

VETO 2007

TOSSUPS

T1. Asteroid 2734 is named in honour of this early 20th-century satirist. His three-year marriage with Jarmila Mayerová led historian Jindřich Chaloupecký to conclude that he has a homosexual. Born in the town of Lipnice, he took on minor trades including selling dogs and editor of the journal *Animal World* before attempting to finish his main literary work a man's anecdotal experiences during World War I. For 10 points, name this Czech author who left his work *The Good Soldier Švejk* unfinished upon his 1923 death. (Literature 1)

Answer: Jaroslav Hašek

T2. The myth of the “dissectible” one of these devices was first demonstrated in a 1749 letter by Benjamin Franklin showing that the energy is stored on the dielectric, and not the plates. Frequently called by Germans as von Kleist's bottle, its more popular name is derived from the Dutch University where Pieter van Musschenbroek made a parallel discovery of it. For 10 points, name this scientific device for storing electric charge usually housed in a glass container. (Science 1)

Answer: Leyden Jar (accept: von Kleist's bottle early)

T3. In 1870, Phelan & Collender of New York City offered a \$10,000 US award to anyone who can find a suitable material substitute for these objects due to the endangerment of animals that produced its current material. Its first proposed material, Celluloid, resulted in explosions when struck together. Today, phenolic resin or Bakelite ones are sold under the brand names Aramith and Brunswick Central. For 10 points, name these gaming accessories that come in sets of 3, 16 and 22. (General Knowledge 1)

Answer: billiard balls (accept clear-knowledge equivalents)

T4. In 2000, Russian actor Vassily Livanov was acknowledged by the English press to be the best film performer portraying this fictional Englishman. Other actors portraying this character in film include Canadian Raymond Massey in 1931's *The Speckled Band*, John Cleese in 1977's *The Strange Case of the End of Civilization as We Know It*, and a series of films between 1939 and 1946 by Basil Rathbone. For 10 points, name this often-portrayed Arthur Conan Doyle sleuth who sometimes acquires assistance from “The Baker Street Irregulars”. (General Knowledge 2)

Answer: Sherlock Holmes

T5. Its playing area measures 146 feet in length and between 14 feet 2 inches and 16 feet 5 inches wide and the game objects are a maximum weight of 44 pounds. Although being an official Olympic sport since the 1998 Olympics, sport officials decided that the games played in the 1924 Olympics would also count as formal and not demonstration games. For 10 points, name this winter sport where players throw rocks down a sheet trying to get them on the button in the house. (Pop Culture, Sports 1)

Answer: curling

T6. 19th-century Romantic artist Bertalan Szekely painted an 1866 oil-on-canvas depiction of this August 29, 1526 battle. Two great armies faced off in a swampy plain with the outcome determining the fate of the Kingdom of Hungary as a nation for the next three centuries. The result was the country being split into three, with one-third being semi-autonomous, one going to the Hapsburgs and one being ruled by the victorious Ottomans. For 10 points, name this battle. (History 1)

Answer: The Battle of Mohacs [MO-HATCH]

T7. Born in 1954 in the city of Le Mans, he held several positions in municipal politics before joining the UMP. During his tenure as Minister of Labour, he enacted several controversial reforms of retirement and reduced the national work week to 35 hours. As Minister of Education, his eponymous law adopted in 2005 met with widespread student demonstrations. For 10 points name this politician recently appointed by President Nicolas Sarkozy as France's current prime minister. (Current Events 1)

Answer: François Fillon

T8. In *Atlamál*, his son, Hniflung, avenges his death and the deaths of his kin together with his aunt Guðrún. The *Thidreks* saga claims he was fathered by an elf meaning he was not fully human. According to this account, he killed the hero Siegfried during a hunt by stabbing him in the back. For 10 points, name this legendary warrior, one of the last survivors of the Burgundian kingdom at Worms, and half brother of the King Günther. (Mythology 1)

Answer: Hagen (accept: Hogni the Old Norse equivalent)

T9. Originally founded by the Celtic Carpetani people, this city was the capital of Visigothic Spain until it was taken by the Moors in the 8th century. Under the Moors, the city thrived economically and enjoyed a period of *convivencia*, peaceful co-existence of Christians, Muslims and Jews. It was captured by Castile in 1085 and served as capital until the court moved to Madrid in 1561. A world heritage site since 1986 and home to artist El Greco, for 10 points, name this Spanish city, also the name of a city in Ohio. (Geography 1)

Answer: Toledo

T10. Born in the town of Clausthal in the Harz mountains, he obtained a medical degree under Jakob Henle. He served in the Franco-Prussian war and was posted as a medical officer in Wollstein in East Prussia. Credited with refining the process of culturing bacteria with the Petri dish being named for one of his assistants, he is best known for discovering the pathogens responsible for Cholera and Tuberculosis. For 10 points, name this 19th-century German scientist, one of the two principal founders of bacteriology, famous for his "postulates". (Science 2)

Answer: Robert Koch

T11. Born in Colmar in 1834, he was a widely known sculptor of his time. A friend of Ferdinand de Lesseps, he presented plans to Khedive Ismail of Egypt to build a massive lighthouse at the entrance of the Suez Canal. He envisioned a likeness of the Roman goddess Libertas wearing an Egyptian peasant's robe and thrusting a torch toward the sky. For 10 points, name this Frenchman who, despite failing to gain approval for the last project, is well known today for his most famous work, the Statue of Liberty. (Fine Arts 1)

Answer: Frederic Auguste Bartholdi (accept: Amilcar Hasenfratz)

T12. Subdivided into 23 subdistricts including Stammheim and Feuerbach, this city's coat of arms depicts a black horse. Appropriate since it occupies the site of a stud farm founded by Duke Liudolf where horses for the cavalry of Emperor Otto I were bred. Later the seat of the Dukes of Württemberg, it is now home to more than two million inhabitants and a major economic centre best known for its automobile industry. For 10 points, name this German city, home to Daimler-Chrysler and Porsche. (Geography 2)

Answer: Stuttgart

T13. He served as a sniper for the 13th Montreal Battalion of the Black Watch during World War I in France where an unrecoverable foot wound led to an honourable discharge and disability pension. A well-respected environmentalist, he wrote a series of articles for the Canadian Forestry Association in 1931 and promoted his works on conservation throughout England under the guise of an Ojibwa costume. For 10 points, name this man whose Indian heritage was found to be a fraud according to publicist Lovat Dickson. (History 2)

Answer: Grey Owl (accept: Archibald Belaney)

T14. In Hawaiian culture, it is known as the 'alamahi syndrome. In Filipino culture, it describes the attitude to "outdo another at the other's expense" or to "pull down those who strive to be better." Analogous to Aesop's moral to the fable *The Dog in the Manger*, this sociological term is derived from the behaviour of its namesake animals in a pot where one tries to escape over the side, but is relentlessly pulled down by the others in the pot. For 10 points, name this mentality which sounds as if it applies to people born under the astrological sign Cancer. (Social Sciences 1)

Answer: crab mentality

T15. In 1969, he wrote a critique essay on Leonard Cohen two years after completing his first collection of poems entitled *The Dainty Monsters*. His first work of fiction, 1976's *Coming Through Slaughter*, tells the life and demise of New Orleans jazz cornetist Buddy Bolden. But his most famous fictional work tells the story of Almásy, the title character, and his relationship with a 20-year old Canadian nurse named Hana. For 10 points, name this author of *The English Patient*. (Literature 2)

Answer: Michael Ondaatje

T16. At first glance, people with this condition appear to be giving the Vulcan salute. The inheritance pattern of this congenital condition has been found to be autosomal dominant. Case studies include the isolated Vadoma tribe living west of Zimbabwe, as well as Bree Walker, a Los Angeles news anchor also known for acting on the HBO series *Carnivale*, as Sabina Engstrom, "The Scorpion Queen". For 10 points, name this genetic mutation that causes a cleft malformation of the hands and feet, often giving the affected limbs the appearance of lobster claws. (Science 3)

Answer: ectrodactyly (Accept: Karsch-Neugebauer syndrome or lobster claw syndrome before being mentioned)

T17. Known to be dangerous with lawn darts, this Polish-American actor had small parts on the silver screen as a military correspondence secretary in *Jarhead*, and a young newlywed in *Kinsey*. In the third season of his current television series, he co-stars with former girlfriend Rashida Jones. A native of Newton, Massachusetts, he previously worked on a theatre production written by another co-star, B.J. Novak. For 10 points, name this actor from the US version of *The Office*, best known for playing the incorrigible Jim Halpert. (Pop Culture 2)

Answer: John Krasinski

T18. Sir George Nares was the first known person to reach it around 1876. Located at 82 degrees 28 minutes North and 62 degrees 30 minutes West, it is about 10 km west of Cape Sheridan on the shore of ice-covered Lincoln Sea. Surrounded by a rugged terrain of hills and valleys, and a shore composed of slate and shale, access to it has been restricted since the Canadian military took control in 1958. For 10 points, name this northernmost settlement in the world named for the ship Sir George Nares commanded to get there. (Geography 3)

Answer: Alert, Nunavut

T19. WARNING: The first and last name's the same and required. One was Deputy Sheriff under Sheriff William Brady during the New Mexico's Lincoln County War of the late 19th-century. Another, with the middle name Lionel, is a UK business tycoon who received a knighthood for his contributions in youth sport. For 10 points, what is this name given to the Canadian composer of *The Great Lakes Suite* and *Canada Dash – Canada Dot* as well as Owen Wilson's character in the 2005 film *The Wedding Crashers*? (General Knowledge 3)

Answer: John Beckwith (NOTE: both names are required, prompt on either part)

T20. He served in World War II as a medic in the 7th Light Field Ambulance unit and it was then when he decided to become an actor upon seeing the London production of *Arsenic and Old Lace*. Upon returning to Canada, he studied at the University of Toronto's Trinity College and acted at Hart House Theatre. He would eventually perfect his craft with the Stratford Festival appearing in more than 100 plays, especially portraying Shakespearean leads. For 10 points, name this versatile Canadian actor who, at age 87, succumbed to leukemia in late-June 2007. (Fine Arts 2)

Answer: William Hutt

T21. This man blamed his deteriorating eyesight on his demanding cartography work he performed for the St. Petersburg Academy. Prior to that, he was a medical student in Basel, received a title of lieutenant of the Russian fleet, and wrote a first textbook of analytical mechanics and developed the equations describing the rotations of a solid object. For 10 points, name the Swiss mathematician, who introduced the constant “e” into mathematics. (Science 4)

Answer: Leonard Euler [OY-LER]

T22. This chemist studied medicine in Turin and started his career as a doctor. Known for first introducing the use of chlorine as a bleach, he worked together with Antoine Lavoisier to develop the system of chemical nomenclature. For 10 points, name this French chemist after whom a strong oxidizing agent potassium chlorate is named. (Science 5)

Answer: Claude Berthollet

T23. It was launched on June 6, 1971, from Baikonur Cosmodrome in the central Soviet Socialist Republic of Kazakh with Vladislav Volkov, Georgi Dobrovolski and Viktor Patsayev on board. Upon completion of its docking mission after 23 days, re-entry appeared routine until the recovery team found the entire crew dead from asphyxiation due to a faulty valve upon descent. For 10 points, name this Soviet spacecraft the first to successfully to dock with the world’s first space station, Salyut 1. (History 3)

Answer: Soyuz 11 (prompt on: Soyuz)

T24. Often broad and flattened in herbivores, for some species they never stop growing. In carnivores, they are laterally compressed and provide scissor-like action for shearing and slicing flesh. For 10 points, give this common, collective term for premolars and molars. (Science 6)

Answer: cheek teeth (prompt on: teeth)