

ELVIS 1999

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TOSSUPS

1. Unbelievably, he was at first acclaimed as a liberal and sober leader; his real nature soon became apparent. Among other atrocities, he murdered his wife Octavia to please his mistress; he subsequently kicked that mistress, who was pregnant, to death. FTP, identify this Roman emperor, who finally killed himself while on a theater tour when he was replaced by Galba.

Nero

2. Robert wants to seek adventure, but instead stays home to marry Ruth Atkins. His brother Andrew, who also loves Ruth, goes to sea and later lives in Argentina, even though he is more of a homebody than Robert. FTP, what is this play about the Mayo brothers, which won Eugene O'Neill his first Pulitzer Prize?

Beyond the Horizon

3. According to the liner notes of their cd, their shoe sizes (in no particular order) are 9 ½, 11, 8, 9 ½ and 13. Rob Thomas, Kyle Cook, Adam Gaynor and Bryan Yale make up this band produced by Matt Serletic. FTP, what is this group which hit the big time recently with its album "Yourself or Somone Like You" and the songs "Real World" and "3 a.m."?

Matchbox 20

4. Since January, 1979, the planet Pluto has actually been closer to the sun than Neptune. FTP, give the month and year in which Pluto resumes its rightful position as the outermost planet.

February, 1999 (accept _this month_)

5. It was first described by Emil Kraepelin in 1896. People who suffer from it have the highest suicide rate of any psychological disorder, and it tends to run in families. The sufferer may have inflated self-esteem and lack rational judgment; at other times, guilt and self-blame may lead to complete withdrawal. FTP, what is this mood disorder of alternating elation and listlessness?

Manic-Depressive disorder or _bipolar_ syndrome

6. In the biological sense, there is nothing criminal about it. It does not produce new varieties, since the stick and scion retain their own characteristics. The technique is most commonly used to propagate hybrids that do not grow from seed, and plants that do not grow true from seed. FTP, what is this horticultural practice of uniting parts of two plants so that they grow as one?

_graft_ing

7. Millard Fillmore, as president of the Senate, oversaw its passage, and as President of the United States, signed it into law. It is really five acts, one of which provided for the admission of California to the union. FTP what was the collected name of this set of acts brokered by Clay, Webster and Calhoun?

Compromise of 1850 (acc. _Second Missouri Compromise_)

8. The stench from his foot was so bad that he was stranded by his shipmates on the island of Lemnos. While he nursed his rage against the Greeks, they were forced to swallow their disgust when they learned that only he and his arrows of Hercules could defeat Troy. FTP, who was this title character of a play by Sophocles?

Philoctetes

9. Mostly self-taught, this Englishman sketched the same scenes repeatedly under varying conditions; one of the most noted of these scenes is Salisbury Cathedral. As he progressed, he used looser and looser brush strokes in his works. FTP, who was this landscape painter of View from the Stour and The Hay Wain?

John Constable

10. They inhabit a plateau and mountainous region bounded by the Zagros Mountains and the Taurus Mountains, and the upper reaches of the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. Most of them are devout Sunni Moslems. The 1920 Treaty of Sèvres provided for an autonomous state for them, but that never came to pass. FTP, what is this beleaguered Middle Eastern minority population that is found in Turkey, Syria, Iraq and Afghanistan?

_Kurd_s

11. All persons hearing it were required to do the same and join in the pursuit; failure to do so was itself a crime in the 19th century. The modern posse is a survival of this notion for bringing a criminal to justice. FTP, what is this three-word phrase for calling out for aid after witnessing a felony, now used to refer to raising any general hubbub?

hue and cry

12. They will react with water, oxygen, carbon dioxide or almost any electrophilic organic compound. They are made up of an organic group such as an alkyl, joined by a polar covalent bond to magnesium, which is in turn ionically bonded to a halogen. FTP, what is this class of compound used in the synthesis of hydrocarbons and alcohols?

Grignard (GREEN-yard) reagent

13. The leader of it was captured and turned over to the British for trial, but was soon released and later became Prime Minister of the colony. It began as an attempt to overthrow the Boer government amidst Afrikaner and English disputes over the South African gold mines. FTP, what was this raid on Johannesburg, an 1895 precursor to the Boer War, named for the Englishman who led it?

_Jameson_Raid

14. It relates the fates of Hecuba, Andromache and Cassandra in the wake of the fall of Troy. Helen seduces her husband Menelaus away from his intention to kill her, demonstrating the futility of the Trojan war. FTP, what is this tragedy by Euripides?

The _Trojan Women_

15. His older brother was a star receiver for the Green Bay Packers, but now works as a commentator for ESPN. After a three-year All-American career at Savannah State, he claimed the number 84 in the pros, just like his brother. FTP, who is this receiver for the Denver Broncos?

Shannon Sharpe

16. In May, Israel will hold elections for a new government since that of Benjamin Netanyahu collapsed. One of the front runners thus far is a man who rejected the Oslo peace accords, quit Netanyahu's cabinet over the Hebron peace deal and left the Likud bloc over the Wye Agreements. FTP, who is this son of a now-deceased Israeli prime minister?

Benny Begin

17. It is surrounded by Oaxaca, Vera Cruz and Tabasco to the west and north. Guatemala lies to the East. Among its geographical features are the Tacaná (Tah-kah-NAH) volcano and the Mayan city of Palenque (puh-LEN-kay). FTP, what is this southernmost state of Mexico, the site of a good deal of recent political unrest?

Chiapas

18. It is the name of the only breed of sheep in which both rams and ewes are horned. It is also a county in southwestern England on the English Channel. FTP, what is this county where Thomas Hardy was born, and which appears in his books as part of Wessex, with a county seat at Dorchester?

_Dorset_shire

19. It is Latin for "the sun stands still." When they occur, the sun's apparent position reaches 23 ½ degrees of arc. FTP, what are these special days, which are also points on the ecliptic, when the apparent noontime elevation of the sun does not appear to change?

solstice

20. It was the Chinese imperial age from 206 BC to 220 AD, and it witnessed great developments in science and the arts. Confucianism became the dominant philosophy during this dynasty. FTP, what was this dynasty which succeeded the Chin and preceded the Three Kingdoms?

Han Dynasty

21. A lawyer in later life, he wrote *The Seaman's Friend*, an authority on maritime law for many years. While a student, he had eye problems and for his health shipped out as a sailor on the *Pilgrim* around Cape Horn in 1834. From his journal, he wrote a book about his experiences. FTP, who was this author of *Two Years Before the Mast*?

Richard Henry Dana Jr.

22. He became a cadet in the imperial Russian navy at age 12. Though he knew nothing about instruments, he was appointed Inspector of Naval Bands. Though he knew nothing about orchestration before he wrote his first symphony, he wrote a book on orchestration. For 10 points—name this composer of the *Russian Easter Festival Overture*, possibly Russia's most famous hyphenate.

Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov

23. The title character finds himself in financial difficulties. As Aepimantus had predicted, his former friends now refuse to help him. Embittered, he becomes a hermit and then discovers gold in the cave he had taken as his home. FTP, what is this drama by Shakespeare which features a misanthrope as the title character?

Timon of Athens

24. Assume you have a uniform disk. The quantity of turning force necessary to turn the disk faster can be computed by multiplying the mass times the radius squared and dividing by two. FTP, what is the name for this physical quantity, usually abbreviated as I?

Moment of inertia

25. Although Elvis sang many million-selling songs, he wrote almost none of his music himself. On one of his early big hits, he is credited as a writer, but that was only because the woman who actually wrote the song told him he could have co-writer credit if he would sing it. FTP, what is this Elvis classic which begins, "Since my baby left me...."

Heartbreak Hotel

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1. Answer the following regarding northern Russian geography, FTP each

A. What is the largest port city on the White Sea?

Archangel_ or Archangelsk_

B. What is the large peninsula directly north of the White Sea?

Kola_ Peninsula

C. What is the port on the Kola Gulf which is the home of the Russian nuclear submarine fleet?

Murmansk_

2. Identify the following kinds of particle accelerators from a description of how they are energized, FTP each:

A. It produces high voltage by charging a bank of capacitors in parallel, then connecting these banks in series..

Cockroft-Walton_

B. Achieves high voltage by using a continuously charged moving belt to deliver charge to a hollow metal sphere.

Van de Graaf_

C. Accelerates particles to high energies by making them travel in a circular path, invented by Lawrence.

cyclotron_

3. Identify the John Carpenter films from a synopsis, FTP each.

A. Only Rowdy Roddy Piper, with his special sunglasses, can see the monsters that masquerade as humans.

They Live_

B. A cylinder of goo in the basement of a church is really Satan incarnate.

Prince of Darkness_

C. An alien and his reluctant companion make their way from Wisconsin to Winslow, Arizona.

Starman_

4. Identify the following methods that multiple people may hold real estate.

A. Ownership of an equal, undivided interest; on the death of one owner, the remaining owners receive the share of the deceased.

joint tenancy_ with right of survivorship or joint tenants_

B. Ownership of an undivided interest, but not necessarily an equal interest; upon the death of one owner, ownership of the share of the deceased passes in accordance with his or her will.

tenancy in common_ or tenants in common_

C. Ownership specifically by a husband and wife as joint tenants, in some non-community-property states.

tenancy by the entirety_ or tenants by entirety_

5. In September 1998, one of the biggest high-flying funds in the US came close to collapse, and was rescued only by a bailout from the Fed and 14 banks and brokerage companies. FTP@:

A. What specific kind of mutual fund was this?

hedge_ fund

B. What was the name of the fund?

Long Term Capital Management_, L.L.P.

C. What corporate raider led a group, including Goldman Sachs, which offered to buy Long Term Capital for \$250 million, but was spurned?

Warren_ Buffett_

6. Since the new Star Wars movie is coming in a few months, you'd better brush up on your Star Wars leitmotifs. For the stated number of points, sing the leitmotif from John Williams' score which represents the named character. Other members of the team are welcome to sing harmony.

A. (5) Darth Vader (first used in Empire Strikes Back)

B. (10) Princess Leia

C. (15) Yoda

7. For the stated number of points, identify the book of the Bible in which the following occur:

A. For 5, Samson is blinded

Judges_

B. For 10, Absalom catches his hair in a tree and is killed.

Second Samuel_

C. For 15, Cyrus the Great orders the rebuilding of the Temple at Jerusalem and the return of the Jews to their homeland.

Ezra_

8. 30-20-10, identify the work from the characters.

- A. Demeter, Victoria, Electra and Gus
 - B. Bustopher Jones and Jenny Anydots
 - C. Old Deuteronomy, Macavity and Rum Tum Tugger
- _Cats_ or _Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats_

9. Identify the following important figures in history of the Labour Party of England FTP each:

- A. The first Labour Member of Parliament
Keir _Hardie_
- B. The first Labour Prime Minister
James _Ramsay MacDonald_ (prompt on MacDonald)
- C. The Labour Prime Minister who replaced Churchill at the close of World War II
Clement _Attlee_

10. Tyrosine is an amino acid which is not essential to the human diet, since it can be synthesized from another amino acid.

- A. For 15 points, name that other amino acid
phenylalanine
- B. For 15 more, the lack of the enzyme which breaks phenylalanine down into tyrosine results in what disease, which can cause mental retardation in children, and which is warned against on the labels of many diet sodas?
phenylketonuria (prompt on _PKU_)

11. For 5 points for the first two you can name, and ten each for the next two, give the names of the four novels by Thomas Mann which are collected as Joseph and his Brothers.

- Answer: _Tales of Jacob_, or Die _Gesichten Jaakobs_
Young Joseph, or Der _junge Joseph_
Joseph in Egypt, or _Joseph in Aegypten_
Joseph the Provider, or _Joseph der Erenaecher_

12. 30-20-10, identify the artist from the works, and in some instances, museum where the work is held.

- A. Crucifixion, in the Scuola di San Rocco, and Washing of the Feet, in the Escorial.
 - B. Presentation of the Virgin and The Golden Calf, both in Madonna dell'Orto in Venice.
 - C. Miracle of St. Mark, The Venetian Ambassadors before Frederick Barbarossa.
- _Tintoretto_ or Jacopo _Robusti_

13. The impeachment trial of the President has been enlivened somewhat over speculation that a group of Republican senators known as the "New England Gang of Four" might vote with the Democrats to dismiss the impeachment. For 5 points each, and 30 points for all four right, name these four senators.

- Olympia _Snowe_ of Maine
Susan _Collins_ of Maine
John _Chafee_ of Rhode Island
Jim _Jeffords_ of Vermont

14. A. For 10 points, identify the author of Essay Towards a New Theory of Vision and A Treatise Concerning the Principles of Human Knowledge.

- George _Berkeley_ (BARK-lee)
B. For 20 points, give the three word Latin phrase which summarizes Berkeley's theory that there is no existence of matter independent of perception.
esse est percipi

15. 30-20-10, name the author from the works:

- 30. The Dead Lecturer, Hard Facts
 - 20. Black Magic, Preface to a Twenty Volume Suicide Note
 - 10. Reggae or Not, Dutchman
- Imamu Amiri _Baraka_ or LeRoi _Jones_

16. Identify the following from the presidency of Calvin Coolidge, for the stated number of points.

- A. The 1924 immigration bill limited all immigration severely, but specifically prohibited immigration from one particular nation. FTP, which?
Japan

B. For 5, name the 1928 pact outlawing war.

Kellogg-Briand Pact

C. In 1928, Coolidge pocket-vetoes a controversial bill providing for government operation of what hydroelectric plant?

Muscle Shoals

17. Identify the Shakespeare play from a list of characters in it, FTP each.

A. Cesario, Orsino, Viola and Malvolio

Twelfth Night

B. Proteus, Silvia, Thurio, Valentine

Two Gentlemen of Verona

C. Angelo, Friar Lodowick, Claudio, Vincentio

Measure for Measure

18. For 5 points each, give the first names of the four principal kids on South Park.

Kyle, Stan, Kenny, Eric (don't accept Cartman)

For 5 more points each, name the two creators of South Park

Trey Parker and Matt Stone

19. Identify by name or nickname the following classical compositions; ten points each for the composition and 5 points each for the composer of each.

Spring Sonata or Fruehlingssonate or opus 24

Kreutzer Sonata or opus 47

Both are by Ludwig van Beethoven

20. For five points each, name the four territories that made up French Equatorial Africa between 1920 and 1958; for an additional 10, give the capital of French Equatorial Africa.

Gabon, Chad, Middle Congo and Ubangi-Shari; capital at Brazzaville

21. Identify the following from post- World War I Hungarian politics, for 15 points each.

A. The noble who was made premier upon the collapse of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy and in January 1919 was elected President.

Michael Karolyi

B. The communist dictator who seized power from Karolyi in March 1919 and overran Slovakia; he himself was defeated by a Romanian army of interventionists.

Bela Kun

22. Identify the following about alkanes FTP each:

A. Name the simplest alkane

Methane or CH₄

B. Give the general formula for the alkanes

C_nH_{2n+2} or C_nH_{2n+2}

C. Which is the simplest alkane which is also a liquid at room temperature?

pentane or C₅H₁₂

23. Identify these battles of the American Revolution during 1777, none of which is Saratoga, FTP each.

A. In August, a column of Hessians was decimated by the Green Mountain Boys led by John Stark and Seth Warner.

Bennington

B. On January 3, right after the Battle of Trenton, Washington surprised and defeated a superior British force.

Princeton

C. The battle fought on September 11, along a small creek in southeastern Pennsylvania, where the British under Howe forced back the Americans under Sullivan, leaving the British free to take Philadelphia.

Brandywine

24. To date, six spacecraft have visited the planet Jupiter. For five points each, name these craft.

Pioneer X

Pioneer XI

Voyager I

Voyager II

Ulysses

Galileo