

Game Fifteen

Round One

There are ten questions in this round; each is worth ten points. No conferring allowed. Please wait for recognition before answering the question. Good luck to both teams.

1. Also known as sea cows, what mammal, closely related to the elephant, gave rise to the old mariners' tales of mermaids?
(manatees)
2. What German phrase means "Till we meet again"?
(*Auf Wiedersehen*)
3. "An Arrangement in Gray and Black" is a painting that depicts this artist's own mother. Who was this famous American artist?
(James Whistler)
4. Which Shakespearean character is described as "more sinn'd against than sinning"?
(King Lear)
5. Prudence, justice, temperance, and fortitude are known as the four what?
(Cardinal Virtues)
6. What is the name of the third eyelid, common to reptiles and birds, which moves horizontally across the eye * ?
(nictitating membrane--15 points!)
7. Who went around the world in 72 days in 1890?
(Nelly Bly, or Elizabeth C. Seaman)
8. Sports cartoonist T. A. Dorgan was the creator of what common food when he drew a dachshund?
(hot dog)
9. Which sign of the zodiac represents the sexual or procreative element of man?
(Scorpio)
10. The 1996 Spike Lee movie, Get on the Bus, deals with a bus-load of African-Americans going to Washington DC for what historical 1995 event?
(The Million Man March)

Round Two

Please choose from the following questions: Biology Quiz, US History, Another Dreaded Poetry Category, and Composers.

— Biology Quiz

Answer the following questions for ten points a piece.

1. What is the oldest and most numerous class of animals? (Insects)
2. What is the only bird that can give us leather? (ostrich)
3. What is the name given to the type of symbiosis in which both parties benefit?
(mutual symbiosis—accept: mutualism)
4. In cells, the bulk of the digestive enzymes is stored in which subcellular organelle? (lysosome)
5. The phalanges and metatarsals are found in what part of the human body?
(the feet—do not accept: the hands)

— US History

There are two questions in this category. The first one is worth 20 points and the second one is worth 30 points. There is a "bounce back" opportunity for the other team to answer for half credit after the team answers incorrectly.

1. President Taft enforced this policy, which supported U.S. commercial enterprises abroad, especially in Latin America and the Far East for strategic purposes. Identify this policy with an alliterative name.
(Dollar Diplomacy)
2. In 1793 what Frenchman came over to the U.S. to "stir up" disturbances in the neutral country in violation of the Proclamation of Neutrality?
(Citizen Genêt)

— Another Dreaded Poetry Category

There are two questions in this category. The first one is worth 20 points and the second one is worth 30 points. There is a "bounce back" opportunity for the other team to answer for half credit after the team answers incorrectly.

1. Coming from chapter one of Through the Looking-Glass, which poem by Lewis Carroll opens with the following lines: "Twas brillig, and the slithy toves / Did gyre and gimble in the wabe; / All mimsy were the borogoves, / And the mome raths outgrabe" ?
("Jabberwocky")
2. Included in the collection, The Shropshire Lad, which A.E. Housman poem ends with the following lines: "They shook, they stared as white's their shirt: / Them it was their poison hurt. / --I tell the tale that I heard told. / Mithridate, he died old" ?
("Terence, This Is Stupid Stuff")

— Composers

Identify the composer of the following pairs of compositions, for ten points a piece.

1. "The Hut on Baba-Yaga" and "The Great Gate of Kiev" (Modest Mussorgsky)
2. "Songs of Madagascar" and "Menuet Antique" (Maurice Ravel)
3. "Notations" and "Structures" (Pierre Boulez)
4. "Billy the Kid" and "Fanfare for the Common Man" (Aaron Copland)
5. "Alexander Nevsky" and "Sarcasms" (Sergei Prokofiev)

Round Three

There are twenty questions in this round; each is worth twenty points. No conferring allowed. Please wait for recognition before answering the question. Good luck to both teams.

1. The nearest island to this island in the South Atlantic is St. Helena, some thirteen-hundred miles to the northeast. Identify this most remote inhabited island in the world *.
(Tristan da Cunha—30 points!)
2. After Pope Element VIII refused to annul his first marriage to Catherine of Aragon, his second wife pushed King Henry VIII to leave the Catholic Church and form the Church of England. He later beheaded her. Who was this woman who had three breasts and eleven fingers?
(Anne Boleyn)
3. In which John Masefield poem would you find the following lines:
"Only stay quiet while the mind remembers
The beauty of fire from the beauty of embers." * ?
(“On Growing Old”—30 points!)
4. On May 4, 1886, a bomb exploded at a labor rally, resulting in the deaths of eleven people. This infamous event took place in which Chicago “square”?
(Haymarket Square)
5. Accompanied by an army escort, the Cherokees marched from their homes in the Southeast to reservations in Oklahoma. Over four-thousand Cherokees died in this 1838 march. What name was given to the road on which the Cherokees marched?
(The Trail of Tears)
6. Lesser-known examples of this type of solvents are anhydrous acetic acid, ethanol, and methanol. * Its most popular example is water. This type of solvents can act either as an acid or a base, depending on the solute. Name it.
(amphiprotic solvent)
7. As a fictitious American soldier, this actor played a cameo role in the movie Wag the Dog. * He starred in movies like Natural Born Killers, Palmetto, and Kingpin. He was nominated for an Oscar for playing the title character in The People vs. Larry Flynt. Who is he?
(Woody Harrelson)
8. In the 1502 Provence plague, he played the role of a healer. * His believers claim that he had accurately predicted the May 1988 California earthquake, but his exact words were “planetary alignment.” The same people claim that he also predicted the discovery of the New World, the two World Wars, and Adolf Hitler. Who was this sixteenth-century French astrologer?
(Nostradamus)
9. In Euclidean space, this term describes any foci [FOE-sigh] of consecutive, parallel lines. * However, this term has come to describe a special type of foci where all the consecutive, parallel lines are parallel to and equidistant from a singular line. More commonly, this term describes any solid in the shape of a canister. Name this term.
(cylinder)
10. His 1940 autobiography is entitled Let There Be Sculpture. * Identify this English sculptor of such works as “Madonna and Child,” “Genesis,” “Rima,” and “The Rock Drill.”
(Sir Jacob Epstein)

11. Author Lillian Hellman hailed it as "the great play of our time." It includes a famous scene in which Mr. Peachum sells "begging licenses" to Filch. * The central character, Mackie the Knife, seeks the hand of Polly Peachum. This play is a spin-off of the John Gay comedy, The Beggar's Opera. Identify this play, written by German playwright Bertolt Brecht [BREKT].

(The Threepenny Opera)

12. On the violin, this is done by sliding the finger up or down the string. On the piano, this is done by gliding up the keys with the nail of the middle finger or sliding down the keys with the nail of the thumb. * This brilliant technique is simply a rapid sliding up or down on the musical scale, and is denoted on the music staff by a vertical or diagonal wavy line. What is this technique?

(glissando)

13. The name is the same. In biology, this word means the free-swimming stage in the life cycle of a coelenterate [see-LEN-ter-rate]. In mythology, this word means a monster with snaky locks whose stare can turn living things into stone. What is this word?

(medusa)

14. Her name is synonymous with a conjugal scold. * Who was Socrates' wife?

(Xanthippe)

15. In 1786, two Frenchmen, Jacques Balmart and Michael-Gabriel Paccard, conquered the highest peak in Western Europe. What was that mountain?

(Mount Blanc—accept: White Mountain)

16. This director made the 1996 film, The Portrait of a Lady, starring Nicole Kidman and Barbara Hershey. The most famous film by this director was the Oscar-nominated film * , The Piano, starring Holly Hunter and Harvey Keitel. Who is this Australian woman?

(Jane Campion)

17. Formed from the follicle after ovulation, this yellowish structure in the ovary secretes estrogen and progesterone. It literally means "yellow body" in Latin. What is this structure?

(corpus luteum)

18. This jazz term was the style of playing trombone in New Orleans and took its name from the location of the trombonist on a horse-drawn parade cart, where he would have ample room to operate the trombone slide. Identify this term.

(tailgate)

19. Derived from the Persian word for "dust" or "earth," this * color was adopted during the wars against the Sikhs in the mid-nineteenth century to replace the red uniforms. What color is this?

(khaki)

20. The male counterpart of Harriet Tubman, this Quaker abolitionist helped over 3,000 blacks escape the South during the mid-1800's, thus earning the nickname "President of the Underground Railroad." Who was he * ?

(Levi Coffin—30 points!)