

Minnesota Tossups

1. Participants in this sport, also known as shredders, got their first chance to go for the gold last February at the Nagano (Nahg-uh-no) Winter Olympics. American hopefuls included Lisa Kosglow in the Giant Slalom and Ross Powers in the Halfpipe. FTP, name this sport which is a winter version of an activity frequently sung about by The Beach Boys.

Answer: Snowboarding

2. The biblical name's the same. One was the wife of Zebedee and mother of the apostles James and John. The other was a relative of Herod the Great and whose dancing at Herod Antipas's birthday was good, she was able to request the death of John the Baptist. FTP, give the common name.

Answer: Salome

3. A new antibody, CA2, was recently approved by the FDA advisory committee to treat this disease that affects an estimated 400,000 people. The new drug, marketed as Avakine, could replace the common steroid treatment for this digestive tract disease. Symptoms include diarrhea, digestive tract pain and weight loss. For ten points, name this disease in which severe cases are treated by removing part of the digestive tract.

Answer: Crohn's disease

4. This organization committed the first documented cyber-terrorism by sending hundreds of emails in two weeks to the embassies of its Sinhalese enemy, the government of Sri Lanka. For ten points, name this organization seeking an independent state.

Answer: Tamil Tigers

5. The sea level was still high, and most of North America was flooded by shallow inland seas. There is evidence of rapid climactic cooling and glaciation in Gondwanaland, and the Iapetus Sea closes. The first jawless fishes appear, and their major predators were nautiloids and starfish. FTP, name the period which occurred from 505-438 million years ago and immediately followed the Cambrian.

Answer: Ordovician

6. He received plenty of attention for "Love!Valour!Compassion!" and won 4 Tonys for "Ragtime". Now he's gaining more fame through the protests of his latest play, which portrays Jesus of Nazareth in gay relationships, not just happy ones. For ten points, name this playwright.

Answer: Terrance McNally

7. His early portraits were an affront to the New York abstractionists in their stark black and white depiction of the subjects, and in the use of photo realism to recreate almost DMV quality pictures on a massive

scale. His later work has continued the use of almost banal images on a large scale, however the controlling grid has become more prominent, the portraits consisting of a series of whorls and circles. FTP, name this modern painter, no relation to the actress Glenn, who's particular later style has must to do with his confinement to a wheelchair after a stroke.

Answer: Chuck Close

8. Stilwell called him the President of the Peanut. His study of Marxism influenced him to attempt to murder all the communists in Nanking. Under Sun Yet Sen, he was the military leader of the Kuo Min Tang. FTP, name this Generalissimo of the Republic of China.

Answer: Chiang Kai Shek

9. Elvis gave him his first big break in 1970 and he had 26 country #1 hits. His song "American Boy" was used by the Dole presidential campaign, and another big hit was "Drivin' My Life Away". He died at age 56 with lung cancer this spring. For ten points, hop to the buzzer and name him.

Answer: Eddie Rabbit

10. To focus more time on information technology and writing skills, the U.S. Naval Academy no longer teaches the course "Celestial Navigation", which featured an instrument which has guided sailors for centuries. For ten points name this item used for "shooting stars".

Answer: Sextant

11. This man was offered a seat on the U.S. Supreme Court by Truman but turned it down for a lucrative private practice. Though he had supported Johnson's policy in Vietnam, he advised the President to pull out after he replaced Robert McNamara as Secretary of Defense. FTP, name this recently deceased advisor of Democratic presidents who was indicted but acquitted for his role in the BCCI bank scandal.

Answer: Clark Clifford

12. A representative from New York from 1909 to 1911; another representative from 1969 to 1995 and the ranking Republican on the House Judiciary Committee starting in 1983; yet another representative from 1920 to 1945 and opponent of Franklin Roosevelt. All these men share the same name with a Dead Republican, and are direct descendants of, a man who was Governor of New York from 1849 to 1851. FTP, name this Secretary of State of Ulysses S. Grant who is no relation to Abe Vigoda's character on Barney Miller.

Answer: Hamilton Fish

**13. The chromosomes shorten as synapsis aligns homologous pairs. Chiasmata (kee-oz-MAH-tah) form, and then the homologous chromosomes move to opposite poles. The cell divides, and then after a brief pause, the chromosomes condense again and kinetochores of the paired chromatids line up, and then the chromatids themselves separate. Finally, the

cell divides for a second time in the conclusion to, FTP, what cellular division process?

Answer: Meiosis (accept "Prophase I" or "Meiosis I" on buzz which precedes "condense again")

14. Elva Dryer, the 1997 U.S. 3000 meter track and field champion, may wish this company's financial woes had hit sooner. Dryer was injured filming an ad for the company, which recently announced it will cut athletic endorsement spending in half. For ten points, name this company lead by Philip Knight.

Answer: Nike

15. Grannicus, Issus, and Guagemela were a few of his greatest victories. Most of what we know of him comes from the writers Arrian and Plutarch. Egypt proclaimed him king without so much as an unkind word. FTP, name this conquering son of Philip of Macedonia.

Answer: Alexander the Great

16. College basketball teams traditionally don't go to Anchorage, Alaska to recruit, but that's exactly where this powerhouse found current starting guard Trajan Langdon. They found his high-scoring teammates Elton Brand and Mike Chappell from the more traditional states of New York and Michigan, respectively. FTP, name this team that once went to the home of a former NFL great to recruit his son, Grant Hill.

Answer: Duke

17. Interestingly it was created in 1924 in a Tijuana, Mexico restaurant by its owner Mr. Cardini. The special dressing is a garlic vinaigrette made with worcestershire sauce and lemon juice. Other ingredients include grated Parmesan cheese, croutons, a coddled egg, greens and sometimes anchovies. FTP, name this salad that uses Mr. Cardini's first name.

Answer: Caesar salad

18. It can cause damage to the liver, lymph glands, and spine. It's primary focus, though, is the lungs, where it causes numerous small lesions to appear, hence its name. FTP, name this fashionable pulmonary disease that was eventually the end of Doc Holliday and countless literary personages.

Answer: Tuberculosis

19. On this past October 12th at 5 am EDT, this man said that due to a terrible, threatening event, he was permanently signing off from his broadcast that came from his home in Pahrump, Nevada. One fan commented that 'It's possible that he stumbled onto something the government didn't want the rest of us to know about,' FTP, name the radio host who specialized in the unusual and the paranormal with his show Coast To Coast."

Answer: Art Bell

20. In a recent New Yorker editorial, she claimed that with his roots in poverty and his love of junk food and the saxophone and many other reasons, Bill Clinton is America's first black president. With her new novel "Paradise" and the film version of her Pulitzer Prize-winning book "Beloved" out, she's really in the news these days. FTP, name the author of the "Song of Solomon."

Answer: Toni Morrison

21. The three counties that make up this region share their names with the most populous county in Illinois, the county due north of that county and the most populous county in Missouri. The region's name comes from its triangular shape. FTP, name this area in Northeastern Minnesota which shares its name with the stadium where the Kansas City Chiefs play their home games.

Answer: Arrowhead

22. Interestingly, the first International Zionist Conference was held in this country one hundred years ago this year. That conference began the process that eventually established the nation of Israel. That host nation later generated outrage among citizens of Israel with some bank dealings that were finally settled this past year. FTP, name the country whose banks hoodwinked Holocaust survivors out of money.

Answer: Switzerland

23. He analyzed the notion of time, and his work "Time and Free Will" had a profound influence on Marcel Proust, whose cousin he married. He believed in direct intuition as a means of attaining knowledge and developed what has been called a "process philosophy," which is expounded in 1913's "Creative Evolution." FTP, name this French philosopher who was awarded the 1927 Nobel Prize in Literature.

Answer: Henri-Louis Bergson

24. The College Bowl Company puts out a really inferior product. Do you strongly agree with this statement, agree with it, feel neutral about it, disagree with the statement or strongly disagree with it? Keep your opinion to yourself, but FTP, that kind of attitude scale question can be attributed to what social science researcher?

Answer: Rensis Likert

25. It can reduce a full CD track to a file of 3-4 megabytes, while preserving audio fidelity. While a player such as WinAmp is required for its use, most players are freeware, and lend much to the popularity of, FTP, what compression format that has come under fire from the Recording Industry Association for the myriad copyright violating opportunities it presents?

Answer: MPEG Layer 3 (Accept also MPEG-3 or MP3)