

1/27/2005

2002 Singles Coming 'Atcha Beeyotch
Questions by Anthony de Jesus, with an assist from Leo Wolpert
One-on-One Set D (23 tossups)

1. In art restoration, this compound is used to convert black lead sulfide into white lead sulfate. Unstable at high concentrations, its decomposition is somewhat retarded by storage at low temperatures and the addition of organic compounds such as acetanilide. Its three percent solution is used as an antiseptic. For 10 points—what compound decomposes into water and oxygen and has a formula H_2O_2 ?

ANSWER: hydrogen peroxide (accept H_2O_2 before it is mentioned)

2. To the left of it is a ditch where the blind lead the blind, while to the right is a place where no good man can find ground to stand on. In the middle is the mouth of Hell, but the fiends coming out of the mouth are stopped by the words, "I will walk in the strength of the Lord God." It is where Christian goes after tangling with Apollyon in the Valley of Humiliation. For 10 points—name this other valley from *Pilgrim's Progress* once traversed by Coolio.

ANSWER: Valley of the Shadow of Death

3. He believed that ejaculation weakened men, as it would "remove a tendency to industry"; thus, he rejected birth control. Though he was influenced by Condorcet's idea of "perfectibilité," his work garnered economics the name of "the dismal science." For 10 points—name this man who noted the difference between arithmetic and geometric progressions in his *An Essay on the Principle of Population*.

ANSWER: Thomas Robert Malthus

4. Its highest point is in the Bonshaw Hills. It was originally known as *Abegweit*, meaning "Cradled on the Waves," by its originally inhabitants, the Mi'kmaq and now has such nicknames as the "Million-Acre Farm" and "Garden of the Gulf." One can now reach Borden-Carleton from Cape Jourimain on the mainland by crossing the Northumberland Strait on the eight-mile long Confederation Bridge. For 10 points—name this Maritime province whose capital is Charlottetown.

ANSWER: Prince Edward Island or PEI

5. They include the Fox Blockade, closing the ports between the mouth of the Elbe and Brest, as well the decree forcing neutral parties to trade with Continental Europe only through Great Britain. The monarch, after consulting with a certain advisory body, issues—for 10 points—what ordinances, most famously used by King George III in 1807 to prohibit trade with countries under Napoleonic control.

ANSWER: orders in council

6. Nicknamed "the Razor" for his reputation as an efficient bureaucrat, he only saw combat once, while directing operations at Chahar. After graduating from the Army Staff College, he went to Berlin as an assistant military attaché. Chief of staff of the Kwantung Army, he was chosen to prevent a military coup as a prime minister who was acceptable to the army. For 10 points—name this man who led Japan for much of World War II.

ANSWER: Hideki Tojo

7. These five words are "the saddest of possible words," they are "words that are heavy / with Nothing but trouble," describing a group which is "fleeter than birds" and "ruthlessly pricking our gonfalon bubble." Harry Steinfeldt probably felt left out, though. For 10 points—Franklin Pierce Adams wrote what poem decribing a trio of Cubs noted for turning the double play?

ANSWER: "Tinker to Evers to Chance"

8. It forms the grey bands in banded iron formation, a type of mineral deposit associated with the early Proterozoic Eon. Examples include the Fig Tree one in Africa, which is a source for bacteria-sized prokaryotic fossils. Nodules of it can be found in the cornific limestone of New York. An impure granular variety of cryptocrystalline quartz, it is the most common siliceous rock. For 10 points—name this mineral similar to, but more brittle than, flint.

ANSWER: chert

9. In July 2002, an opposition member tried to grab the ceremonial mace, leading to a brawl in this country's Parliament. The fracas is related to allegations by the minister of commerce that a secret video camera was carried into a cabinet meeting by the president, although the charge has been changed to carrying a bomb in a handbag. For 10 points—Chandrika Kumaratunga is the current president of what island nation with capital at Colombo?

ANSWER: Sri Lanka

10. His body was cut up, burned, ground up, and sown into the ground, bringing back to life. The son of Dagon, he was killed by Mot, god of the underworld, causing all life to go into stasis. His shrines were completely destroyed only by the efforts of King Hezekiah. For 10 points—name this Phoenician god of fertility mentioned in the Bible, whose name means "lord."

ANSWER: Baal-hadad

11. Lucan's widow, Polla, gave him a country estate north of Rome. This author of *Xena* and *Apophoreta* had been deprived of patronage when the aftermath of Piso's conspiracy wiped out many of the leading citizens of Roman Spain, where he was born. He first became prominent with his *Liber Spectaculorum*, or *Book of Spectacles*, written for the consecration of the Colosseum, but he is best known for his cynical, satirical wit. For 10 points—name this author known for his epigrams.

ANSWER: Marcus Valerius Martialis

12. He founded his own religion, The Metropolitan Church of Jesus the Leader, and played piano at the Black Cat Café in Montmartre after dropping out of the Paris Conservatory. This composer of *Socrate*, a choral work based on the dialogues of Plato, and of the ballets *Mercure* and *Parade*, was admired by Les Six. For 10 points—name this composer of piano works such as the *Gnossiennes* and the *Gymnopédies* and of such oddly-titled works as *Desiccated Embryos*.

ANSWER: Erik Satie

13. This event destroyed the last-known collections of the complete plays of Sophocles and Euripides. The people of the city deposed again an emperor after he promised to submit his people to the authority to pope. The Venetians saw a chance to eliminate a trading rival and, in lieu of payment, requested an attack. For 10 points—name this 1204 event, the ignominious end of the Fourth Crusade.

ANSWER: sack of Constantinople (accept equivalents, prompt on Fourth Crusade)

14. Although not a character in a Pearl S. Buck novel, he married a woman named O-Lan, but unlike Wang Lung he left his wife for actress Jessica Lange. A self-taught musician, he has composed music for his own work and depicted two rock stars confronting each other in *The Tooth of Crime*. Other works include *Curse of the Starving Class* and *True West*. For 10 points—what playwright associated with the Off-Off-Broadway movement has won the most Obie awards ever and won a Pulitzer for *Buried Child*?

ANSWER: Sam Shepard

15. Marshall Berman's *All That Is Solid Melts Into Air* takes its title from this work, which Berman claims is the "first great modernist work of art." Holding that "all that is holy is profaned, and men at last are forced to face with sober senses the real conditions of their lives and their relations with their fellow men," it begins with the awareness of a spectre, and ends saying that chains are the only thing that workers have to lose. For 10 points—name this statement by Friedrich Engels and Karl Marx.

ANSWER: Communist Manifesto

16. After making his money in wooden-wares, he served as chair of the Price Fixing Committee, and as a member of the Allied Purchasing Commission and the War Industries Board during World War I. He helped found a Graduate School of Economics and Government, and Institute of Economics, and an Institute for Government Research, which later merged. For 10 points—name this namesake of a private nonprofit organization in Washington D.C.

ANSWER: Robert Somers Brookings

17. It manufactures hyaluronic acid, which helps to glue animal cells together. It has a polar nature, with different thickness and compositions for the membranes of the flattened membranous sacs called cisternae,

which make up the stacks of this organelle. Copious in cells specializing in secretion, it is where the various molecules are modified, stored, and sent to other sites. For 10 points—name this organelle named for an Italian scientist.

ANSWER: Golgi body or apparatus

18. Max Blanck and Isaac Harris were acquitted in part because the jury believed those killed were less intelligent and had panicked as well as because it uncertain whether or not Blanck and Harris knew that the door was locked. The stairway leading to the roof was the only exit, as the doors were locked to keep the women from taking breaks in—for 10 points—the New York City factory location of what fiery tragedy of 1911?

ANSWER: Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire

19. This allows short-term memory to hold information indefinitely, though at the cost of not allowing new knowledge to be processed. It is more effective in deep processing, which processes info meaningfully, rather than maintenance, or shallow, processing, which only involves rote repetition. For 10 points—name this verbal memory technique involving conscious repetition of information.

ANSWER: rehearsal

20. Then-Home Secretary Winston Churchill claimed that his prison reform ideas were influenced by this man's 1910 play entitled *Justice*. His *A Modern Comedy* was not a play but the collection of his novels *The White Monkey*, *The Silver Spoon*, and *Swan Song*, a continuation of his best known work. For 10 points—name this Nobel Laureate who included *In Chancery*, *To Let*, and *The Man of Property* in his *The Forsyte Saga*.

ANSWER: John Galsworthy

21. It was created by enclosing a previously open 240-foot long gallery, which was part of the original garden facade. In imitation of Anabale Carracci's ceiling of the Palazzo Farnese, its vaulted ceiling was decorated with paintings by Charles Le Brun celebrating the life of Louis XIV. The interior wall was lined with extremely expensive namesake objects, imported from Venice. For 10 points—name this room of the Palais de Versaille, which looks larger than it is because natural light from the windows is reflected.

ANSWER: Hall of Mirrors or Galerie des Glaces

22. He shot an arrow through a revolving ring and hitting a moving target, and so won the hand of the daughter of Drupada and gained an alliance with the Panchalas. His brother Yudhishtira lost his kingdom at dice and in the effort to get it back, this man was named war leader. However, he loses his nerve over the fact that he must kill old friends and kinsmen, prompting a discourse on yoga from his charioteer. For 10 points—name this leader of the Pandava who appears with Krishna in the *Bhagavid Gita*.

ANSWER: Arjuna

23. He wrote the first physics textbooks for American students that had not been translated. He named cosmic rays while at Caltech, where he was *de facto* president as chairman of the executive council. He built on the work of H. A. Wilson in constructing a strong battery for creating an electric field between two metal plates. For 10 points—name this physicist whose oil-drop experiment gave the charge of an electron.

ANSWER: Robert Andrews Millikin