

1998 Paul Bunyan Tournament

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1. If a dish is given the name "jumps into the mouth," you just know it's got to be delicious. This dish is made from veal and ham wrapped together and sautéed in butter and sage. For 10 points—what is this Italian delicacy called?

answer: Saltimbocca

2. This emperor's ascendance to the throne ended the first great threat to Rome's *Pax Romana*. His dynasty, the Flavian, was cut short by his son Titus' short reign and by the inability of his other son, Domitian, to get along with the Senate. For 10 points—name this Roman who was the last ruler during the year of the four emperors.

answer: Vespasian or Titus Flavius Vespasianus

3. The recent discovery of a planet circling a star of this type suggests that planets must be very common, because this is the most common type of star in the galaxy. They can burn for 50 billion years, belong to spectral class M, and on the Hertzsprung-Russell diagram fall at the low end of the main sequence. For 10 points—give the common name for this type of star, characterized by a very low mass and temperature.

answer: Red Dwarf

4. It's no wonder this playwright was an alcoholic: he had a tragic love affair with Louise Bryant, the paramour of John Reed. Because of his disdain for Charlie Chaplin's personality and films, he never saw the grandchildren produced by his daughter Oona's marriage to Chaplin. For 10 points—who is this man, creator of *Desire Under the Elms* and *Strange Interlude*?

answer: Eugene O'Neill

5. The word is Hebrew for "commandment." God instructed the Jews to inscribe his commandments on the doorposts of their houses, so the Jews wrote the commandments, or symbolic versions, on pieces of parchment and placed them in scroll cases mounted outside their doors. The word came to stand for these scroll cases, which are still placed on the doorframes of Jewish homes. For 10 points—name these items, which some American Jews also wear around their necks because touching one is said to bring good luck.

answer: Mezuzah(s) or Mezuzot (the proper Hebrew plural)

6. It was the only year of the 1920s not to experience a total solar eclipse; James Baldwin was born; the Washington Senators won their only World Series crown ever; and Stalin succeeded Lenin; all—for 10 points—in what year which also saw the election to the presidency of Calvin Coolidge?

answer: 1924

7. In the last scene of this year's season finale, the title character of this Josh Whedon-produced show leaves Sunnydale on a bus bound for LA. Fans know their heroine will return because she still has one year left on her contract with the WB network. For 10 points—what is the name of this surprise hit

starring Sarah Michelle Gellar as the enemy of Dracula wanna-bes everywhere?

answer: Buffy the Vampire Slayer

8. The classic film duology based on this novel was recently re-released on video in a widescreen format. The list of actors included Raquel Welch as Constance, Christopher Lee as Rochfort, and Charlton Heston as Cardinal Richelieu. For 10 points—name this novel that follows the adventures of D'Artagnan as he seeks to join the title characters.

answer: The Three Musketeers

9. According to linguist Derek Bickerton, they are invented by children applying the universal principles of grammar that Noam Chomsky theorizes are inherent in the human brain. Thus, in a single generation at the turn of the century, a Hawaiian one arose that used words from English and numerous Asian languages, but its grammar more closely resembled that of Papiamentu, spoken in Curaçao. For 10 points—give the term for this type of grammatically simple but structurally complete language that often arises in multiethnic colonial societies.

answer: Creoles

10. The cause for this phenomenon was discovered by Fritz W. Went in 1926. The Dutch plant physiologist cut off the coleoptile [co-lee-OP-til] tips from oat seedlings and used them to determine that it was auxin that caused the rest of the plant to bend while in the dark. For 10 points—what is the name for a plant's tendency to bend toward the light?

answer: Phototropism

11. He's working on a sequel entitled *'Tis*, and another family memoir, *A Monk Swimming*, was recently released by his brother Malachy [MAL-a-kye]. For 10 points—name this former New York high school teacher who parlayed his impoverished upbringing in Limerick, Ireland, into the bestselling *Angela's Ashes*.

answer: Frank McCourt

12. This NBA player is known almost as well for his off-court complaining and self-pity as he is for his on-court heroics. He once begged out of a crucial playoff game claiming he was suffering from a migraine headache, and on another occasion he took himself out of the game when a last-second play did not include him as the primary shooter. For 10 points—who is this player who can afford plenty of Ginsana even though he makes one-tenth the salary of his teammate, Michael Jordan?

answer: Scottie Pippen

13. A social *faux pas* was committed when, at the coronation of Elizabeth I, a seat was not put out for this former Queen of England. It seems the planners forgot she was alive. For 10 points—name this German woman whose mismatched marriage to Henry VIII was supposed to secure the alliance of North German princes in a league opposed to Charles V.

answer: Anne of Cleves

14. It has a dialect closely related to medieval English, icebergs in June, and unemployment as high as the U.S. had at the height of the Great Depression. This last fact explains a certain resentment toward the country whose economy it helped bolster by joining it in 1949, as well as toward Americans who criticize its treatment of baby seals. For 10 points—identify this newest and poorest

Canadian province.

answer: Newfoundland

15. Listen carefully to the following sentence: "Surfacing under a pontoon loaded with dancing girls could cause serious bodily harm." For 10 points—which author wrote *Bodily Harm*, *Dancing Girls*, and *Surfacing*, in addition to *The Handmaid's Tale*?

answer: Margaret Atwood

16. Their supreme god, Olorun, is the husband of Olokun, goddess of the primordial water, and the grandfather of the sea-goddess Yemaya, who has become known in American New Age circles. Their religion is the basis for such New World faiths as Brazil's Candomble and Cuba's Santeria, but Catholic saints have been substituted for their gods. For 10 points—name this ethnic group from a region heavily preyed upon by the slave trade, that is now in Benin and southwestern Nigeria.

answer: Yoruba

17. This politically radical band takes its name from Vietnamese slang for "fucked up," and won't allow their CDs and concert tickets to be sold for more than \$10. Their albums include *In on the Kill Taker*, *13 Songs*, and *Repeater*. For 10 points—name this band, formed by Ian MacKaye out of the ashes of Minor Threat.

answer: Fugazi

18. The wounds this soldier suffered at Petersburg were so severe that he was expected to die that day. Instead, by the end of the Civil War he had been promoted to Brigadier General. Later he became president of Bowdoin College in Maine. For 10 points—who was this soldier who may have saved the Union with his daring order for a bayonet charge at Little Round Top on the second day of Gettysburg, after his men ran out of ammunition?

answer: Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain

19. She first gained prominence in the late 1950s as a jazz singer covering such songs as Gershwin's "I Loves You, Porgy." After writing "Mississippi Goddam" about the death of Medgar Evers, she turned toward R&B and the politics of black power; Aretha Franklin recorded her song, "To Be Young, Gifted and Black." American audiences rediscovered her in 1987 when her recording of "My Baby Just Cares for Me" was used in a perfume commercial. For 10 points—give the stage name of Eunice Waymon, known as the High Priestess of Soul.

answer: Nina Simone

20. Leukotriene receptor inhibitors are all the rage in the treatment of this disease. One of its chief causes is inflammation of the mucosal membranes in the lungs. This constricts the bronchial tubes and makes breathing difficult. For 10 points—what is this disease that causes millions of Americans to reach for their inhalers?

answer: asthma

21. He first became noted for his poetry, including a book called *First Indian on the Moon*. Reciting his poems to the music of guitarist Jim Boyd, he performed on the Indigo Girls' "Honor the Earth" tour. This Spokane and Couer d'Alene writer subsequently made the bestseller lists with his 1996 novel *Indian Killer*. For 10 points—name this emerging writer whose short stories are the basis for the film

Smoke Signals.

answer: Sherman Alexie

22. In a project which shares its acronym with the name of an ancient king of Crete, scientists intend to project a stream of them from a laboratory outside Chicago toward an abandoned iron mine in Minnesota. The scientists hypothesize that if enough of them don't make it, they must have been diverted by gravity and therefore must have mass, which in turn could account for much of the mass from the Big Bang. For 10 points—identify these leptons long thought to have no mass at all.

answer: Neutrinos

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Bonuses by Dan "Spaceman" Lee, Dana "Svenska" Bacon, Ben "Shyster" Weiss

(all bonuses worth 30 points)

1. Name the jazz artist from a brief list of albums, for the stated number of points.

A. For 5 points—*Blue Haze*, *Nefertiti*, and *Bitches' Brew*

answer: Miles Davis

B. For 10 points—*A Love Supreme*, *Lush Life*, and *Blue Train*

answer: John Coltrane

C. For 15 points—*Pithecanthropus Erectus*, *Mysterious Blues*, and *The Black Saint and the Sinner Lady*

answer: Charles Mingus

2. 30-20-10. Identify the 19th century figure.

A. She was born in Ohio in 1838, married at the age of 15, toured with her sister as a clairvoyant, and died wealthy in England in 1927.

B. She parlayed Cornelius Vanderbilt's interest in spiritualism into financial support for a stock brokerage venture.

C. In 1872, with Frederick Douglass as her running mate, she became the first female candidate for president.

answer: Victoria Claflin Woodhull

3. Indonesian politics isn't all about Suharto anymore. Name these figures, for the stated number of points:

A. For 5 points—adopted by Suharto as an adolescent, he is now the president of Indonesia.

answer: B.J. Habibie

B. For 10 points—the withdrawal of his support was crucial to Suharto's fall, and as head of the military he remains a central power broker.

answer: General Wiranto

C. For 15 points—a sort of Indonesian answer to Benazir Bhutto or Corazon Aquino, her opposition party is still outlawed.

answer: Megawati Sukarno

4. 30-20-10. Identify the photographer.

A. After World War II, she worked for *Life* magazine, where she gained recognition for her features on South Africa.

B. She's not Dorothea Lange, but she achieved fame photographing impoverished sharecroppers during the Great Depression.

C. Those pictures were published in *You Have Seen Their Faces*, with text by her husband, Erskine Caldwell.

answer: Margaret Bourke-White

5. Cat lovers, take note of this list: leopard, snow leopard, clouded leopard, puma, jaguar, lynx, cheetah, bobcat and serval.

A. First, for 5 points apiece—which four of those are classified in the genus *Felis*?

answer: Lynx, Puma, Bobcat, Serval

B. For an additional 5 points apiece—which two are classified neither with the domestic cat in *Felis* nor in *Panthera*, the genus of lions and tigers?

answer: Cheetah, Clouded Leopard

6. For 10 points each—identify the following widely syndicated cartoon characters given a few facts:

A. The title character of this Michael Jantze cartoon appears to be Dilbert with a life. His list of sidekicks includes jogging partner Reine and guy pal Ford.

answer: Norm (accept The Norm)

B. In Lynn Johnston's *For Better or For Worse*, she is Michael and Elizabeth's younger sibling.

answer: April

C. This is the first name of Dennis the Menace's playmate with the curly black hair.

answer: Joey (accept similar answers)

7. For 5 points each—name the U.S. president, given the name of one of his Vice Presidents.

A. Hannibal Hamlin answer: Abraham Lincoln

B. John Breckinridge answer: James Buchanan

C. Levi Morton answer: Benjamin Harrison

D. James Sherman answer: William Howard Taft

E. Thomas Hendricks answer: (Stephen) Grover Cleveland

F. William King answer: Franklin Pierce

8. Identify the following relating to baseball, for the stated number of points:

A. For 5 points—The team that came in ninth in their league in 1966, but under the leadership of Dick Williams came back in '67 to reach the World Series.

answer: Boston or Red Sox

B. For 5 points—the left fielder for the '67 Red Sox, whose clutch hitting in the last weeks of the season was the stuff of legend.

answer: Carl Yastrzemski

C. For 10 points—while one Boston outfielder triumphed in 1967, another was nearly killed by a beanball. Although this player recovered enough to hit 36 homers the following year, his once-promising career soon went into a tailspin. Who was he?

answer: Tony Conigliaro

D. For 10 points—with 22 wins, this man was the Red Sox' top pitcher in 1967.

answer: Jim Lonborg

9. If you want to pass the bar exam, or get points on this question, you'll need to know your common-law criminal offenses. For 10 points each—given the common-law elements of a crime, name the offense.

A. The trespassory taking and carrying away of tangible personal property in the possession of another person with the intent to permanently deprive that person thereof.

answer: Larceny (do not accept "theft")

B. The taking and carrying away of tangible personal property from the person or presence of another, with the intent to permanently deprive that person thereof, by force or intimidation.

answer: Robbery

C. The intentional breaking and entering of the dwelling house of another in the nighttime with the intent to commit larceny or a felony inside.

answer: Burglary

[Note: "Theft" is an umbrella term covering larceny, larceny by trick, robbery and embezzlement.]

10. For 5 points apiece and another 10 for all four words—what does the computing acronym SCSI ("scuzzy") stand for?

answer: Small Computers Systems Interface

11. Given a line of poetry, supply the next one, for 10 points each. If you need to know who wrote the poem, you only receive 5 points for a correct answer.

A. 10 pts. "The apparition of these faces in the crowd;"
5 pts. Ezra Pound

answer: Petals on a wet, black bough

B. 10 pts. "My friend, you would not tell with such high zest/To children ardent for some desperate glory,/The old Lie:"
5 pts. Wilfred Owen

answer: Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori

C. 10 pts. "Let be be the finale of seem."
5 pts. Wallace Stevens

answer: The only emperor is the emperor of ice-cream

12. The political left has become somewhat notorious for lacking a sense of humor. For 15 points each—name these Texans who are trying to change that:

A. She recently released a third book, *You Got to Dance With Them What Brung You*, and has appeared as a commentator on PBS, but she still does most of her work for the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*.

answer: Molly Ivins

C. He incorporates his experience as Texas Commissioner of Agriculture into an expose on the food industry in his book, *There's Nothing in the Middle of the Road But Yellow Stripes and Dead Armadillos*, and promotes his public radio show as a populist answer to Rush Limbaugh.

answer: Jim Hightower

13. A cube-sum number is any number that is equal to the sum of the cubes of its digits. For example, 153 is a cube-sum number; its digits cubed equal $1 + 125 + 27$, which equals 153. For 10 points for one and 30 points for both—what are the next two cube-sum numbers after 370? (allow 15 seconds for calculations)

answer: 371 and 407

14. 30-20-10. Identify the writer.

A. His daughter, Lisa Jones, is a journalist who writes for the *Village Voice*.

B. His best-known play centers on the attempts of Lula, an unbalanced white woman, to seduce Clay, a straight-laced black man, while riding a subway.

C. That play is *Dutchman*, and its author recently appeared in the movie *Bulworth*.

answer: Amiri Baraka or Leroi Jones

15. For 10 points each—identify these monarchs given a clue about the causes of their deaths:

A. This English king died when a hot poker was shoved up his rectum.

answer: Edward II

B. This Roman co-emperor was killed by his brother Caracalla.

answer: P. Septimus Geta

C. This Russian Tsar was blown up by a bomb that was thrown into his carriage.

answer: Alexander II

16. For 10 points each—name the three films in Whit Stillman's "doomed bourgeoisie in love" trilogy.

answer: Metropolitan, Barcelona, and The Last Days of Disco

17. Elizabeth Wurtzel has become identified as a Gen X spokesperson due to two published works. For 15 points apiece—name them.

answer: Prozac Nation and Bitch: A Study of Strong Women

18. The last name sounds the same. For 10 points—give the almost-common last name of the first and the current presidents of Israel, and for another 10 points apiece—give their respective first names.

answer: Chaim Weitzmann and Ezer Weizman

19. 30-20-10. Name the playwright from a list of works.

- A. the screenplay to *Babydoll*
- B. *The Roman Spring of Mrs. Stone*
- C. *The Rose Tattoo* and *Sweet Bird of Youth*

answer: Tennessee Williams

20. Your ship has sunk, but you've managed to climb onto a raft. You have no motor or sail, so where you go will depend on the direction of the current. For 5 points apiece—tell me which of the cardinal directions you can expect to drift if your ship is wrecked off the coast of:

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| A. Chile | answer: | <u>North</u> (Peru or Humboldt current) |
| B. California | answer: | <u>South</u> (California current) |
| C. Namibia | answer: | <u>North</u> (Benguela current) |
| D. Hawaii | answer: | <u>West</u> (North Equatorial current) |
| E. Tanzania | answer: | <u>South</u> (Agulhas current) |
| F. West coast of Greenland | answer: | <u>North</u> (West Greenland current—dress warm!) |

21. 30-20-10. Identify the painter.

- A. In 1977 he became the first living artist to have an exhibition at the Louvre.
- B. His works include stained-glass illustrations of the Old Testament and the ceiling of the Paris opera house.
- C. This Russian-born painter took much of his inspiration from Jewish sources, and passed away in 1985.

answer: Marc Chagall

22. 30-20-10. Name the political figure.

A. In the '70s, this lawyer defended the owners of New York's infamous Studio 54 against charges of tax evasion.

B. He was instrumental in obtaining the death penalty for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

C. Despite being gay himself, he helped J. Edgar Hoover persecute homosexuals. He was also chief counsel for Joseph McCarthy.

answer: Roy Cohn