Toss-Up Round 3:

1. In the election of 1800, party-pledged electors were chosen. The procedure which called for the casting of two ballots lead to tie between Thomas Jefferson and his running mate, Aaron Burr. To prevent such an event from reoccurring Congress took action. For 10 points, what amendment to the Constitution was passed to resolve this problem.
     Answer: 12th

2. It is a highly inflected langauge, with elaborate noun, adjective and verb morphologies. Its present day descendant languages include Oriya, Marathi, Konkani, Bengali, and Hindi. For 10 points, identify this language in which many of the great works of Hindu literature is written.
     Answer: Sanskrit

3. What is the slope of the line tangent to the function y=x squared plus 6 at the point x equals zero?
     Answer: zero

4. Composed in 1816, it is set in Seville. The plot develops around the efforts of the title character to aid Count Almaviv marry Rosina. For 10 ponts, identify this opera, based on a work by Beaumarchais, composed by Rossini.
     Answer: The Barber Seville

5. In addition to his most famous invention, he devised the electrophorus, which once charged could transfer that charge to other devices. For 10 points, identify this 18th and 19th century Italian physicist and inventor of the battery.
     Answer: Alessandro Volta

6. Among the planks in its platform were anti-trust legislation, direct election of senators, and women's suffrage. For 10 points, identify this American third party name adopted by candidates in 1924, 1948, and 1912.
     Answer: Progressive Party

7. Keeping the chain rule in mind, what is the derivative of the function y equals sin 2x?
     Answer: 2 cosine 2x

8. It begins: "To him who in the love of nature holds/Communion with her visible forms, she speaks". It was written when the poet was only 17 and is an introspective poem on death. For 10 points, identify this Greek-titled poem by William Cullent Bryant.
     Answer: Thanatopsis

9. In what state would you find Lake Clark, Katmai, Glacier Bay, and Denali national parks?
     Answer: Alaska

10. In humans it is a term that refers to the product of either spermatogenesis or oogenesis. For 10 points, what is the word for sex cells that when combined form a zygote?

Answer: gamete(s)

11. His career as an opera conductor began in 1946 with the American premier of Britten's Peter Grimes. However, he is just as well known as a composer. For 10 points, identify this creator of West Side Story.
    Answer: Leonard Bernstein

12. The earliest know one is at Eridu and dates from the 5th millenium B.C. One at Uruk was enlarged and improved and used for almost four thousand years. For 10 pons, identify these temple towers that were important features of religious architecture throughout the history of mesopotamia.
    Answer: Ziggurat(s)

13. The first was launched in August, 1977 and made its closest approach to the cloud tops of Jupiter in 1979. The second was launched in September, 1977 and visited Saturn, Neptune and Uranus before speeding out of the solar system. For 10 points, identify these identical U.S. space probes.
    Answer: Voyager

14. For 10 points, The Third Life of Grange Copland, Revolutionary Petunias, Meridian and In Love and Trouble are all lesser known works by what author of The Color Purple?
    Answer: Alice Walker

15. In despair, this 19th century figure turned to painting. An admirer of Millet and Zola, he painted such works as Bedroom at Arles, The Portrait of Dr. Gachet, and Wheat Field with Cypress Trees. For 10 points, identify this artist whose most famous work is "Starry Night".
    Answer: Vincent Van Gogh

16.   In 1895, US Secretary of State Richard Olney invoked the Monroe Doctrine against Great Britain. He did so because of a dispute between Britain over the border of British Guiana and what South American nation with its capital at Caracas?
    Answer: Venezuela