

Game Nine

Round One

Each toss-up question in this round is worth ten points. Please, no conferring. And please wait until recognition from the moderator before answering. Good luck!

1. In the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, Poul-Erik Hoyer-Larsen of Denmark won the Gold Medal in an indoor sport that has traditionally been dominated by * Asian players, particularly from China or Indonesia. What is this sport, played with racquets and "birdies"?
(badminton)

2. He had lived in Paris and played the violin, but he is more famous for what he did in America— * he was a President. The Embargo Act was passed near the end of his presidency. Which U.S. President built his own Virginia estate, Monticello?
(Thomas Jefferson)

3. What is the collective top of trees in a rain forest called?
(the canopy)

4. The Beatles song, "Dear Prudence," was written about this actress' sister. * She married the fifty-year-old Frank Sinatra when she was only twenty-one. Who is she?
(Mia Farrow)

5. Which Spanish Conquistador conquered the Incas in South America?
(Francisco Pizarro)

6. What kind of a virus attacks and "eats" bacteria?
(bacteriophage—accept: phage)

7. Which eighteenth-century Swedish astronomer gave name to a temperature scale?
(Anders Celsius)

8. There are four national parks in this island country. * By population, Kao-Shiung is this country's second largest metropolitan area. This country's official language is Mandarin. Name this country.
(Taiwan)

9. These 1969 riots took place in Greenwich Village. They sparked the modern gay-rights movement. * The name of these riots is the same as the nickname of a Civil War general who was killed at Chancellorsville. What were these riots?
(the Stonewall riots)

10. By elevation, the world's lowest national capital is also a port city. It is the birthplace of chess champion Gary Kasparov. * Located on the Caspian sea, what is the capital of Azerbaijan?
(Baku)

Round Two

Please choose from these four categories: South American Geography, Art History, Jewish Holidays and Observances, and the Dreaded Poetry Category

— South American Geography

In this category, there are five questions. I will provide a translation in the clue, and you provide the answer for ten points a piece.

1. Which river means "Silver River"? (Río de la Plata)
2. Which city means "River of January"? (Rio de Janeiro)
3. Which city means "Valley of Paradise"? (Valparaíso)
4. Which city means "Ocean View"? (Mar Vista)
5. Which city means "Good Air"? (Buenos Aires)

— Art History

In this category, there are two questions. The first one is worth twenty points; the second, thirty. There is a "bounce back" opportunity for the other team to answer for half credit. Good luck.

1. This -ism designates a playful art movement formed in 1916 by Jean Arp and Tristan Tzara. The artwork is characterized by rebellion against accepted conventions. The most famous painter of this -ism was Marcel Duchamp. Name this "hobby horse" -ism.
(Dadaism)
2. This -ism designates a twentieth-century French movement characterized by bright, vibrant colors and bold distortion of form. Some famous artists of this -ism include Henri Matisse and Georges Rouault. Name this "wild beast" -ism.
(Fauvism)

— Jewish Holidays and Observances

Please give the Jewish name for the following holidays and observances. Ten points each.

1. Day of Judgment or New Year's Day (Rosh Hashana or Hashana)
2. The Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur)
3. Feast of Lots (Purim)
4. Passover (Pesach or Pesah)
5. Feast of Tabernacles (Sukot)

— The Dreaded Poetry Category

There are two questions in this category. The first one is worth twenty points; the second, thirty. There is a "bounce back" opportunity for the other team to answer for half credit. Good luck.

1. Who wrote the following lines: "Mark but this flea, and mark in this, / How little that which thou deniest me is; / Me it sucked first, and now sucks thee, / And in this flea our two bloods mingled be;"?
(John Donne—from, "The Flea")
2. Who wrote the following lines: "My heart aches, and a drowsy numbness pains / My sense, as though of hemlock I had drunk, / Or emptied some dull opiate to the drains / One minute past, and Lethe-wards had sunk: / 'Tis not through envy of thy happy lot, / But being too happy in thine happiness;"?
(John Keats—from, "Ode to a Nightingale")

Round Three

There are twenty toss-up questions, worth twenty points each. Please, again, no conferring, and please wait for recognition before answering. Good luck.

1. In Egyptian Mythology, this god of the seasons * was dismembered by his brother and reassembled by his sister-wife. He was also the god of the dead and was commonly imagined as a mummy. Name him.
(Osiris)
2. This US physicist was the co-winner of the 1956 Nobel Prize for his work on the * transistor. "Shockingly," he believes that blacks are genetically inferior to whites. Who was he?
(William Shockley)
3. He is a native of Peekskill, New York and he now lives in Santa Barbara, California. Some of his literary works include The Tortilla Curtain, Without a Hero, If the River Was Whiskey, * and The Road to Wellville. Identify this author, who wrote the short stories "Beggar Master of Sivani-Hoota" and "Greasy Lake."
(T. Coraghessan Boyle)
4. In California, a tree named "General Sherman" is 270 feet high. * It is the tallest known living organism on earth. Located in a national monument known for its kind of trees, "General Sherman" is what kind of a tree?
(sequoia—located in Sequoia National Monument)
5. In the 1997 MLB All Star Game, the Los Angeles Dodgers had only one representative: Mike Piazza. The last time only one Dodger was named to an All Star Game was in 1988. * Which pitcher, famous for his sinkerballs and nicknamed "Bulldog," represented the Dodgers at the 1988 All Star Game?
(Orel Hershiser)
6. This novel was made into an unsuccessful 1997 movie that nobody saw in the theaters. The first line of this novel of epic soap-operatic proportions translates to: * "All happy families resemble one another; every unhappy family is unhappy in its own fashion." What is this novel, written by Russian writer Leo Tolstoy?
(Anna Karenina)
7. A high school in Torrance, California is named in honor of him, * the discoverer of neutrons. Name him.
(James Chadwick)
8. In the Bible, Jonah spent three days and three nights inside an animal that swallowed him. According to the King James' version, what "animal" swallowed Jonah?
(“a great fish”—do *not* accept: a whale)
9. Two-part question; partial credit given. Frédéric Chopin was nicknamed "the Melancholy Master of the Polonaise" * because his polonaises reflect his patriotism in his native Poland. His two most famous polonaises are in E-flat Major and E Major and they both have nicknames. For ten points a piece, name these two polonaises.
(“Heroic” and “Military”)
10. From the French meaning "morality," these plays of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries were performed from town to town, the most famous of which being * the Wakefield Second Shepherd's Play. These anonymously-written plays dramatize incidents of the Old Testament and are aimed at teaching morals, not at entertaining the audience the way Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and Agatha Christie did. What are these plays called?
(Mystery Plays)

11. Born around 129 AD, he established the idea of pulmonary circulation * by showing that the heart sets the blood in motion. He, however, did not discover the circulation of blood. Identify this Greek physician nicknamed "Father of Experimental Physiology."

(Galen—accept: Claudius Galenus)

12. From the Greek meaning "band," what is ring-shaped muscle that can close a tubular structure by contracting?

(the sphincter)

13. When he was only 32, he won the Nobel Prize in Physics for the discovery of recoil-free gamma-ray resonance absorption, * an effect now bearing his name. His discovery has been used to verify the theory of relativity and to study solid material properties. Identify this German physicist who shared the Nobel Prize with Richard Hofstadter in 1961.

(Rudolph Ludwig Mossbauer)

14. Hollowed tree trunks called didgeridoos are musical instruments used by the natives of what country?

(Australia)

15. [note: the W reads like V] Knife in the Head, The Lost Honor of Katharina Blum, The State of Things, and The Marriage of Maria Braun are four of the movies that belonged to this international arthouse cinema of the 1970's and early 80's. This movement in cinema included such directors as Werner Herzog, Volker Schlöndorff, and Wim Wenders. What was this movement *?

(New German Cinema--30 points!)

16. In the winter of 1846 and 1847, eighty-two settlers from Illinois were trapped by the snows in eastern * California. The surviving forty-seven settlers ate whatever they could find, including their own dead. Where in the Sierra Nevada Mountains did this incident occur?

(Donner Pass--accept: Donner Party on an early buzz)

17. Its initial radio distress call was answered by the ship "Carpathia." * But on April 15, 1912, just south of Newfoundland, this supposedly unsinkable White Star liner sank on her maiden voyage after hitting an iceberg. What was the name of that ship?

(Titanic)

18. Sometimes called echoism or sound-symbolism, this literary device applies to words which seem to correspond to what they denote in any way, particularly in * sound. "Rattle," "buzz," "bang," and "hiss" are some examples of this device. What is this device?

(onomatopoeia)

19. Also known as California Highway 39, this major boulevard in Southern California goes through such cities as Westminster, Huntington Beach, and Cypress. It has intersections with such streets as Cerritos, Warner, and PCH. What is this large boulevard?

(Beach Boulevard)

20. In it, Robin Williams plays a character who is both figuratively and literally out-of-focus. * Billy Crystal plays the Devil. Nominated for Best Original Screenplay, this 1997 comedy film stars Stanley Tucci, Kirstie Alley, Elisabeth Shue, Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Judy Davis, Demi Moore, Mariel Hemingway, Eric Lloyd, and Woody Allen. Name this film.

(Deconstructing Harry)