

Every Man For Himself I - 2000

Final Round 1

1. Known for its 14th-century chateau and its annual horse race, a strawberry dessert bears its name, as does a frilly material used in evening gowns that is scalloped along one edge and often has a design of baskets of flowers. For 10 points--name this French town just north of Paris that was associated by the Big Bopper with "a pretty face, a pony tail hangin' down, a wiggle in her walk, and a giggle in her talk".

Answer: Chantilly (Lace)

2. Types B, R and S are part platinum and part rhodium. Type C uses a tungsten-rhenium combination, while Types T and J use constantan at the negative end and either iron or copper at the positive end. For 10 points--name these instruments that measure temperature by noting the voltage difference between two dissimilar metals.

Answer: thermocouple

3. "I like mine with lettuce and tomatoes, Heinz 57 and french-fried potatoes, A big kosher pickle and a cold draft beer, Good God Almighty, which way do I steer?" This is the bridge section of --for 10 points-- what "heavenly" food-related song by Jimmy Buffett?

Answer: Cheeseburger in Paradise (prompt on "Jimmy Buffett" before his name is read)

4. He enlisted in Almeida's 1505 expedition and may have traveled to the China Sea. Back in Portugal, he organized his own fleet after King Manoel the Fortunate refused to finance a ship to explore past the Moluccas. Leaving the Guadalquivir River on September 20, 1519, neither he nor four of his five ships made it back. For 10 points--name this explorer killed on a beach in the Philippines after sailing around South America and across the Pacific.

Answer: Ferdinand Magellan (or Fernao de Magalhaes)

5. First expounded at a 1992 economic conference, it is so simple that some Fed workers now make charts explaining it to their bosses. It says that interest rates should fall by half a percent whenever economic output reaches one percentage point below full capacity, and that rates should rise by 1.5 percent for every percentage point that inflation is above the Fed's goal. For 10 points--identify the namesake of this "rule."

Answer: John Taylor

6. Jake Blount is a roving revolutionary. Biff Brannon is a café owner who is widowed near the beginning of the story. Dr. Copeland is a black physician struggling against Southern oppression in the pre-civil-rights era. At the center of the tale are Mick Kelly, a lonely adolescent girl, and the relationship between the two deaf mutes Spiros Antonopolous and John Singer. These are all characters in--for 10 points--what novel by Carson McCullers?

Answer: The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter

7. Its alumni association awards a scholarship named for co-founder Northrup Knox. Famous names associated with this franchise also include Tim Darling (its first announcer), "Punch" Imlach (who coached them to the league finals in 1975) and Gilbert Perreault [zhil-BAIR pa-ROW] (its first draft pick and center on its famed "French Connection" line). For 10 points--name this hockey team.

Answer: Buffalo Sabres (accept either)

8. Four and a half times heavier than air, it's non-toxic by itself but becomes toxic when combined with anything else, like halogens or alkali metals. It is the most popular gas used in strobe lamps and in high-speed electronic flash bulbs. For 10 points--name this "strange" or "foreign" element that is found on the periodic table just below krypton and just above radon.

Answer: xenon

9. The Navy base on it contains the U.S. Naval Test Pilot School. Its southern tip flows into the Chesapeake Bay just north of where the Bay meets the Potomac River. For 10 points--name this river that flows through southern Maryland and is often called "Pax" by its nearby residents.

Answer: Patuxent River

10. Sir Julian Byng's Canadian Corps obtained Hill 145 above the Douai Plain in this battle whose two-pylon memorial was unveiled by Edward VIII almost 20 years after the battle began on Easter Monday 1917. For 10 points--identify this World War I battle named for the area of occupied France where it took place.

Answer: Battle of Vimy Ridge

11. His collected works are available in such combinations as *Plays from the Cynical Life*, his Pre- and Post-Inferno Periods, and *Plays of Confession and Therapy*. For 10 points--name this European man of letters whose 1996 edition of his plays included *A Dream Play*, *The Dance of Death*, *The Father*, *The Ghost Sonata* and *Miss Julie*.

Answer: August Strindberg

12. Soon after its invention by a Johns Hopkins chemist, Teddy Roosevelt called anyone who thought it was hazardous "an idiot". But after massive doses of it caused bladder tumors in some rats, it was placed on the federal list of cancer-causing chemicals until May 2000. For 10 points--name this main ingredient in the sugar substitute Sweet 'n' Low.

Answer: saccharin

13. When John Ruskin saw this Japanese-style landscape, he said, "I never expected to hear a coxcomb ask 200 guineas for flinging a pot of paint in the public's face." Its painter promptly sued, and though he won only one farthing in damages and went bankrupt himself, he ended Ruskin's career as an art critic. For 10 points--give either title of this 1877 work by James McNeill Whistler.

Answer: Nocturne in Black and Gold or the Falling Rocket (prompt on "Whistler" before his name is read)

14. His scientific treatises include the 1755 *General Natural History and Theory of the Heavens*, which suggested that the universe was formed from a spinning nebula. Decades later, he argued that actions performed for expediency or solely in obedience to law or custom cannot be regarded as moral. For 10 points--name this German whose *Metaphysics of Ethics* argued that one must "act as if the maxim of your action were to become, through your will, a general natural law."

Answer: Immanuel Kant

15. A fertile rice-growing region, this narrow coastal plain is bordered by the Western Ghats mountain range and the Arabian Sea. It extends about 525 miles, from Goa in the north to Cape Comorin in the south. For 10 points--name this coastal region that includes parts of the Indian states Kerala and Karnataka.

Answer: the Malabar Coast

16. This 1895 work by Banjo Paterson contains *An Idyll of Dandaloo* and sold out its first edition during its first week in print. Even today, it sells more copies than any other poetry book in Australia. For 10 points--name this collection whose title poem was made into a 1982 film about a young man who goes into the mountains, single-handedly corrals a group of wild horses, and catches the tame horse that had run away.

Answer: The Man from Snowy River and Other Verses

17. His journal tells of his service as treasurer of Panfilo de Narváez's expedition to Florida in 1528, hoping to discover the fabled gold-laden lands of Apalachen. After an overland trek and incredible privation, he and the other survivors wandered in what is now the American Southwest for nearly eight years before returning to Portugal in 1537. For 10 points--name this explorer predating Coronado and De Soto whose name in Spanish means "cow's head".

Answer: Alvar Nuñez Cabeza de Vaca

18. He proved a hard man to catch but finally told Menelaus that he needed to return to Egypt and build a memorial for Agamemnon. For 10 points--name this character in Homer's *Odyssey* who didn't tell Menelaus anything until after he'd changed into water, a tree, a lion, a snake, a panther, and a boar.

Answer: Proteus

19. In recent years, its archeological site at Drimolen has yielded more than 50 specimens of *Australopithecus robustus*, including two skulls christened Orpheus and Eurydice. For 10 points--name this country where travel agencies advertise Drimolen and two other main sites in the Sterkfontein Valley as being just 45 minutes from Johannesburg.

Answer: South Africa

20. Some of them have parts so shallow that they can be waded across, while others may be up to 2,000 feet deep. Alaska's Kenai Peninsula has many of them, while the most southerly one in North America is at Porteau Cove National Park near Vancouver, Canada. For 10 points--give this Norwegian term for a long, steep-sided valley carved out by glaciers and now filled with ocean water.

Answer: fjord

21. His fiction between 1830 and 1839 included *The Waterwitch*, *The Heidenmauer*, and *Homeward Bound*. During that time, his non-fiction included *Sketches of Switzerland* and a history of his country's Navy. For 10 points, name this American author who wrote *The Pioneers* before all of the works just mentioned and *The Pathfinder* after them.

Answer: James Fenimore Cooper

22. Made by the Aesir, it is also called Asbru, referring to its makers. At the end of the cosmos, it will collapse. Guarded by Heimdall, it is the only way for the giants to enter Asgard. For 10 points--name this structure between Midgard and Asgard that is the "rainbow bridge" of Norse mythology.

Answer: Bifrost

23. As a physicist, he showed that electric current flows at the speed of light. As a chemist working with Robert Bunsen, he determined the composition of the sun, explained the Fraunhofer lines in its spectrum, and helped discover cesium and rubidium. For 10 points--name this man that, as an engineer, is the namesake of two laws that help solve basic electrical circuits.

Answer: Gustav Robert Kirchoff

24. In 1992, he successfully hammered Thomas Downey for his role in the Congressional check kiting affair. He now has a reputation as a right-leaning moderate, serving on the House Banking and Commerce Committees and chairing the Subcommittee on Housing. For 10 points--name this son of a Lindenhurst, New York auto parts dealer who got even more limelight in the spring of 2000 when he was nominated to run for the Senate against Hillary Clinton.

Answer: Rick Lazio

25. In 1937, Pulitzer-winning editor Grover Hall asserted that it had severely injured Alabama in the public mind, saying that "the reputation in civilized countries of our beloved State...is worth more than the 'honor' of two 50-cent prostitutes." He was referring to--for 10 points--what celebrated case which began in March 1931 when nine young black men were charged with rape?

Answer: the Scottsboro Boys (or case)

26. Avoiding service in World War II because of his slow-congealing blood, he stayed home and earned enough money for a Texas ranch by making the money list in each of the 133 tournaments he entered during the 1940's. For 10 points--what golfer's Little Black Book contains his diary for the year 1945, when he won 11 straight tournaments?

Answer: Byron Nelson

27. Its "plaintive anthem fades past the near meadows, over the still stream, up the hill-side; and now 'tis buried deep in the next valley-glades." It is described as a "light-winged Dryad of the trees in some melodious plot of beechen green", untrodden down by hungry generations." For 10 points--name this subject of an ode by John Keats.

Answer: nightingale

28. Using Henrietta Leavitt's observation that the periodicity of Cepheid variables is tied to the brightness, he showed that the center of the Milky Way is tens of thousands of light-years away from Earth. He also showed that the sun is not at the center of the galaxy, but revolves around it at a distance of about 50,000 light years. For 10 points--name this long-time director of the Harvard Observatory.

Answer: Harlow Shapley

29. Those of Brahms include Opus 29, 74 and 110. Mendelssohn wrote three of them for chorus and organ, while Aaron Copland wrote four. Palestrina's and Bruckner's *Ave Maria* both fit into this category, as does Bach's *Sing unto the Lord a New Song*. For 10 points--identify this type of religious musical composition whose name comes from the French word for "word".

Answer: motet

30. Lying near the Gulf of Corinth, this home of the quadrennial Pythian games was considered the navel of the universe and contained the Temple of Apollo at the exact site of the navel. Its name comes from the Greek for "brothers", referring to the twin peaks of Mount Parnassus that loomed above this religious/sports/arts center. For 10 points--name this city also known for its oracles.

Answer: Delphi