

META (Monstrosity of Ethnographic and Theological Academia)

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Round 3

1. *Description acceptable.* A woman tells the speaker of one of these poems “Don't weep. Don't purse your swollen lips.” after he tries to avoid her before seeing himself “paying a servant's homage due,/Eternally devoted”. In addition to that poem, “The Accounting”, the title character recalls how “I made my home upon the streets” before begging for Jesus’ mercy in the first of two of these poems titled after her, Mary Magdalene. The speaker of the first of these poems notes “This life is not a stroll across the meadow.” while making numerous comparisons between his scripted fate and that of Jesus during the crucifixion. In another of these poems, the speaker travels “Toward a distant Urals farmstead” (*) in reference to its author being forced to join the Forest Brotherhood. According to the book in which they appear, Misha Gordon and Nika Dudorov are said to have published these 25 poems following the death of their author. “Hamlet” is first of, for 10 points, what poems written by the title character of a Boris Pasternak novel?

ANSWER: **poems** from the epilogue of the novel *Doctor Zhivago* [accept an answer replacing “epilogue” with “Part 17”; accept any answer stating that the poems were written by Doctor Zhivago or by Pasternak, as long as they explain that they were included in the novel *Doctor Zhivago*] <Short Fiction> <NH>

2. A stone art museum known as *The Chapel of Man* was created by an artist from this country. A painting of this country titled for one of its mountains depicts a man rowing a boat next to a straw hut. While referring to a painting set in this country, Mark Twain stated that “You may find relief, but you cannot banish the picture.” Smoke covers a sunset on the right-hand side of a painting set in this country. People were asked to bring (*) opera glasses to view a painting of this country that was exhibited at the Tenth Street Studio. Friedrich Georg Weitsch set a painting in this country that depicts a man handing a sextant while Aime Bonpland sits under a tent. A painting set in this country depicts two men staring at a cross next to a small waterfall in front of the title mountain range. For 10 points, name this country which is the setting of Frederic Edwin Church’s paintings of Cotopaxi and Chimborazo.

ANSWER: **Ecuador** [the unmentioned artist is Oswaldo Guayasamin] <World Art> <HP>

3. In the article “His Sympathies Were in the Right Place,” Pericles Lewis uses the statement that “all Europe contributed to the making of [this character]” in order to view him as a symbol of English idealism. A man and his uncle discuss how “a pestilential fellow” should be hanged for intruding on this character’s territory. Edward Said notes how the protagonist of the *Season of Migration to the North* “does (and is) the reverse of what [this character] does (and is).” This character’s (*) wife-to-be makes an “exulting and terrible cry” after hearing that this character’s last words was her name. In the opening lines of T.S. Eliot’s *Hollow Men*, this character is proclaimed dead. In a report to the International Society for the Suppression of Savage Customs, this character writes in the footnotes to “Exterminate the Brutes!” For 10 points, name this legendary ivory trader who Charles Marlow seeks out in *Heart of Darkness*.

ANSWER: **Kurtz** <Extra/Other Literature> <HP>

4. **Historian John Dower argues that changes made during the translation of this document led to the undermining of key democratic principles. In 2014, the Nobel Peace Prize committee accepted a petition of 800,000 signatures drafted by a housewife to nominate this document for the prize. In a 2013 memoir, Frank Kowalski described how he helped subvert provisions of this document by helping to establish the National Police Reserve. Plans to amend this document include making the (*) *Kimigayo* the national anthem and to legitimize the Self-Defense Forces. The controversial article 9 of this document contains its country's renouncement of "the use of force as means of settling international dispute."** For 10 points, name this document which was created under Douglas MacArthur's rule for a country that was defeated in World War II.

ANSWER: **Japanese Constitution** of 1947 <Historiography> <HP>

5. **Philip the Fair sent Gobert de Belleville to accompany Rabban Bar Sauma, an ambassador from this country, on his tour of Europe. The Figurist movement sought to connect one of this country's mythical leaders with Zoroaster and Hermes Trismegistus. Illustrations of flora and fauna by Michael Boym were used to create an encyclopedia about this country by Athanasius Kircher. A travelogue about this country was first published in Latin by (*) Nicolas Trigault. A person working in this country wrote the *True Meaning of the Lord of Heaven* to outline his policy of accommodation during this country's namesake "Rites Controversy." That missionary who worked in this country was also commissioned by one of its emperors to create the *Impossible Black Tulip of Cartography*.** For 10 points, name this country where the Jesuit missionary Matteo Ricci was active during the Ming Dynasty.

ANSWER: **China** <World History> <HP>

6. **Benjamin Sammons examines the "double view" between texts in this form as well as *exempla* they present to describe historical patterns in a book titled for *The Art and Rhetoric* of works of this type by one author. Two of these texts are said to be "heirlooms of the Mycenaean past" in a book by Denys Page rejecting any Ionian influence on them. A work of this type describes the birth of Helen from Pyrrha and Zeus as well as the birth of the (*) Aeolids in the section "First Families". Protesilaus and Philoctetes are both notably absent in a work of this type, as is Achilles who was forced to give up Briseis earlier in the poem that work appears in. 1186 of the namesake units are accounted for in a text in, for 10 points, what form, including one named for women by Hesiod and one named for ships in the *Iliad*?**

ANSWER: **catalogues** [accept **Homeric catalogues** or **catalogues by Homer**] <Literary Criticism/Theory> <NH>

7. **El Anatsui used the name of this technique to title his conceptual sculpture of three wooden boats standing upright. The seated Tada figure was created using this technique. In one form of this technique, a layer of clay called the "investment" surrounds a network of "sprues." Leo Frobenius believed that a set of objects made using this technique were remnants of Atlantis. Isaiah Anozie discovered an ornate bowl made using this technique near the city of (*) Igbo-Ukwu. The heads found at Ile-Ife were created using this technique, as were the Benin bronzes. Since it has a low melting point, latex may be used in place of the central material of this technique. In this technique, molten metal is poured around a mold of the namesake material, which is then melted out of the cast. For 10 points, name this casting technique based on a material made by bees.**

ANSWER: **lost-wax** technique [or **cire perdue**; accept **direct lost-wax** technique or **indirect lost-wax** technique] <Art Criticism/Theory/Misc.> <JF>

8. This character lends his copy of the novel *The Smart Bunny* to Milo Maritimo in a novel which depicts the death of his mother in a boating accident. In that novel, this character uses an El Greco painting to convince Fred Barry that he can meet his favorite author at a festival. This character suggests that opera singers could conserve oxygen if they stopped singing in another novel in which he trades clothes with a firefighter after calling him the “salt of the earth”. In that novel, 57 children inherit money from this character who is entrusted with \$87,000,000 in a non-profit foundation, which (*) Norman Mushari tries to steal. In a more famous novel, this character shoots a 14 year old soldier before being sent to a psychiatric hospital where he meets the protagonist of that novel. It’s not Dr. Kevorkian, but *Pearls Before Swine* subtitled a novel entitled *God Bless You*, [this character]. For 10 points, identify this recurring character who is obsessed with the writer Kilgore Trout, created by Kurt Vonnegut.

ANSWER: Eliot Rosewater [accept either underlined part] <Long Fiction> <NH>

9. During a 1920 plebiscite in this region, one faction called for its borders to be demarcated by the Clausen Line. Nationalists in a country that disputed this region called for its separation along the Eider River. Due to succession claims made in this region by Frederick of Augustenburg, a king was forced to sign the November Constitution, legally incorporating this region into his country. This region was annexed following George Gerlach’s loss at the Battle of (*) Dybbol. John Russell attempted to solve a dispute involving this region by convening the London Conference of 1864, whose annexation violated the earlier London Protocol of 1852. Lord Palmerston famously said that there were only three people who understand the problem of this region. The Gastein Convention set up a dual rule in this region; violation of the convention led to the Seven Weeks’ War. For 10 points, name this northernmost state of Germany which was conquered by Otto von Bismarck from Denmark.

ANSWER: Schleswig-Holstein <European History> <HP>

10. *Description Acceptable.* The speaker of a poem explains how “[This person’s] time—and mine accelerating toward Apocalypse,/the final moment” before recounting this person “eating the first poisonous tomatoes of America”. In a letter written by this person as response to a poem written by her son, she tells him “I have the key” and “the key is in the bars, in the sunlight in the window”. That line is quoted in a poem in which this person is called blessed “in tears”, “in fears”, “in sickness”, “in Hospitals” and “in Death”. In another poem by that author, one character is said to “imitate the shade of [this person]” after the speaker earlier sees this woman “finally (*) ***** [bleeped]” and “the last fantastic book flung out of the tenement window”. This woman is said to have a “Communist Party and a broken stocking” as well as a “fear of Hitler” in a poem where she is said to be “buried in the same Ground where I stand in Angel”. The poem “Kaddish” was written in commemoration of, for 10 points, what relative of the author of “Howl”?

ANSWER: Naomi Ginsberg [accept descriptions like Allen Ginsberg’s mother] <Short Fiction> <NH>

11. The speaker laments “Vain all the praise thy song could still inspire” in a poem by the activist Caroline Norton titled for “The Picture of [this person]”. The author of the essay “The Wise [this person]” wrote a poem quoting this writer beginning “I know not what to do: My mind is divided”. Lady Reason tells the protagonist about the reputation of this person as the greatest poet alive including the story of how Plato kept a book of this person’s poetry with him (*) when he died in a book by Christine de Pizan. This poet’s influence on the Imagists is seen in H.D.’s poem “Fragment 36”. A translation of this poet’s work which uses square brackets as a placeholder for undecipherable or lost words is entitled *If Not, Winter* and was completed by Anne Carson. For 10 points, identify this “Tenth Muse” whose ambiguous sexuality has been the inspiration for centuries of feminist literature.

ANSWER: Sappho <Extra/Other Literature> <NH>

12. In a response to a scathing attack by Kate Millett over the bureaucracy of the title concept, this author expressed trepidation over “technologizing” it. This author asserted that “Fascism is more of a natural state than democracy.” in a book arguing that George W. Bush sought global dominance by pursuing war in Iraq. An essay by this author condemns psychoanalysis because of its inability to handle “patients more complex, more experienced, or more adventurous than the analyst himself” after earlier asserting that one philosophy “is the sophistication of the wise primitive (*) in a giant jungle”. That essay collected in *Advertisements for Myself* blames a post-war society for causing hipsters to absorb “the existentialist synapses of the Negro”. “Why are We at War?” and “The White Negro” were written by, for 10 points, what author who wrote about the March on the Pentagon in his book *The Armies of the Night*?

ANSWER: Norman Kingsley **Mailer** <Long Fiction> <NH>

13. An intelligence agency headquartered in this city that was colloquially known as “the Rabbit” transmitted propaganda by covering an illegal powerline with undershirts. A group organized by the fictitious “Mr. Furman” was tasked with guarding convoys to this city. It’s not in China, but the Burma Road was built by Mickey Marcus to supply this city. Fortified areas in this city were derisively nicknamed “Bevingrads” after Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin. The (*) Bab al-Wad served as a strategic choke point for envoys traveling to this city. The Peel Commission was created to identify the causes of a 1936 general strike called for by Haj Amin al-Husseini, the Mufti of this city. The Irgun carried out the King David Hotel bombing in this city. For 10 points, name this city, which saw fighting in its Jewish and Arab quarters during the fight for Palestine.

ANSWER: **Jerusalem** <World History> <HP>

14. In his *Descriptions of Greece*, Pausanias describes a sanctuary in Athens named for this city which had a statue of Epimenides of Knossos, who legendarily purified Athens. A ritual in a festival primarily celebrated in this city was based on the story of men with erections offering clay models of genitals to the gods after being tricked by Dionysus. That festival, which took place around the “threshing floor”, was celebrated during the month of Poseidon, and was called *haloa*. Pausanias narrates that Erechtheus defeated this city’s troops under (*) Eumolpus, who later founded a family of priests in this city. People in this city’s Telesterion hall who revealed the aporrheta were subjected to death during a set of rituals which Triptolemus was the first to learn of. Those rituals initiated members into a cult in, for 10 points, what Greek city where they celebrated a harvest in honor of Demeter and Persephone as part of a namesake festival?

ANSWER: **Eleusis** [accept **Elefsina**] <Mythography> <NH>

15. A song memorializing a resident of this facility declares, “So proud Britannia hide your face / throughout the world you are disgraced.” Images from this facility were displayed on public television in an episode of Granada Television’s program *World in Action* titled this facility’s “fuse.” Richard Hamilton painted this facility in his diptych *The Citizen*, which depicts a man wearing a blanket standing next to a wall covered in excrement. The (*) “blanket” and “dirty” protests began in this facility after a group of detainees lost their political status. A resident of this facility was elected as an MP for Fermanagh and South Tyrone, prompting one political party to adopt their “armalite and ballot box” strategy. Detainees of this prison demanded the right not to wear a uniform in the first of their “Five Demands.” For 10 points, name this prison where Bobby Sands led other Irish Republicans in a 1981 hunger strike.

ANSWER: Her Majesty’s **Maze Prison** [or **H-Block**, **The Maze**, or **Long Kesh** Detention Center] <European History> <JF>

16. *Description Acceptable.* Residents of Pariaman celebrate this event by creating a tower decorated with paper flowers known as a *tabuik* and throwing it into the ocean. A cuboidal indentation in the Great Mosque of Damascus supposedly housed a relic of this event. After viewing the actions of this event, Zayd bin Arqam shouted “Remove your cane from these lips!” Participants recite the Ziyarat of Arbaeen during a pilgrimage honoring this event. A maxim derived from this event is used to describe the continuous struggle between good and evil until the arrival of the (*) Mahdi. People in South Asia honor this event through Ta’ziya processions, and most Muslims self-flagellate themselves to honor this event in a practice known as *tatbir*; both of these take place during Ashura. This event took place after a man refused to pledge his allegiance to the Umayyad caliph Yazid I. For 10 points, name this event which saw a son of Ali killed at the Battle of Karbala.

ANSWER: martyrdom of Husayn ibn Ali [prompt on mourning or remembrance of Muharram or Ashura by asking “What specific event is being remembered?”; accept anything involving Husayn’s death; prompt on Battle of Karbala] <Religion> <HP>

17. After this man was killed, Eleanor Roosevelt noted how much she “admired this frail and modest man who could endure hardships because he loved his job.” This man nicknames a bill that authorized a \$10 per month pay raise for infantrymen. This man gave tribute to his colleague Fred Painton by noting how he was glad that Painton didn’t have to endure the “unnatural terror of dying on the battlefield.” After a mule train arrives, this man narrates how several soldiers arrange five dead bodies in a line to honor the death of “a man who carried in him a sincerity and gentleness that made people want to be guided by him,” Henry (*) Waskow. While working for Scripps-Howard, this man was killed by friendly fire on Iejima by members of the 77th “Liberty Patch” Division. For 10 points, name this American World War II correspondent who won the 1944 Pulitzer Prize for his first-person accounts of men on the battlefield.

ANSWER: Ernest Taylor “Ernie” Pyle <American History> <HP>

18. Dana Villa traces the influence of an early form of this concept on modern political thinkers like Hannah Arendt in a book which discusses the origins of a “dissident philosophical” form of it put forth by Socrates. This concept is said to be applied to offices or the “dicast and ecclesiast” in a book which earlier discusses how it differs in oligarchies and democracies. That book considers various definitions of this concept in different city states and its application to laborers after discussing whether or not it should be (*) hereditary. The Third Definite Article of Kant’s essay “Perpetual Peace” sets hospitality as the standard requirement for the universal type of this concept. In Aristotle’s *Politics*, he suggests that this concept be extended to those who hold public office. For 10 points, identify this concept which was notably not revoked by ostracism, despite banishing someone from their polis.

ANSWER: citizenship [accept Socratic citizenship before “Socrates”] <Political/Geographic Thought> <NH>

19. A Maurice de Vlaminck work titled after one of these places depicts a blue man walking next to a pole on a yellow street. In a Renoir work, oranges appear in the hands of and at the feet of a girl in one of these locations. When comparing a work of one of these locations to its artist’s other *The Models*, Gustave Kahn called it “so willfully sad and pallid.” That painting of one of these locations at Corvi depicts a man entering with an umbrella while the central figure plays a trombone. Charles (*) Angrand can be seen in the front row of an artist’s depiction of one of these location. In that painting, a man on the right presents a woman in a yellow dress jumping off of a white horse. Picasso showed six dejected people heading for one of these locations in his *Family of Saltimbanques*. For 10 points, name these locations which Georges Seurat depicted in a painting with a red clown in the foreground.

ANSWER: circus <European Art> <HP>

20. **One side was headquartered at the Bost Building during this event. A cartoon that depicts this event shows a man unraveling a curtain with the caption “The tariff is doing its own talking.” Upon hearing of violence at this event, one side received a telegram that ordered them to “Let grass grow over works. Must not fail now.” The steamboat *Edna* signalled the arrival of one side at 4:00 A.M. during this event. A local opera house was used as an impromptu jail during this event. The leader of the (*) Amalgamated Associations, Hugh O’Donnell, led this strike. The state militia under George Snowden was organized by Governor Robert Pattinson to end this strike. Alexander Berkman attempted to assassinate Henry Clay Frick during this strike; Frick had earlier contracted Pinkerton agents to escort “scabs” during it. For 10 points, name this strike which took place at one of Andrew Carnegie’s steel factories.**

ANSWER: **Homestead** Strike <American History> <HP>