes a signal sent out from one computer to another to determine whether the intended receiver exists on the network.

ANSWER: PING

B. This sharp sensation occurs as a result of the contraction of an empty stomach.

ANSWER: a (hunger) PANG

C. An early video game, it simulated a round of table tennis between one or two players in black and white. It was rereleased in an updated version for all major platforms in the late 90's.

ANSWER: PONG

D. Now identify the opera which features the characters of Ping, Pang and Pong as three ministers. Give the title, the country where it is set, and the composer for 5 points each.

ANSWER: TURANDOT, CHINA, and PUCCINI

BONUS 17

30-20-10, name the author from the works provided.

30. The Small House at Allington, The Duke's Children

20. Framley Parsonage, Phineas Finn

10. The above are from his two better-known series; "The Parliamentary Novels" and "The Chronicles of Barsetshire"

ANSWER: Anthony TROLLOPE

BONUS 18

Given the quotation from a Tennyson poem, name the poem FTP each.

A. But Lancelot mused a little space
 He said, "She has a lovely face;
 God in his mercy lend her grace"

ANSWER: The LADY OF SHALOTT

B. For many a petty king ere Arthur came
 Ruled in this isle, and ever waging war
 Each upon the other wasted all the land

ANSWER: IDYLLS OF THE KING
 (specifically, The COMING OF ARTHUR
 -- impressive alternative)

C. For our men gallopt up with a cheer and a shout,
 And the Russian surged and wavered and reel'd,
 Up the hill, up the hill, up the hill, out of the field

ANSWER: The CHARGE OF THE HEAVY BRIGADE at Balaclava
 (NOTE!!!! NOT "The Charge of the Light Brigade")

BONUS 19

Van Halen is not the only metal group to change lead singers. Given two lead singers in a band, you name the band, for the stated number of points.

A. (5) Ozzy Osbourne and Ronnie James Dio

ANSWER: BLACK SABBATH

B. (10) Bon Scott and Brian Johnson

ANSWER: AC/DC

C. (15) Joey Belladonna and John Bush

ANSWER: ANTHRAX

BONUS 20

30-20-10-5, identify the historical figure from the clues.

30. He commanded the National Guard that helped overthrow Charles X and install Louis-Phillipe.

20. He lost his standing among supporters of the Revolution when his troops fired on protesters who demanded Louis XVI's abdication in 1791.

10. He drafted the Declaration of the Rights of Man and Citizen, approved while he was appointed to head France's National Guard in 1789.

5. He's best known in the U.S. as a Revolutionary War major general.

ANSWER: Le Marquis de LAFAYETTE or
Marie-Joseph-Paul-Yves-Roch-Gilbert DU MOTIER

BONUS 21

Answer the following about the Norse apocalypse for the stated number of points.

A. (5) Give either the Norse name for the apocalypse or the German name Richard Wagner gave the same event.

ANSWER: RAGNAROK or GOTTERDAMMERUNG (Twilight of the Gods)

B. (5) This trickster god leads the giants and demons.

ANSWER: LOKI

C. (5) Killed by Loki, this god of light and spring will rise from the dead to fight with the gods.

ANSWER: BALDUR

D. (15) From a tree at the center of the world will emerge two people, who will repopulate the world. Identify all three for five points each.

ANSWER: YGGDRASIL (the world tree);
LIF (or life) and LIFTHRASIR (or vitality)

BONUS 22

First, for five points each, name the two nations fighting over each of the following currently disputed territories.

A. Ogaden

ANSWER: ETHIOPIA and SOMALIA

B. Hawar Islands

ANSWER: BAHRAIN and QATAR

Second, which islands in the South China Sea, thought to have oil reserves, are now claimed by China, Taiwan, Vietnam, the Phillipines, Malaysia, Brunei, and possibly other countries as well?

ANSWER: The SPRATLY ISLANDS