

**Princeton College Bowl
Toss-ups
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1988**

1. About 1% of America's or the Soviet's nuclear arsenals are employed and the resulting fires launch enough debris into the atmosphere to lower the earth's surface temperature 50 degrees Fahrenheit. For 10 points, what name did Ehrlich and Turco popularize for this hypothetical phenomenon?

Nuclear Winter

2. They were no ordinary pair of black and white pumps; they were both left-footed. So begins Steve Martin's description of what tortuous articles of clothing?

The Cruel Shoes

3. The name's the same. A French socialist writer who called for the elimination of all private property, and a mathematician who devised a method of reducing any periodic function into a series of sines and cosines. For 10 pts., give the name.

Fourier

① 4. For a quick ten points, how many years after Jesse Owens won his 4 track and field gold medals did Carl Lewis repeat this feat?

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② 5. Phenolphthalein is commonly used in chemistry as an acidity indicator. For ten points, spell phenolphthalein.

p-h-e-n-o-l-p-h-t-h-a-l-e-i-n

③ 6. *Imagine*, *All Things Must Pass*, *Mind Games*, or *Shaved Fish*. Which album, for 10 points, was not released by John Lennon.

All Things Must Pass

4 7. How dare they tamper with the canon, protested many educators when this university replaced many western writers with third world authors in its freshman humanities courses. For ten points, what California university caused such a fuss in 1988?

Stanford

5 8. This colorful author starred in Tom Wolfe's non-fiction novel, *The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test*, and has since written novels of his own such as *Sometimes a Great Nation* and *Demon Box*. He has never, however, seen the movie adaptation of his most famous work, *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*. Name him for ten points.

Ken Kesey

6 9. Ethylene, styrene, and tetrafluoroethylene each readily form stable, high molecular weight chains. For ten points, what are these common chains called?

Polymers

7 10. "I intended to reach their hearts, but instead I reached their stomachs." Nevertheless, Upton Sinclair's expose had a major impact in the formation of food regulation laws. For ten points, give the title of this work.

The Jungle

8 11. The Styx was the river of hate; the Acheron, the river of woe; the Lethe, the river of forgetfulness; but for ten points, what was the underworld's river of fire?

The Phlegethon

9 12. Steven ~~Biko~~ is killed by South African police, Seattle Slew wins the triple crown, and President Carter pardons draft dodgers of the Vietnam War. For 10 points, in what rather uneventful year did all of these events occur?

1977

10 13. For 10 points, if there have been forty presidents of the United States, how many different presidential surnames have there been?

35 (2x Harrison, Adams, Cleveland, Roosevelt, Johnson)

11 14. For a tough ten points hombre, what film did John Wayne an academy award for?

True Grit

12 15. National, insanity, civil, and zone all can precede this seven letter word and have meanings ranging from law to sports. For ten points, what is this one word?

Defense

13 16. After 21 games they had a perfect record, perfectly horrendous that is. What major league team set a new record for early-season ineptitude by dropping the first 21 games of the 1988 baseball season?

The Baltimore Orioles

17. Here's a follow-up question to the previous toss-up for ten points. They had their most infamous moment retold in a 1988 film. This American League West team, however, added another dubious distinction in '88 by becoming the O's first victim. Name the this team which almost moved to St. Petersburg in 1988.

The Chicago White Sox

14 18. "It was Wang Lung's marriage day." So begins the Pulitzer Prize winning tale of a Chinese peasant farmer by Pearl S. Buck. What is this 1931 novel's title for 10 points?

The Good Earth

- 15 19. Unable to sell her story to a magazine, this environmentalist was forced to write a book about her findings. In it, the author attacked a miracle of modern chemistry, DDT, by calling it a poison to the environment. For ten points, give the title of Rachel Carson's landmark work.

who wrote
Silent Spring?

ANSWER

- 16 20. It was first identified by American psychiatrist Leo Kanner and is believed to be caused by a chemical imbalance. Its symptoms include fascination with mechanical objects, increased musical ability, unresponsiveness, detachment, and the inability to speak. What is this disease call?

autism

21. For a quick 10 points, what Renaissance artist painted *The Rape of Europa*?

Titian

- 17 22. An octagon has 8 sides, an octopus has 8 arms, an octet has 8 members. For 10 points, name the eighth month.

August

- 18 23. What American film genius directed the silent epic *Birth of a Nation* for 10 points?

D.W. Griffith

- 19 24. It was introduced with mixed reviews, but has gone on to capture 20% of the personal computer market. The key to its success is undoubtedly its user-friendliness which is highlighted by extras such as pull-down menus and copious graphics. Name this gem of an apple for ten points.

The Macintosh

- 20 25. It was the symbol of the Roman god Mercury and today is a medical insignia. It consists of two snakes wrapped around a sword. For ten points, name this symbol.

Caduceus