

Life is a Highway

A Dubious Trash Packet by Nick Pruitt

Tossup 1: This highway features the only section of a major interstate with traffic lights in the town of Breezewood. This highway features the last part of the interstate system to be built, a twisty section of road through Glenwood Canyon. The Eisenhower Tunnel on this road is the highest part of the Interstate Highway System. For the point, name this Interstate Highway that passes through Indianapolis and Denver on its path between Maryland and Utah.

Answer: **Interstate 70**

Bonus 1:

This State is home to the Shortest Interstate Highway in the Nation. For ten points each.

This state is home to transport links like the Fort McHenry Tunnel and the Francis Scott Key Bridge:

Answer: **Maryland**

A Maryland Interstate Highway with this name is often used to refer to DC Political Insiders and people who live within the immediate vicinity of Washington DC.

Answer: **Capital Beltway** (accept The Beltway) (accept Interstate 495)

Another Maryland Interstate Highway, Interstate 68, is commonly used for this kind of action. This action is used to avoid toll roads like the Delaware Turnpike and the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

Answer: **Shunpiking**

Tossup 2: This system of Highways' primary route is marked Route 1 in most of the subdivisions it travels through. This highway system notably has its two ends only accessible by ferry. The Confederation Bridge connects this highway system to an island named after a British Prince. For 10 points, name this highway system, home to a main branch and Yellowhead branch and the namesake of a 2006 EP by Boards of Canada.

Answer: **Trans-Canada Highway**

Bonus 2: A band with this name features album titles inspired by highways. For 10 points

Name this mode of transportation, featuring locomotives and was the predominant mode of transport before the advent of highways.

Answer: **Train** (accept Railroads)

The band Train named their 2010 album partially after this city. This city is home to the western end of Interstate 80 and a park that was named after a famous US President.

Answer: **San Francisco**

Train's 2012 album is named after this highway. This highway connects the cities of Novato and Vallejo [vall-ehoh] and used to be home to a section called Blood Alley.

Answer: **California Highway 37**

Tossup 3: This Highway Project was the most expensive ever to occur in the USA, costing over 8 billion dollars. This Highway Project was proposed after a full highway network through the city it travels was rejected. A greenway named for the Kennedy family was built as the final part of this highway project. For 10 Points, name this highway project, a primary artery through Boston along Interstate 93 that took 17 years to complete.

Answer: **The Big Dig** (accept Central Artery Project)

Bonus 3:

This highway was heavily used by Okies to reach the Salinas Valley during the dust bowl. For 10 points each.

Name this Highway, once called the Main Street of America that is home to a ranch full of abandoned luxury cars

Answer: **Route 66**

This town on Route 66 fell under hard times after the construction of Interstate 40 in a 2006 film often accused of ripping off the movie Doc Hollywood.

Answer: **Radiator Springs**

This Radiator Springs resident was confused as a spy by Finn McMissile in the sequel to Cars. Name this tow truck who is played by Larry the Cable Guy and is known for his fart jokes.

Answer: Tow **Mater**

Tossup 4: During a 2018 heat wave, sections of this system of highway started melting away. A member of this highway system numbered 7 splits the country it is a part of into two distinct halves. The band Kraftwerk named its landmark 1974 album after this highway system, which is known for its speed and reliability. For the point, name this highway system known for its lack of speed limits in many sections that traverses the country of Germany.

Answer: **Autobahn [accept Bundesautobahn]**

Bonus 4: Bridges are integral parts of highways. For the point, name some famous bridges.

This longest overwater Bridge traverses its namesake lake and connects the New Orleans Suburb of Metairie to Mandeville.

Answer: **Lake Pontchartrain Causeway**

This Southern French Viaduct designed by Michel Virlogeux (virlo-goo) is recognized as the tallest bridge in the world, traversing over the Tarn river valley.

Answer: **Millau [mill-lau] Viaduct**

This New York bridge was replaced with a more structurally sound span after the original version was at risk of collapse. Name this bridge, whose 2017 iteration is named after the state's former governor Mario Cuomo.

Answer: **Tappan Zee Bridge (do not accept Mario Cuomo or Cuomo Bridge)**

Tossup 5:

This location was referred to by Bill Bryson as “an awful place, one of the world’s worst tourist traps” in his book The Lost Continent. This location is well known for its advertisement for free ice water and its billboards, which surround the 600 miles of roads leading up to this location. For the point, name this location, a cowboy-themed rest stop/gift complex located in a namesake South Dakota town and home to an 80-foot brontosaurus statue.

Answer: **Wall Drug**

Bonus 5:

This highway is referred to in an Allman Brothers Song as a place that the narrator was born on in a greyhound bus. For the point,

Name this US Highway which connects the cities of Miami and Milwaukee and parallels Interstate 75 in Florida.

Answer: **US 41 (accept highway 41) (be grudgingly accept Interstate 41)**

The southernmost section of Highway 41 traverses this Florida region, home to many swamps and alligators.

Answer: **The Everglades**

A spur route of US 41 passes through this US National Park, home to landmarks such as Clingmans Dome and the LeConte Lodge.

Answer: **Great Smoky Mountains National Park**

Tossup 6: A state parkway named for this man was renamed to the Niagara Scenic Parkway during the removal of the highway around Niagara Falls that he proposed. A highway that this man built was notorious for destroying the neighborhood of Tremont. This man dreamed of a bridge between Rye and Oyster Bay that would help connect traffic over a sound. This man built highways with purposely low bridges to prevent buses containing African-Americans from getting through. For 10 points, name this urban planner notorious for trying to build an expressway across Manhattan's 34th Street, the subject of the Power Broker.

Answer: **Robert Moses**

Bonus 6:

Why drown in a river when you can drive alongside it? For 10 points, name some rivers that parallel interstate highways.

Interstate 55 follows the course of this midwestern river known for its mounds and societies such as Cahokia between southern Louisiana and St Louis, Missouri.

Answer: **Mississippi River**

In Umatilla County, Oregon, Interstate 84 splits from paralleling this river that is adjacent to Beacon Rock and houses the Bonneville Dam.

Answer: **Columbia River**

Name this number, which represents an Interstate Highway in the Rio Grande Valley that passes through McAllen and holds the lowest number of any interstate highway.

Answer: **2**

TU7: This state is notable for housing the only interstate highway numbered by an individual person, being named by US House Representative Bud Shuster, who hails from this state. This state is home to a highway known as America's First Superhighway that passes through the Tuscarora [tus-car-ora] Mountain Tunnel. A section of Interstate 80 in this state is notable for not passing through any cities with a population larger than 50,000 and bisects this state's town of State College. The Blue Mountain cuts through 250 miles in, for 10 points, which state who's highest peak is Mount Davis and is home to a Water Gap on its Eastern Border.

Answer: **Pennsylvania**

Bonus 7: A town called Virginia City in this state was home to a famous silver mine. For 10 points,

Name this State, home to former state highway 34, which passes by the seasonal community of Black Rock City.

Answer: **Nevada**

A Nevada Highway connecting two towns whose names both end in Springs is named after this kind of creature said to be kept in a government facility near Groom Lake.

Answer: **Extraterrestrial Highway** [prompt on alien] [do not accept martian]

A town named Rachel on the Extraterrestrial Highway was supposed to be the meeting spot for this event, which eventually turned into a Las Vegas music festival and the theming for an Old Town Road remix video.

Answer: **Storm Area 51** [accept descriptions of raids on Area 51]

Tossup 8:

A US Highway numbered 9 uses this form of non-paved connection for a 20-mile stretch. A highway between Hamburg, Germany, and Copenhagen, Denmark uses this kind of connector to connect the towns of Rodby [rod-bey] and Puttgarden [poot-garden]. This kind of connector was used heavily by people from Ireland in the 1980s to reach the island of Anglesey on their migrations to London. Before the opening of the Channel Tunnel, this kind of connector was the only way to reach Mainland Europe from the United Kingdom with a mode of automotive transport. For 10 points, name this kind of connector which involves the usage of marine transit to connect sections of roads.

Answer: **Car Ferry** [prompt on ferry]

Bonus 8:

Pitbull once famously said, "The bigger they are, the harder they fall," and this is certainly true of bridges. For 10 points each

Name this Bridge, that crossed a Washington Strait and only stood for 4 months in its "galloping" form before collapsing in November of 1940.

Answer: **Tacoma Narrows Bridge** [accept Galloping Gertie]

This city, home to a complex of bridges at Fort Snelling, is primarily known for a 2007 bridge collapse over its St Anthony's Falls on Interstate 35W.

Answer: **Minneapolis**

This Texas Island primarily known as a Spring Break destination was cut off from the mainland and its water supply for 2 months after a 2001 bridge collapse struck the Queen Isabella Causeway.

Answer: **South Padre Island**

Tossup 9:

This Island's major Highways all have the prefix H before their namesake number. A football stadium on this Island whose name is known as welcoming in this island's culture directly

intersects a major Interstate Highway Interchange. This Island's civilization is designed directly around two active shield volcanoes, the larger one named Mount Kaala [ka-la]. For 10 points, name this island, whose interstate system ends in the neighborhood of Waikiki and provides the primary form of access to Pearl Harbor.

Answer: **O'ahu**

Bonus 9:

Orlando has a very intricate highway system. For 10 points each, name some Orlando Highways.

Name this Orlando Interstate Highway. It connects the cities of Tampa and Daytona Beach, passing by Disney World and is the name of a corridor often known for deciding presidential elections.

Answer: **Interstate 4 [accept I-4]**

This Florida State Highway is known as the Beachline and was part of the major Orlando boom of the 1960s. This Highway connects Brevard County and the Kennedy Space Center to Orlando and is the proposed location for a high-speed rail service proposed by Richard Branson.

Answer: **Florida State Highway 528**

This Cape, located at the end of Highway 528, is home to a major cruise port. This Cape also holds an Air Force Station that has been used as a common rocket launch site.

Answer: **Cape Canaveral [accept Cape Kennedy]**

Tossup 10:

The Stelvio Pass in this country was named the best driving road in Europe by Top Gear. A tunnel in this country was required to restart car shuttle operations to transfer cars through the Alps after a 2001 accident. This country requires a vignette to drive on its expansive highway system, often called the smoothest in the world. For 10 points, name this country, which has a road that passes through the Alps at the San Bernardino Tunnel near Chur.

Answer: **Switzerland**

Bonus 10:

Speed isn't everything, but for this bonus it is. For 10 points, answer some questions about speed limits.

This speed limit, featured in some parts of Texas, is the highest featured in America. Give this number in miles per hour.

Answer: **85mph**

In 1974, the National Maximum Speed act was passed, mandating a national speed limit of this number, which was the inspiration for a Sammy Hagar song about not being able to drive this title speed.

Answer: **55 mph**

This speed is the legal maximum for trucks in Europe, with trucks having limiters put in to enforce this limit. This number also names the multiple of 8 times 7 in miles per hour or 18 times 5 in kilometers per hour.

Answer: **56mph or 90 kph**

Tossup 11:

This city features a gondola that carries people above a major interstate highway. It's not Los Angeles, but this city's Sunset Highway carries traffic between itself and Cannon Beach. A series of streets in this city are commonly theorized to be the inspiration of the names of characters from The Simpsons. This city, well known for its bridges, features many that cross over the Willamette River. For 10 points, name this city across the Columbia River from Vancouver and home to the intersection of Interstates 5 and 84.

Answer: **Portland, Oregon**

Bonus 11: Despite their name, you can't wear a beltway. For 10 points, answer some questions about Beltways.

This Beltway, named after the first president of the Republic of Texas, surrounds the city its namesake partially names and connects to George W Bush Airport via the Hardy Toll Road.

Answer: **Sam Houston Tollway**

This Partial Beltway in the Los Angeles Area is known for its extreme traffic and was also the location where O.J Simpson engaged in a slow-speed chase from the police in his Ford Bronco.

Answer: **Interstate 405 [accept San Diego Freeway]**

This Beltway was never fully completed due to backlash to a bridge between Rye and Oyster Bay along this Beltway. This Beltway passes by the Trump International Golf Course in Bedminster, New Jersey by its exit 22.

Answer: **Interstate 287**

Tossup 12:

This often mocked highway was named after the first mayor of the unified city it is situated in. A character in Seinfeld tried beating this highway using the "Rockaway boulevard shortcut." This highway, built as a way to connect the site of the 1939 World's Fair with Idlewild Airport, strangely never connects with its parent route Interstate 78 due to community backlash. For 10 points, name this expressway, a part of Interstate 678 that connects John F Kennedy International Airport to the Flushing Meadows.

Answer: **Van Wyck Expressway**

Bonus 12: Sometimes in life, it's good to have tunnel vision. For 10 points each, name some long tunnels.

This Tunnel, the longest road tunnel in the world, is home to a system with colorfully lighted rest stops, is located adjacent to the Sognefjord [sog-ne-fjord] and is used to connect the Norwegian towns of Flam and Bergen to the Eastern Parts of Norway.

Answer: **Laerdal [lar-dal] Tunnel**

This Tunnel, home to a shuttle to transport cars along its 31-mile length, has been the primary way to connect the towns of Folkestone and Calais since it's 1994 opening and has enabled high-speed rail between the UK and Continental Europe.

Answer: **Channel Tunnel [accept Chunnel]**

This tunnel, the longest road tunnel in the world from 1965 to 1979, connects the town of Chamonix [cha-mony] in France with Italy by passing through a namesake mountain, the tallest in Western Europe and the Alps.

Answer: **Mont-Blanc Tunnel**

13. This highway was originally designed in the 1920s as a way to expand American imperialist interests. This highway unofficially connects Alaska to the Arctic Ocean and is the only source of life within the Atacama Desert. This highway, which uses the Bridge of the Americas to cross the Panama Canal is split across by the Darien Gap. For 10 points, what highway, numbered Highway 1 in many countries, was built as a route connecting Ushuaia, Argentina, and Deadhorse, Alaska.

Answer: **The Pan-American Highway**

Bonus 13:

Auxiliary Highways are a necessary facet of the Interstate Highway System. For 10 points, name some info about Auxiliary Interstates.

This Auxiliary Interstate, the longest one of its type, is considered the Northeast Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike and is considered the primary thoroughfare through Eastern Pennsylvania.

Answer: **Interstate 476**

This highway digit perhaps numbers the most amount of auxiliary highways, numbering a connector from Baltimore to Washington, a Highway connecting the New Jersey Suburbs of Philadelphia to Delaware, and the primary highway through Portland and Brunswick, Maine.

Answer: **295**

The Auxiliary Highway 238 is numbered as such even without the presence of an Interstate 38 due to this Interstate Highway running out of possible auxiliary route numbers in the state of California. This Interstate's California Stretch passes through the cities of Truckee and Davis.

Answer: **Interstate 80**

14. This province is connected by a bridge to the Gaspé [gas-pe] Peninsula in its town of Campbellton. A Highway numbered 1 passes through this province's largest city, which was founded as a city for loyalist refugees who refused to leave British soil. This province features a bridge that connects the easternmost part of the United States with its Campobello island. For 10 points, name this Canadian Province where the Trans-Canada Highway passes through the cities of Fredericton and Moncton and whose largest city is St. John.

Answer: **New Brunswick**

Bonus 14: Before the 66s and Route 1s, there were auto trails. For 10 points each, name some auto trails from before the US Highway System.

This highway was a major connector between New York and San Francisco and was a partial inspiration for the Interstate Highway System after Eisenhower traveled on it in 1919.

Answer: **Lincoln Highway**

This system of auto trails connected Chicago, Illinois and Sault Saint Marie, Michigan to Miami, Florida prior to the advent of Interstate 75 and also names a political faction led by Strom Thurmond.

Answer: **Dixie Highway**

This Auto-Trail was the first real highway in the United States, built-in 1811 and connected the cities of Baltimore, Maryland and Vandalia, Illinois.

Answer: **National Road [accept Cumberland Road]**

15. A Highway of this number passes by the Franconia Notch on its path between Manchester and the Northeast Kingdom. Another highway of this number passes by the edge of Glacier National Park and has a spur that passes through the only Nevada town to observe the Mountain Time Zone. A Canadian Highway of this number connects the National Parks of Banff and Jasper. For 10 points, name this number of highways, the most well known of which connects the cities of Phoenix and Las Vegas.

Answer: **93**

Bonus 15: Pitbull goes by Mr. Worldwide, and thanks to international roads, you can too! For 10 points each, name some major border crossings.

This Bridge, connecting Detroit, Michigan, and Windsor, Ontario is the most highly trafficked border crossing in America and helps connect Ontario Highway 3 with Interstate 75.

Answer: **Ambassador Bridge**

This town on the Chinese/Kazakh Border is home to a special cross-border trade zone and is considered the world's largest dry port.

Answer: **Khorgas [kor-gos]**

This land strip on a country border is home to an area where American Soldiers used to perform Max Thunder drills and is home to a diplomatic building called the Joint Security Area:

Answer: **DMZ** [accept North-South Korea Border]

TU16. A series of highways in this country have a fork in the town of Kenmare. A freeway in this country connects the city of Waterford to its capital. A ferry between Tarbert and Killimer in this country crosses its largest river on its Wild Atlantic Way. The city of Galway is connected to Limerick by the M18 in, for 10 points, this country, whose major city of Cork features a stone that is said to give individuals the skill of flattery after kissing it.

Answer: **Ireland**

Bonus 16. The Coolest Mountains are the ones you can drive up. For 10 points, name some mountains accessible by road.

This New Hampshire Mountain is connected to Highway 16 via a 7.6-mile toll road that ends near Pinkham Notch and features Tuckerman's Ravine.

Answer: **Mount Washington**

This North Carolina Mountain, the highest east of the Mississippi, is connected to the Blue Ridge Parkway by Highway 128.

Answer: **Mount Mitchell**

A hill climb referred to as a "race to the clouds" occurs on this mountain, which was home to a gold rush from 1858 to 1861 and is accessed via a 19-mile winding toll road.

Answer: **Pikes Peak**

TU17:

This route crosses the Continental Divide at the South Pass, being at the divides lowest point. A prominent point on this route in Nebraska is a Chimney shaped rock that juts from the Platte River skyline. This route featured a major stopping post at Fort Bridger. The Barlow Road connects the final part of this route between The Dalles and Willamette Valley. For 10 points, name this trail that starts in Independence Missouri and was used by settlers to reach the west.

Answer: **The Oregon Trail**

Bonus 17: Some of the Interstate System is still under construction. For 10 points, name some Interstates under construction

This Interstate Highway, which is notorious for sign theft due to its number, which when completed will connect Laredo, Texas and Port Huron, Michigan, will be only the second to connect the Canadian and Mexican Borders of the US.

Answer: **Interstate 69**

Name this other Interstate Highway, which when completed will traverse the western end of Arkansas and will connect the Louisiana cities of Lafayette and Shreveport with Kansas City.

Answer: **Interstate 49**

This unfinished Highway was shelved due to major community backlash over trying to build a highway over Canal Street in Manhattan that would have connected the Holland Tunnel and Brooklyn Bridge.

Answer: **Lower Manhattan Expressway [accept LOMEX]**

TU18:

This national park splits up two sections of US Highway 20 and has highways enter near the town of Gardiner. A stretch of this park's Grand Loop Road features 4 concurrent US Highways. A section of this park near the town of Cody features the western end of US Routes 14 and 16. The Beartooth Highway enters this park after passing through the town of Cooke City, connecting it to the city of Billings. For 10 points, name this national park, where the US Highways 89, 191, and 287 passes near the cities of Jackson and Idaho Falls.

Answer: **Yellowstone National Park**

Bonus 18: Pencil and Paper Ready+Highway Numbers=Winning Combination. For 10 points each,

This number is the amount of four-digit interstate highways multiplied by the number of US Highways in America.

Answer: **0**

This Interstate's number can be found by adding two US Highways that intersect it in close proximity to each other near the town of Kingsport, Tennessee, US 58 and 23. Name the number of this Interstate Highway.

Answer: **Interstate 81**

Taking the factorial of this number that names an interstate highway yields a highway with this number that intersects with the namesake Interstate in Lathrop, California that passes through Yosemite National Park and connects cities such as Oakdale and Escalon.

Answer: **Interstate 5**

TU19:

This US Highway's northernmost section serves as a loop around Olympic National Park. This US Highway passes through the cities of Oxnard and Goleta on a stretch of highway named for a county it traverses through. This US Highway passes through the town of Crescent City while weaving through Redwoods in Del Norte and Humboldt County. A site off of this US Highway named the Muir Woods is home to the closest redwood forest to a major city. For 10 points, name this US Highway that passes through the cities of San Mateo and Santa Barbara.

Answer: **US Highway 101**

Bonus 19:

The two greatest things, roads, and theme parks are plentiful in Texas. For 10 points, name some info about Texas and Theme Parks.

This Highway ends in a city known for a roller coaster named Iron Shark and connects cities such as League City and Dallas.

Answer: **Interstate 45**

This city is home to both a SeaWorld and Six Flags location connected by State Highway 1604. This city is also home to the starting point of Interstate 37.

Answer: **San Antonio**

Six Flags Over Texas and the Six Flags Headquarters lie along this Interstate Highway, which connects Little Rock, Arkansas with Weatherford, Texas.

Answer: **Interstate 30**

TU20:

The Steese Highway in this state connects the towns of Circle and Central to a main population center. The Sterling Highway in this state connects its cities of Homer and Kenai and helps carry its state highway 1. This state's Kodiak Island is known for having Pitbull play at its local Walmart. The Richardson Highway connects this state's town of Delta Junction with Valdez. For 10 points, name this state where the Seward Highway connects the city of Anchorage to the Kenai Peninsula.

Answer: **Alaska**

Bonus 20: Before we go, let's not forget about African Highways. For 10 points each.

Name this bridge, the only major crossing of the Congo River for the majority of its length located within the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Answer: **Matadi Bridge**

This bridge was supposed to connect the Horn of Africa with the Persian Gulf but was canceled after the country the bridge was connecting went into Civil War.

Answer: **Bridge of the Horns [accept Djibouti-Yemen Bridge]**

A major highway discontinuity in Africa was caused by the building of this dam intended to prevent the flood of the Nile, which was built by Gamel Abdel Nasser.

Answer: **Aswan High Dam**