

## WORLDSTAR Round 8

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1 A novel that begins at one of these locations ends with a proto-science fiction plot in which Kamil deduces Muhammad's history without the aid of scripture and predicts the signs of the Day of Judgment. Ibn-al-Nafis wrote a novel set at one of these places in response to an earlier text, Ibn Tufail's *Hayy ibn Yaqdan*, which is frequently claimed to be the first Arabic novel and is also set at one of these places. Books with titles translated as "The Self-Taught Philosopher" and "The Self-Taught Theologian" are primarily set at these places, and are about (\*) autodidactic feral children spontaneously generated in caves who live in these places in seclusion. For 10 points, identify these stereotypically isolated places, whose appearances in Arabic novels helped inspire one of the first English novels by Daniel Defoe.

ANSWER: desert islands [prompt on "caves" until "caves"] <MC>

2. The National Geographic photographer Wes Skiles died on assignment in one of these locations. Skeletons of the Lucayan tribe are frequently found in these locations, including at Sawmill Sink and Stargate, which contains a 2500-foot-long tunnel called the South Passage. These locations are the primary habitat of the lucifuga fish as well as aquatic varieties of eyeless *Agostocaris* shrimp. Famous examples of these locations include Dan's (\*) Cave and The Chimney, and these locations are clustered around the islands of Andros and Great Abaco. These locations are given their characteristic color by sulfite-fixing bacteria that live in their anoxic environments. For ten points, name these underwater caves frequently found off the coast of the Bahamas and Belize, named for their azure color.

ANSWER: blue holes <JM>

3. In Ethiopia, Jews and manual laborers like ironworkers are believed to possess this power, called buda. In the Grenadines, preventative measures against this phenomenon may include visit an Obeah-man for a spiritual bath. People in Mediterranean cultures prevent this phenomenon by spitting three times. According to Alan Dundes' essay on this phenomenon, *Wet and Dry*, Sephardic Jews believe that (\*) fish are immune to this phenomenon because they are underwater. Responding to a compliment with "inshallah" or "mashallah" can protect from this phenomenon. In the Middle East, hamsa are hand-shaped amulets that ward off this phenomenon, as are blue beads and glass charms called nazar. For 10 points, name this cross-cultural phenomenon in which an envious look causes misfortune or casts a curse.

ANSWER: evil eye [prompt on "envy" or reasonable equivalents, accept buda before mention, accept mal de ojo, maljeau, matia] <AD>

4. This island is home to the extremely long-acronymed administrative region of SOCCSKSARGEN. This island's rainforests were the home of the Tasaday people, a stone-age tribe invented by businessman Manuel Elizalde as a hoax to boost tourism. This island's city of (\*) Marawi was put under an Islamic State siege in 2016. This island's Zamboanga Peninsula was once part of a sultanate centered on Palawan, and this island's second-largest city of Cagayan de Oro is a port on the Bohol Sea. Before becoming President, Rodrigo Duterte was the mayor of this island's largest city, Davao, where he cracked down on militancy among its Moro Muslim population. For ten points, name this Southernmost major island of the Philippines.

ANSWER: Mindanao <JM>

5. Several myths about this artist are attributable to a biography by Rodrigo Bretas, and this man's best known work is accompanied by a wood carving of the passion of the Christ. This artist's most famous building was funded by the discovery of diamonds in a city then known as Vila Rica. After his fingers fell off,

**this artist legendarily tied chisels to his hands to continue working. This man's magnum opus was carved in soapstone for the sanctuary of Bom Jesus in the city of Ouro (\*) Preto.** That magnum opus depicts the Twelve Old Testament Prophets. For ten points, name this mixed-race Brazilian baroque sculptor known as "the little cripple".

ANSWER: Aleijadinho (accept Antonio Francisco Lisboa) <JM>

**6. This ruler defeated a conspiracy led by Xiao Shufei and was restored to palace life after a brief spell at Ganye Temple, and on another instance had enemies drowned in wine. It's not Kangxi, but this ruler added 30 now-eponymous characters to the Chinese script. After this supervisor of the Longmen Grottoes' construction took power, rumors spread that (\*) hens were turning into roosters in the countryside.** This ruler was demonized by poets such as Luo Binwang and historians such as Song Qi, the editor of the *New History of Tang*. This ruler established the short-lived Zhou dynasty during the last 21 years of her rule and served as a concubine to one of her predecessors, Gaozong, before taking power. For ten points, name this only formally ruling empress in Chinese history, the Tang dynasty successor of Emperor Ruizong.

ANSWER: Wu Zetian (accept Wu Zhao, Wu Hou)<JM>

**7. Kubu Island, an area known for its giant Baobab trees, is located in the middle of one of these areas. That one of these areas is located between the cities of Maun and Francistown, and another of these areas in Namibia was the site of a massive flamingo mating event in 1971, vocal links from which mean that it is still a large flamingo mating site today. Another of these areas contains the world's largest lithium reserves, whose extraction is being used to fund the social programs of Evo (\*) Morales.** These areas in the Arab world are known as Sebkhass. Etosha National Park and Mak-ga-dik-ga-di National Park are both centered around these areas. These areas are frequently formed by evaporating lakes, which leave behind their mineral content. For ten points, name these areas that include the Salar de Uyuni in Bolivia.

ANSWER: salt flats (accept Salt pans) <JM>

**8. In a 17 minute scene, a person of this profession angers her son when she tells him she lied to a court in order to get a divorce. Two old women tell a person of this profession that they wish to take their goldfish to a holy spring in another film. A man pretending to have this profession interviews a human rights lawyer who is going to meet a prisoner on a hunger strike. In Paris, two African diplomats mock an Ivorian man of this profession, who later falls in love with a blind woman. A film centered around a woman of this profession is composed of long, static shots; that film is composed of (\*) ten vignettes.** Jim Jarmusch's *Night on Earth* focuses on five people across the world with this profession. It isn't a director, but Jafar Panahi pretended to have this job in a 2015 film shot in Tehran. For ten points, name this profession of the lead woman in Abbas Kiarostami's *Ten*.

ANSWER: Taxi driver (accept equivalents, prompt on partial answer) <ES>

**9. In a conversation with US diplomat Herman Cohen, this man described Thomas Sankara as a "young guy" who "will mature" shortly before Sankara's assassination. This man sent troops to the Liberian Civil War after his son-in-law, Albert Tolbert, was killed by Samuel Doe, and this man served as president of the African Democracy Rally bloc in the French parliament. A crisis in the (\*) Cacao industry led this leader to seek IMF assistance in 1992, and this leader's death led to a rivalry between Henri Konan Bedie and Laurent Gbagbo.** The very large basilica of Our Lady of Peace was constructed in, and the capital of this man's country was moved to, the small town of Yamoussoukro during his rule. "Le Vieux" was a common nickname for, for ten points, what longtime post-independence leader of Cote d'Ivoire?

ANSWER: Felix Houphouet-Boigny (accept Papa Houphouet) <JM>

**10. It's not a barrel drum, but one type of Korean Buddhist chant, hwach'ong, is a solo song in 10/8 ("ten eight") meter accompanied by this instrument. In Maguindanao, ensembles of these instruments in a single row that play improvisatory music over different rhythmic modes are called kulintang. Demarcating cycles in**

**colotomic phrase structures, such as wayang, on different sizes of this (\*)** percussion instrument is also known as gendhing. Bossed, pot varieties of this instrument common in Southeast Asia are known as its “chime” version. The spirit of a certain type of ensemble is said to live in the large *ageng* one of these instruments; striking that instrument begins and ends phrases in Balinese gamelan music. For 10 points, name this percussion instrument that is often suspended vertically and hit with a mallet.

ANSWER: **gong** <AD>

**11. Sergei Eisenstein published an essay titled “Prometheus of [this country’s] Painting,” in which he compared his films to a painting style from this nation. A landscape artist from this country frequently used wax crayon in his works, which he deemed his namesake “color.” Prior to moving to Hawaii, the French artist Jean Charlot worked in the nation. A man signs a paper that says “LIBERTY” in a painting that depicts the end of slavery in this country. Doctor Atl taught multiple artists from this country, including one who depicted naked men with distorted faces carrying a black body with a cracked skull in *Cain in the United States*. A series from this country contains a section depicting enslaved pregnant workers, located at the South entrance of a (\*) dodecagonal building in this country’s capital called the “Polyforum.” That work for this country is the world’s largest mural, *The March of Humanity*. For ten points, name this country home to Jose Clemente Orozco and David Siqueiros.**

ANSWER: **Mexico** <ES>

**12. One former holder of this position recently divorced his wife, Veronica Tan, while in prison for blasphemy. That holder of this position was the target of a campaign by the Defenders of Islam after he made a disparaging reference to a Quranic verse often cited to discourage voting for non-Muslim candidates. That loser of a re-election campaign for this position to Anies Baswedan, this position’s current holder, was a Chinese Christian popularly known as (\*) Ahok. Another holder of this position, after serving as mayor of the small city of Solo, ran for president of his country only after receiving the approval of Megawati Sukarnoputri. That holder of this position would win that election over Prabowo Subianto. For ten points, name this position held by Joko Widodo before his election as president of Indonesia, which holds authority over the province constituting its largest metropolitan area.**

ANSWER: **Governor** of **Jakarta** (do not accept **Mayor of Jakarta**) <JM>

**13. A leader of this party won an election advocating the “marching revolution”; that leader Alfonso Lopez Pumarjo also aided the rise of power of Alberto Lleras Camargo who led this party into an alliance known as the “National Front” with a traditional rival in opposition to dictatorial rule. A member of an opposition party, Andres Pastrana, passed the police tapes which led to the conviction of this party’s Defence Minister Fernando Botero as part of Process 8,000. The Cuban government supported the theory that a leader of this party was (\*) assassinated by Juan Roa Sierra as part of Operation Pantomime organized by the CIA. That assassination prompted the Bogatazo at the start of the period of La Violencia. For 10 points, identify this party of Ernesto Samper, Cesar Gaviria and Jorge Gaitan which was formed to oppose the Colombian Conservative Party.**

ANSWER: **Liberal Party of Colombia** <DJ>

**14. This leader was responsible for massacring striking oil workers in Zhanaozen in 2011. One landmark built by this leader contains a cast of his handprint in gold that visitors can compare their own hands to. An excess of apostrophes in the initially chosen scheme led this leader to bow to public pressure and choose a different one for his country’s changeover from the (\*) Cyrillic to the Latin alphabet. This leader was the third member of a customs union headquartered in Minsk after Alexander Lukashenko and Vladimir Putin. Early in his rule, this leader constructed the Bayterek Tower in a city that was known as Aqmola before it became his country’s capital. For ten points, name this leader who moved his country’s capital to Astana, the only post-independence leader of Kazakhstan.**

ANSWER: Nursultan **Nazarbaev** <JM>

15. **One of this author's works repeats lines that end sections such as "I know the feeling now, know for myself", "You must have walked the refreshing path", and "The ten shrines, cloudless". This author wrote *The Book of the Golden Island* while in exile on the island of Sado. This author proposed the concept of *yugen* as the (\*) core of his art, as expressed in works such as *Atsumori* and *Tadanori* about casualties of the Genpei War. This author wrote treatises including *The Transmission of the Flower through Mastery of the Forms* and *The Book of the Transmission of the Flower* in which he described techniques such as the use of *kyogen* farces and masks. For ten points, name this 15th century master of Noh drama.**

ANSWER: Zeami (accept Kanze Motokiyo) <JM>

16. **This city was the target of a failed 1148 attack by the Norman admiral George of Antioch. One ruler of this city allowed the Dominican order to establish their Studium Arabicum mission school here before proclaiming it a caliphate, and this city gained prominence after the Banu Hilal tribe destroyed the city of (\*) Kairouan in 1057. This city grew in prominence after neighboring Mahdia was used as a regional capital by the Norman kings of Sicily. One crusade against this city was bribed to leave by its Hafsid Dynasty ruler, Al-Mutansir, after an outbreak of dysentery in its camp killed King Louis IX of France. For ten points, name this city targeted by the Eighth Crusade, whose modern incarnation has suburbs including Carthage.**

ANSWER: Tunis (prompt on Carthage)<JM>

17. **In one novel from this country, Padlock is gored by a bull and Serenity is eaten by a crocodile, leaving their son, Mugezi, an orphan. In one epic from this country, one woman accuses another of aborting her babies and throwing them in a pit latrine and says her face is "sickly pale" and compares her breasts to "bits of cow-hide". That woman, Clementine, is accused throughout of trying to ape white women. One long poem from this country consists of two parts: a woman's lament about her husband taking a (\*) westernized wife and her husband's response. The epic poem *Song of Lawino* was written by Okot P'Bitek in this country's Acholi language. For ten points, name this country in which characters in Moses Isegawa's *Abyssinian Chronicles* become disillusioned with the regime of Idi Amin.**

ANSWER: Uganda <JM>

18. **According to this kingdom's founding legend, it was ruled by a woman named Liu-ye before a fisherman from the south with a magic bow defeated her in battle. One major source for that story is the Chinese envoy Kang Tai. This kingdom's main successor state was divided into "land" and "water" kingdoms after the 8th century, and its capital is referred to as Cottigara in Ptolemy's Geography. Hinduism may have reached this kingdom through the Indian usurper Kaundinya, and this kingdom reached its greatest extent under Fan (\*) Shiman. This kingdom ended when it was conquered by its former vassal, Chenla after a shift of trade routes away from the Isthmus of Kra impoverished its capital of Oc-Eo. For ten points, name this ancient Southeast Asian kingdom known by a name given it in Chinese sources.**

ANSWER: Funan <JM>

19. **One poet from this state repeated the refrain "we are in the middle of the ocean" in his poem *The Slave Ship* from his collection *The Slaves*. A biography of that "Condor poet" by another writer from this state was titled *The ABC of Castro Alves*. This state is home to Antonio Balduino who is kicked out of the house of a white family after being accused of harming Lindinalva and later reignites his friendship with the non-Christian priest Jubiaba. Euclides da Cunha's memoir *Rebellion in the Backlands* forms the basis for a Mario Vargas (\*) Llosa novel set in this state, *The War at the End of the World*. The protagonist of another book set in this state uses her cooking school to support her husband Vadinho until his death dancing the samba, one year before their romance is reignited. For 10 points, name this Brazilian state whose capital of Salvador is the setting of many of Jorge Amado's books, the heartland of Afro-Brazilian culture.**

ANSWER: Bahia <DJ>

20. This philosophy teaches that the suryong is the “impeccable brain of the living body.” Adherents to this philosophy celebrate an annual holiday on “the Day of the Sun,” April 15<sup>th</sup>. A fiber sometimes nicknamed for this philosophy, vinylon, is made using anthracite and limestone local to this ideology’s birthplace. This term was coined by the Independence Club to contrast with *sadae*, or collaboration. The calendar promoted by this ideology starts its years in (\*) 1912. Originally modeled on Marxism-Leninism, the creator of this ideology later outlined its three fundamental principles of political independence, economic self-sustenance, and independence in national defense. In this ideology’s native country, the preamble to the Workers’ Party Charter says the party is guided only by the revolutionary thoughts and this ideology developed by Kim Il-Sung. Sometimes translated as “self-reliance,” for 10 points, name this state ideology of North Korea.

ANSWER: Juche [prompt on “self-reliance” before mention, prompt on “Kimilsungism” before “Kim-Il Sung”] <AD>

21. This thinker repeatedly emphasizes that without one key idea in his thought, another would have “nothing to inhere to.” Lu Jiuyuan was a contemporary critic of this thinker, who controversially drew on Zhou Dunyi’s *Taijituishuo* to open a work co-written with Lu Zuqian, *Reflections on Things at Hand*. This thinker’s school of thought is often co-named for the earlier Cheng brothers, and (\*) the later Wang Yangming’s thought became the main alternative to this thinker’s. This thinker revolutionized Chinese metaphysics by proposing a potential like the relation of a seed to a tree called *li* or “rational principle” that inheres to “material force” or *qi* to order the universe. In humans, that *li* is Confucian morality. For 10 points, name this scholar of the Southern Song dynasty, the primary architect of the “Neo-Confucianism” that dominated thought in China and Korea until the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

ANSWER: Zhu Xi [also accept the courtesy names Yuanhui or Zhonghui or his alias Hui’an] <JG>

22. A work originally in this language ends with the title character scolding his nephew so hard that the nephew literally explodes, and that title character outwits a Pharaoh by teaching two small boys to ride eagles in *The Story of Ahikar*. One of this language’s earliest literary writers used the existence of differing customs to refute the notion of fate in *The Book of the Laws of Countries*. A popular literary form in this language of Bardaisan was a verse homily called a *memra*, many of which were written by Narsai. St. (\*) Ephrem was known as the “harp of the Holy Spirit” for his work in this language, and the *Diatesseron* is a gospel harmony in this language by Tatian. The standard translation of the Bible into this language is the *Peshitta*. For 10 points, name this language, still used as the liturgical language of the Malankara, Chaldean Catholic, and Assyrian Christian churches.

ANSWER: Syriac Aramaic [accept either underlined portion] <JG>

23. Two brothers famous for performing this instrument collaborated with Monkey Majik on a song which contains the lyrics ‘Brothers on top pressing all the melodies, never can stop cos it’s a necessity’. Another performer of this instrument collaborated with Canadian dark jazz performer John Zorn for the album *Ganryu Island* and Japanese noise music legend Keiji Haino on the album *Tayutayuto*. Though the (\*) tablature method for this instrument can vary by genre, in general practice Arabic numerals are only used for the third string. This hosozau, or thin necked version of this instrument is favoured in nagauta, and performers will use a medium sized bachi to play this instrument in its popular ‘tsugaru’ style. With standard tuning of DGD, for 10 points, name this three stringed Japanese instrument, sometimes likened to a banjo.

ANSWER: shamisen (accept samisen, accept sangen) <TH>

24. The study of this culture was pioneered by the archaeologist Rafael Larco Hoyle. A large mural complex from this culture was discovered in 2013 at Panamarca, including several depictions of one of this civilization’s heroes, Ai-Apaec. A priestess-queen’s tomb discovered at a site translating as “Temple of the Moon” caused a reimagining of this civilization’s history. The Lord of (\*) Sipan, famed for his massive quantity of grave goods, came from this culture, and Huaca del Sol and Huaca de la Luna were this civilization’s largest

centers. This civilization is known for its pottery depicting figures engaged in several varieties of non-procreative sex. For ten points, name this Peruvian civilization prominent before the rise of the Inca, rivals of the neighboring Chimu civilization.

ANSWER: **Moche** <JM>