

Every Man For Himself I - 2000 Seeding Round 4

1. A 2000 book by Eva Harris describes how to do it cheap: Sample your own DNA, add water, and boil. Throw the mixture into a "soup" that includes a buffer, a drop of mineral oil, and magnesium chloride. Put the result into three consecutive hot-water baths, none of which are actually boiling. Within 3-4 hours, you should have a large quantity of your own DNA by means of--for 10 points--what recently-developed scientific technique?
Answer: Polymerase Chain Reaction (or PCR)
2. Said to have accompanied the Apostle Philip as a missionary to Gaul, he was then given twelve disciples and told to establish Christianity in Britain. For 10 points--name this man most famous for begging the body of Jesus and keeping it for three days in a tomb he owned.
Answer: Joseph of Arimathea
3. The opera house in Telluride, Colorado. The college featured in the Ronald Reagan movie *Bedtime for Bonzo*. The son of Richard and Hyacinth in the British sitcom *Keeping Up Appearances*. For 10 points--give the name shared by all of them that is also the last name of actress Ann, Civil War general Philip, and British playwright Richard Brinsley.
Answer: Sheridan
4. Britain's King George III definitely had it. People thought to be vampires may have had it too, as the lack of necessary blood enzymes is aggravated by garlic and by sunlight, which causes lesions on the body. For 10 points--name this inherited disease whose sufferers cannot make the part of hemoglobin that contains iron.
Answer: porphyria
5. He was assassinated in Chicago on February 13, 1976 by Paul Lazzaro during a lecture he was giving on "time." He felt that it was silly to cry at a funeral because, as he told his lecture audience, the "most important thing I learned on Tralfamadore was that when a person dies, he only appears to die." For 10 points--name this lead character who becomes "unstuck in time" during the 1945 fire-bombing of Dresden in Kurt Vonnegut's *Slaughterhouse Five*.
Answer: Billy Pilgrim
6. A Leo Janacek capriccio, an Arnold Bax concertante, a Bela Bartók Allegro for children, and a Brahms study in E-flat major. For 10 points--what interesting characteristic do they all share with Alexander Scriabin's Prelude in C-sharp minor and Maurice Ravel's Piano Concerto in D major?
Answer: all are titled "for the left hand"
7. At one time, its goal was "to diffuse among the people correct information on all interesting subjects, to inculcate just principles in religion, morals, and politics; and to cultivate a taste for sound literature." Though it may have succeeded at this while edited by Alexander Hamilton and William Cullen Bryant, it no longer has such lofty ambitions now that it's owned by Rupert Murdoch. For 10 points--name this New York tabloid newspaper.
Answer: New York Post (or New York Evening Post)
8. Assistant director of the 1970 Woodstock film, producer of *The Grifters* and *Mad Dog and Glory*, and writer for *GoodFellas* are just a few movie credits of --for 10 points--what director who also took cameo roles in his films *Raging Bull* and *Taxi Driver*?
Answer: Martin Scorsese
9. Many physicists consider it a "fictional force" because it is directed outward from the axis of rotation only when the frame of reference is accelerating. For 10 points--name this force that disappears when the reference point is stationary but can be felt inside cream separators, clothes dryers, and cars going around a curve.
Answer: centrifugal force (not "centripetal")
10. When the Spanish left soldiers there that were supposedly terminally ill and returned to see them in fine health, it was named for the Spanish word for "cure." Captured by the Dutch in 1634, it now gives its name to a liqueur made with bitter orange peel. For 10 points--name this island 60 miles off the coast of Venezuela that is the largest of the Netherlands Antilles.
Answer: Curaçao