

### WORLDSTAR Round 3

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- Description Acceptable* Ṭaha Ḥussein’s controversial 1926 study of this period’s poetry argued that much of it was written later. A poem from this period describes a wolf, a hyena, and a leopard as “the family that does not spread the secret entrusted to them” and ends every line with a word ending in “L.” That “L-Poem” is exemplary of writers from this period known as the “vagabond” or “brigand” poets. A work from this period describes its author having sex with a woman as she nurses a child after an opening invocation to abandoned camps. (\*) Imru’ al-Qays wrote in this period, and the seven best poems from this period were said to have been written in gold and suspended from a shrine and were hence called “Hanging Odes” or “Mu‘allaqāt.” The *qaṣīda* developed in this period. For 10 points, name this period ended by a book at pains to specify its revelation to a non-poet from Mecca.  
ANSWER: al-Jāhiliyya [or the Age of Ignorance (and word forms); accept any answer that describes Pre-Islamic Arabia or periods before Muhammad or before the Qur’ān] <JG>
- Robert Thornton attempted to create a colony in what is now this region for the Grand Duke of Tuscany. Operations Harpie and Harpie Reinforce targeted illegal gold prospectors attempting to enter this region. This region was the birthplace of the colonial governor and Free French leader Félix Éboué. A collective from this region that calls itself “the 500 Brothers” catalyzed a massive 2017 general strike in this region. (\*) From 1885, this region was the destination of those marked as *rélégés*. René Belbenoit actually performed a feat in this region that is recounted in the likely fictional “memoir” *Papillon*, by Henri Charrière. This region contains the European Space Agency’s primary space center, as well as the former prison colonies on the Îles du Salut. For 10 points, name this overseas département, best known for the site of Alfred Dreyfuss’s imprisonment, Devil’s Island.  
ANSWER: French Guiana [or La Guyane Française; accept simply La Guyane (gee-YAHN) but prompt on Guyana] <EJW>
- One of these works of art references a man who may have shot himself to avoid freezing to death after getting lost during a hunt. A portion of another one of these works is titled “Smallpox used them up” and depicts a different man shooting himself. These works were often arranged in spiral patterns with the most recent portions on the inside, and one of the most famous depicts the arrest of the war leader Gall by Nelson (\*) Miles. The Hunkpapa High Dog and the Brule Kills Two produced these works of art; High Dog’s extraordinarily covers 114 years. A glyph would be added to these works of art each year during their namesake season. For ten points, name these Lakota artworks that recorded time via notable events that occurred each year.  
ANSWER: Winter Counts <JM>
- In 1985, this modern day country and Wales became the first “twinned” countries as part of a link championed by the Dolen Cymru charity. After a successful cattle raid, one ruler of a kingdom centred in this modern day country composed a poem comparing himself to a razor shaving the beard of chief Ramonaheng, which gave him the name by which he is best known. That ruler made his capital on a plateau believed to grow at night, Thaba Bosiu, where he repelled invaders in 1858 during Senekal’s war. Mantsebo served as regent in this country allying herself with the BNP(\*) of Lebua Jonathan before the accession of Bereng Seisso as chief paramount of Basutoland in 1960. For 10 points, name this monarchy established by Moshoeshoe I and bordering South Africa with capital at Maseru.  
ANSWER: Lesotho <DJ>

5. A “Perforated Relief” from this city-state contains the first known mention of trade with Dilmun and depicts the founder of its 1<sup>st</sup> Dynasty, Ur-Nanshe. This city-state’s patron god Ningirsu aids its king Eannatum as the title animals carry enemies’ heads in their beaks in the so-called “Stele of the Vultures” from this city-state. This city-state saw one of the earliest known anti-corruption drives initiated by its king Urukagina. This city-state was home to the Ibgal temple complex, (\*) adjacent to which is the first known brewery. Several cylinders found at this city-state’s capital of Girsu expound on the building projects of this city-state’s king Gudea. Boundary stones between this city-state and its northern neighbor recount kings of Kish arbitrating constant border disputes between the two. For 10 points, name this Sumerian city-state that often fought with the neighboring city of Umma.  
ANSWER: Lagash [also accept Girsu until mentioned] <JG>
6. Upon being asked how he defecated, one of these people legendarily replied “dryly, like a sheep”, while an early Byzantine chronicle was mistakenly attributed to one of these people named Joshua until the 1950s. According to Lucian, an early group of these people were centered on Hierapolis and called themselves the *phallobates*. One of these people named Daniel was affixed to a plank after his death so that his corpse could be used as an icon and spent 9 years exorcising a pagan temple. Patriarch Dominos II of Antioch climbed to the top (\*) of one of these people’s habitation to celebrate liturgy with him. That one of these people lived at Tellanissa in Syria for 37 years, in which he mostly sat on a platform 6 to 8 feet off the ground. For ten points, name these people who included St. Simon and were notable for sitting on top of pillars for extended periods of time.  
ANSWER: Stylites (prompt on ascetics, hermits, monks) <JM>
7. *Rekuhkara* is a version of this art form executed by two collaborators among the Ainu of Sakhalin Island. A documentary by Roko Belic depicts the American singer-songwriter Paul Pena traveling to learn this art form from its most prominent contemporary master. A type of this art form likely arose as a contest between bored Inuit housewives, and a notable contemporary proponent of that type of this art is Tanya Tagaq. The duo Fish Symbolized Stamp is a pioneer in combining this art form with hip (\*) hop, particularly using its *kargyraa* sub-technique. Kongar ol-Ondar promoted this art form with a Warner Bros. album showing its main techniques of *sygyt* and *khöömei*. For 10 points, name this art form, in which singers shape their mouths to create overtones over a drone and thus seem to sing multiple notes at once, most associated with the Russian republic of Tuva.  
ANSWER throat-singing [accept word-forms, accept khöömei or overtone-singing or Tuvan throat-singing and wordforms until mentioned; prompt on katajjaq (the Inuit version mentioned); prompt on sygyt or kargyraa until mentioned; anti-prompt on Mongolian throat-singing] (Kongar ol-Ondar’s album was given the cringe-inducing title of *Back Tuva Future*) <JG>
8. William Edgar Easton was best known for a series of two plays about this country’s history, and one play set in this country has roles for the Dukes of Lemonade and Marmelade. A member of a group of female authors from this country, the Evening Spiders, wrote the novel *Love, Anger, Madness*. Madison Smartt Bell wrote a trilogy of novels including *The Stone that the Builder Refused* and *All Souls Rising* about this country’s struggle for independence. A Communist leader from this country wrote the novel *Masters of the Dew*, and Mackandal (\*) is a semi-mythical rebel figure in one magical realist novel set in this country. Aime Cesaire’s most famous play depicts an emperor of this country, and one author born in this country wrote novels such as *Breath, Eyes, Memory* and *Krik? Krak!* Alejo Carpentier’s *The Kingdom of This World* is set during this country’s revolution. For ten points, name this Caribbean nation whose negritude authors often wrote in its French-based creole.  
ANSWER: Haiti <JM>

9. **The rulers of the Shilluk kingdom of South Sudan traced their lineage to a man who was half-[this animal] vertically. The Nambikwara people of the Sepik Basin credit their social order to a spirit in the form of this animal called Nashut and ritually scarify themselves to resemble these animals. The term “wani” is often interpreted as referring to this real animal, into which Toyotama-hime turns while giving birth to Jimmu’s father after (\*) her father sent another of them to escort her and her husband to land. Faiyum was a major cult center of a god with the head of this animal, and, in another Japanese myth, these animals flayed the Hare of Inaba after the hare tricked them into forming a bridge for it. In Aztec myth, one of these animals called Cipactli ate Tezcatlipoca’s foot. For 10 points, name this animal, the head of which Egyptians gave to Ammit and Sobek.**  
ANSWER: crocodiles [also accept sharks given translational ambiguity inherent in the term “wani”; also accept alligators even though that’s technically wrong] <JG>
10. **This country’s capital contains one major road called Chuy [CHEWY] that leads into Ala Too Square. This country is home to the largest walnut grove in the world at Arslanbob, and this country is also home to the tenth largest lake in the world, Yssyk Kol, which hosted the most recent nomad games. The rioting in this country’s city of (\*) Osh led to the arrest of Azimjon Askarov in 2010, and in 2005, protestors stormed this country’s White House in an event known as the Tulip Revolution. This country’s Talas River was the site of a defeat of the Tang empire by the Abbasids, and this country’s capital is served by Manas Airport, which is named after this country’s National epic. In this country’s South there are five exclaves of neighbouring Uzbekistan, which has led to a number of acts of ethnic violence. For 10 points, name this Central Asian republic with its capital at Bishkek.**  
ANSWER: Kyrgyzstan (accept Kyrgyzia) <TH>
11. **Gregoire uses his conversations with the dead criminal Angoualima to gain the confidence to kill his girlfriend Germaine in one novel by this author. In another a spirit animal muses with a baobab tree about why he didn’t die with his violent master Kibandi. This writer linked his own experience as an African teaching at UCLA to that of his subject in an open letter to James (\*) Baldwin written 20 years after his death, *Letter to Jimmy*. This author’s absurdism lent him the nickname “African Samuel Beckett”. Many of this author’s novels are based on his experiences growing up in the city of Pointe-Noire. For 10 points name this Congolese born French writer of *Black Moses* and *African Psycho*.**  
ANSWER: Alain Mabanckou <DJ> <Ed. JM>
12. **In a painting by this artist, a massive orange-haired woman stands before a background filled with boats and whales while black birds fly around her. This artist of *The Giantess (The Guardian of the Egg)* suffered a mental breakdown in Spain after leaving France due to her lover’s second arrest, which she wrote about in the novel *Down Below*. A man wearing a red coat with a mermaid tail stands in front of a white horse in one work by this artist, which is set in a frozen landscape and is a portrait of (\*) Max Ernst. A white horse can be seen running in a forest through a window in a work alternately titled *Inn of the Dawn Horse*, a self-portrait by this artist.. In that self-portrait, this artist sits on a blue chair and reaches towards a hyena. For ten points, name this British-born Mexican surrealist artist.**  
ANSWER: Leonora Carrington <ES>
13. **One indigenous people in this modern country castrated randomly selected youth to control their population and practiced a form of ritualized combat in which they could hit their opponents with long poles, but drawing blood was banned. The last full-blooded member of that group, Tommy Solomon, died in 1933. This modern country was discovered by a man hunting for a very large octopus, Kupe, most likely in the (\*) 13th century. One of this country’s islands is named for the *pounamu* greenstone found on it, and a genocide of the Moriori people occurred in the 1830s in this**

country's Chatham Islands. Groups such as the Whakatane landed in this country's Bay of Plenty and established tribes called *iwi*. For ten points, name this country that translates as "land of the long white cloud" in its indigenous Maori Language.

ANSWER: Aotearoa (accept New Zealand) <JM>

14. **After the overthrow of one politician with this surname, his replacement was impeached for appearing on a TV cooking program, thus violating a constitutional prohibition on having two jobs. One politician of this name was called a "big ogre" in a riot-causing sermon by Luang Ta Maha Bua. One politician with this surname referred to himself as "The CEO Prime Minister", founded the mobile phone company ShinCorp, and acquired Montenegrin citizenship in 2010. One politician of this surname was overthrown after facing corruption charges over a collapsed rice (\*) subsidy scheme. Groups of "Red Shirts" concentrated in the Isaan region support the Pheu Thai party, primarily a vehicle for politicians of this surname. For ten points, name this surname shared by Thaksin and Yingluck, a pair of siblings who both served as Prime Minister of Thailand and were both overthrown by military coups.**

ANSWER: Shinawatra <JM>

15. **The "ensemble" named for this country's most influential musical family centers on the duct flute, accordion, and *buzuq*. In a music video, members of a band from this country sequentially get into a car driven on the back of a pick-up truck after destroying symbols of marriage like the title "Fasāṭīn" [feh-SEH-teen] or "Dresses." The openly gay Ḥāmed Sinno fronts that band from this country, whose deliberately ambiguous name could be read as "Overnight Plan," referencing midnight jam sessions in which it formed. Musicians from this country include Wadī' al-Ṣāfi, Lydia Cnaan, and Nancy 'Ajram. (\*) The music of this home of the electronic duo Soap Kills and Mashrou' Leila [mesh-ROO-uh LAY-luh] is dominated by the Raḥbānī family's partnership with the singer of "Ḥabbaytak fī al-Ṣayf," [hub-BAY-tek fīss-SYFE], the legendary Fairouz. For 10 points, name this country, whose funeral music includes Druze and Maronite chants.**

ANSWER: Lebanon [or Lubnān] <JG>

16. **One of this author's novels ends with the protagonist declaring that he is "inside you, but not in a weird way" as he dies. That protagonist delivers DVDs and sells expired canned goods before settling on his business of choice. Another of this author's protagonists is mentored in a consulting job at Underwood Samson by Jim and asks a woman he met on a trip to (\*) Greece to pretend he is her dead ex-boyfriend during sex. As well as writing about a bottled water magnate in *How to Get Filthy Rich in Rising Asia*, this author wrote a novel about a man who is possibly assassinated by a CIA agent after growing a beard and moving back home following 9/11. For 10 points, name this Pakistani author of *The Reluctant Fundamentalist*.**

ANSWER: Mohsin Hamid <JM>

17. **It's not Gabon, but a five-foot-tall former president of this country remarked "power is sweet" upon winning its first democratic election. One opposition leader in this country is under arrest for treason due to an incident in which he failed to stop for the presidential motorcade. The sudden death of one of this country's leaders led to the accession of Sub-Saharan Africa's first (\*) white head of state since apartheid, Guy Scott. His caretaker government held power after the death of Michael Sata. The privatization of this country's copper mines in the early 2000s was bungled by the government of Frederick Chiluba, who was acquitted of corruption charges in 2009. For ten points, name this country where Edgar Lungu won an election by less than one percentage point over Hakainde Hichilema to take power in Lusaka.**

ANSWER: Zambia <JM>

18. **Adolfo Lisboa names this city's market which was constructed as a small-scale replica of Paris' *Les Halles*. This city is connected to the city of Iranduba by the only bridge crossing the river on which it lies. This city, which was declared a duty-free zone in 1967 was home to the Vivaldao stadium before it was knocked down and replaced with a supposedly environmentally friendly replacement which hosted England's (\*) opening game in the 2014 FIFA World Cup. An opera house was built in this city as part of a process of extravagant spending by rubber barons and served as a location for the filming of Werner Herzog's *Fitzcarraldo*. Situated near the confluence of the Negro and Solimoes rivers, for 10 points, name this largest city in the Amazon rainforest**

ANSWER: Manaus <DJ>

19. **An invasion of this polity was triggered after they directed an invasion of settlements on the Chosva River by Begbeli Agtai. He wasn't Frederick Barbarossa, but the leader of that invasion drowned after being unable to get up due to his armor's weight while fleeing an ambush. The last ruler of this polity took power by deposing Yediger and Bek-Bulat. This polity's capital of Kashlyk was later known as Isker, and it was founded by Abu-l-Khair. This polity's ruling family was the (\*) Uzbek Shaybanid Dynasty, which produced its last leader, Quchum. This polity's namesake capital was conquered by an expedition sponsored by the Stroganoff family after the Battle of Chuvash Cape. That expedition was led by Yermak Timofeyevich. For ten points, name this khanate that controlled the Western portion of its namesake Asiatic region of Russia.**

ANSWER: Sibir Khanate (prompt on Uzbek) <JM>

20. **The second volume of this work argued that "To an individual, the family is more important than the state" arguing that workers should be "partners, not wage earners" advocating an equal distribution of national resource wealth because "the house belongs to [those] who live in it." This book spread popular slogans like "committees everywhere to ensure that "democracy is the supervision of the people by the people." This book's first volume was promulgated after the failed coup of Revolutionary Command Council member Umar (\*) el-Muhayshi in 1975 and reiterated ideas from the Zuwara speech. This book advocated the creation of a state based on consultation rather than representation, a Jamahriyya. This work argues ironically that "imposing specific teaching materials is a dictatorial act" and was displaced on school curricula following a 2011 revolution. For 10 points name this political primer of Muamar Gaddafi.**

ANSWER: The Green Book <DJ>

21. **In one film by this director, a shot of a hotel room from above swivels 180 degrees as Haruko is assaulted by three American sailors. That film by this director ends with Kinta being shot after he lets a large number of pigs loose from a truck. Another film by this director starts as a documentary about the missing man Oshima, but ends with a twenty minute argument between Hayakawa and a geisha in which it is revealed to have all taken place on a soundstage. One Palme d'Or winning film by this director of *A Man Vanishes* follows a man released from prison becoming a barber and befriending the title animal, while another Palme d'Or winning film by this director sees the aging Orin help her son lose his virginity, before going to the mountaintop to die at age 70. For 10 points, name this director of the Japanese New Wave, known for *The Eel* and *The Ballad of Narayama*.**

ANSWER: Shohei Imamura [The first film is *Pigs and Battleships*] <TH>

22. **A group of people in this work name a dog they find Ditto because it is just like them. The narrator reimagines Buñuel's *The Exterminating Angel* and tells the story to his companions but apologizes to Buñuel for changing the setting. The narrator repeatedly fantasizes about touching the black stone and promises several people they will go to Mecca before they die. These deaths in this novel provide a relief because they can hear the Ustad's voice and go (\*) outside. The narrator's father is mocked as a pimp who spent too much on djellabas and he wonders whether his involvement in a failed coup was an attempt to kill his father or King Hasan II. For 10 points name this novel by Tahar Ben Jalloun in which the narrator experiences the title darkness while trapped for 20 years in a Moroccan Prison.**

ANSWER: *This Blinding Absence of Light* <DJ>

23. **One politician from this modern day province resigned as Chief Minister in 1963 encouraging other senior politicians returning to organizational work in what was named the “Kamraj plan.” In 2014, a Chief Minister of this state became the first holder of such a role in India to be disqualified, 17 years after a disproportionate assets case had begun which found 800kg of silver and 10,500 saris at her residence. That politician had led the (\*)AIADMK founded by MGR, who she had starred opposite in the film *Kaavalkaran*, one product of this province’s politically powerful film industry. In 2013, this state’s Chief Minister Jayalalithaa, who added another “a” to her name for numerological reasons, banned teams in the Indian Premier League from fielding Sri Lankan players in games in this province. For 10 points name this state where recent politics has been dominated by Dravidian parties**

ANSWER: Tamil Nadu

24. **A thinker from this country argued that a “will to architecture” underpins Western philosophical systems and created a mutual rereading of *Critique of Pure Reason* and *Das Kapital* in *Transcritique*. The *Overcoming Modernity* conference came to symbolize wartime thought in this country. A thinker from here described his philosophical project as “overcoming nihilism through nihilism,” and a work from this country held that humans’ dual nature as both individual and social beings requires rooting ethics in “betweenness.” A thinker from (\*) this country centered philosophy on “absolute nothingness” by drawing on the idea of *śūnyatā* and created a school of thought that combined Western existentialism with Zen Buddhist thought. For 10 points, name this home country of Kojin Karatani, Tetsuro Watsuji, and Kitaro Nishida, the founder of the Kyoto School.**

ANSWER: Japan [accept Nippon and such; “overcoming nihilism through nihilism” is Keiji Nishitani’s description of his *Religion and Nothingness*] <JG>