

Wahoo War of The Minds
Packet Four

Toss-Ups

1. Although this fish is one of the world's largest, the Japanese just can't seem to get enough of it in their sushi. A 715 pound fish was recently auctioned for \$90,000 in a Tokyo market. What type of fish is this chicken of the sea?

Tuna.

2. This president was convinced that he was illegitimate, as was his mother, Nancy Hanks. He once observed that "bastards are generally smarter, shrewder, and more intelligent than others." It was only years after his assassination, that his legitimacy was proven definitely. FTP, name him.

Abraham Lincoln.

3. This former navy pilot was shot down over Vietnam in 1965 and later became a philosophy professor at Stanford. FTP, name this man who embarrassed himself on national TV after being nominated in 1992 as Ross Perot's running mate.

James Stockdale.

4. Dennis Eckersley, relief pitcher for the Oakland A's won both the Cy Young Award and the MVP award in the American League last year. FTP, who was the last man to complete this amazing double feat, doing so in 1981?

Rollie Fingers.

5. This type of star is characterized as having a mass below the Chandrasekhar limit and has undergone gravitational collapse. They have only 1% the diameter of the sun and are extremely faint. Unlike most stars, its light doesn't come from internal reactions, but from its atmosphere. FTP, name this variety of star.

White dwarf.

6. The filmed version of Michael Crichton's novel Jurassic Park, directed by Steven Spielberg, is to be released this summer. But this is not the first time Crichton has had one of his novels filmed. FTP, name his first novel about mutant

viruses from outer space, which was adapted into a popular movie in the early seventies.

The Andromeda Strain.

7. One of the rare bloopers in Star Trek: The Next Generation occurs when during a Mozart concert in the episode "Sarek", one of the pieces played is not by Mozart. It is, in fact the andante moderato movement from the Sextet No. 1 in B-flat Major, FTP, by what famous German composer born in 1833?

Johannes Brahms

8. Although it was originally the 4th largest lake in the world, the Soviets have shrunk it by two-thirds by diverting two major rivers for irrigation. 43 million tons of salt have been picked up by the wind, damaging crops, while the rising salinity of the remaining water has killed all the fish. FTP, name this body of water, yet another example of our careless use of natural resources.

Aral Sea

9. The smallest difference in electoral votes in a 20th century presidential election occurred in 1916 when Woodrow Wilson defeated what Republican candidate?

Charles E. Hughes

10. "It is vain to do with more what can be done with fewer." This fourteenth century maxim has modern scientific implications. FTP, what is this maxim's name?

Occam's Razor.

11. It became a state on June 1, 1792. Its state bird is the cardinal and its state flower is the goldenrod. Its motto is "United we stand, divided we fall." FTP, name this state whose capital is Frankfort.

Kentucky.

12. He has been described as the James Dean of the art world - an American original whose sensitivity and machismo inspired

countless imitations. FTP, who is this arist who died at 44 in a car crash?

Jackson Pollock.

13. "Amalgamate" now means to mix or combine. Originally it means to form an alloy with what liquid element?

Mercury.

14. In his first book, published in 1982, he wrote "When I'm 58, I would like to have a newspaper column and be doing a one-hour radio interview show and a television talk show on a regular basis." Except that his radio show is 3 hours, this man's ambitions has been fulfilled exactly. FTP, name this 58 year-old who in 1992 said "he was having the best year of his life."

Larry King.

15. He is known to have printed about 100 books, one third which he had translated himself. FTP, name this printer, the first to print books in English.

William Caxton.

16. This renowned scientist has built on the Darwinian theory of evolution stating the 4 causes of evolution as determinism, gradualism, progress, and adaptation. He is also known for his theory of punctuated equilibrium and popular works on natural history such as The Panda's Thumb. FTP, name him.

Stephen Jay Gould.

17. At age 32, she is a most accomplished woman. She is a harvard graduate and worked for the Miami Herald and the Atlanta Constitution, before landing a job with the Wall Street Journal, where she won a Pulitzer Prize in 1991. She is probably best known as the author of a surprise best seller that explains why many women turned against feminism in the 1980s. FTP, name the author of Backlash.

Susan Faludi.

18. This four-letter word can refer to a Pennsylvania city, the county in which it is located, and the lake on which it is situated. FTP, what is this word, which also names a canal thart

linked the Atlantic with the Great Lakes.

Erie.

19. This American nurse organized the first American and international birth control conferences believing that family limitation, especially where poverty was a factor, was a necessary step in social progress. FTP, name her.

Margaret Higgins Sanger.

20. He has written "I have only one belief about the American political system, and that is this : God is a Republican, and Santa Claus is a Democrat." These words were written by the conservative author of Give War a Chance and Parliament of Whores. FTP, name this political columnist for Rolling Stone magazine.

P.J. O'Rourke.

Extra toss-ups

21. The destruction of the Babri mosque in the Indian town of Ayodhya by a mob of Hindu fanatics last december inevitably led to rioting in Bombay and other cities. The Hindu extremists who carried out the destruction, claimed that the mosque had been built ,FTP, on the spot where what Hindu god had been born?

Rama.

22. This New England author was a major contributor to the Atlantic Monthly and author of such works as "The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table." FTP, name this supporter of the the US ship, Old Ironsides.

Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Bonuses

(30 points)

1. All or nothing. For 30 points name the four official languages of Switzerland.

French
German
Italian
Romansch

(30 points)

2. His name sounds Italian, but he was actually Swiss. A sculptor and painter, he is associated with surrealism and is famous for his bronze sculptures of elongated human figures. For 30 points, name this creator of Man Walking.

Alberto Giacometti

(30 points)

3. Cable has gotten a lot more attention with several programs that have become cult favorites. FTP each, identify the channel each of these shows appear on.

Mystery Science Theater 3000	<u>Comedy Central</u> (also the Comedy Channel)
Ren and Stimpy	<u>Nickelodeon</u> (also MTV)
Tales from the Crypt	<u>HBO</u>

(20 points)

4. For ten points apiece, what are the full names of the two professional sports teams in either the NBA, NHL, NFL, or major league baseball named after fish.

Florida Marlins
San Jose Sharks

(20 points)

5. For twenty points, name the Dutch astronomer who established that the Milky Way galaxy rotates, and the Earth's solar system lies on the outskirts of the galaxy. He is best known for hypothesizing a vast collection of ice chunks lying far beyond Pluto, thought to be the birthplace of comets.

Jan Oort

(30 pts)

6. FTP each, tell me what B countries these flags represent.

1.) All green with a large red circle in the center.

Bangladesh

2.) Three large vertical stripes going from left to right: black, yellow, and red.

Belgium

3.) Three large horizontal stripes going from top to bottom: white, green, and red.

Bulgaria

(25 pts)

7. It was founded in 1918 and performs at Severance Hall in the winter and at Blossom Music Center in the summer. For 25 points, name this prominent orchestra conducted by George Szell in the fifties and sixties.

Cleveland Orchestra.

(25 pts)

8. This fortified hill south of Mexico City was the site of a brave defense to the death by Mexican cadets when it was stormed and taken by US force in 1847 during the Mexican War. For 25 points, name this traditional home of Spanish viceroys and Mexican rulers.

Chapultepec

(20 pts)

9. For 5 points each, give the common name for the following irrational numbers rounded to the fourth decimal place.

3.1416

pi

1.6180

the golden ratio

2.7183

e

1.4142

square root of 2

(30 pts)

10. A student named Mikage is so upset by the death of her grandmother that she moves her bed into the kitchen of their empty apartment. She forms a friendship with a young man named Yuichi, and spends her time with him and his mother, who used to be his father, in the kitchen of their apartment. For 15 points, what is the title of this Japanese novel, published in English

in 1992?

Kitchen

For another 15 points, who is the author of Kitchen?

Banana Yoshimoto

(20 pts)

11. This element with atomic number 43 was first discovered in 1937 by Perrier and Segre as an artificial element. It is a major constituent of nuclear mission products. For 20 points, name this element whose symbol is Tc.

Technetium

(20 pts)

12. His real name was Edward Teach or Thatch. He was a pirate who preyed on the West Indies and along the Atlantic coast. He was killed by the British in 1718. Name this famous English pirate for 20 points.

Blackbeard

(20 pts)

13. In the 1990 census, New York remained the most populous US city

However, spots two through five shifted among themselves. For five points each, name the city that is

2nd most populous Los Angeles

3rd Chicago

4th Houston

5th Philadelphia

(25 pts)

14. For 25 points after the first clue, and 10 points after the second clue, identify this person.

1.) This Italian educator's works include The Secret of Childhood, Education for a New World, and To Educate the Human Potential.

2.) her philosophy, embodied in the children's schools located world-wide which bear her name, sought to encourage individual initiative and self-direction.

Maria Montessori.

(30 pts)

15. We all know France's colonial legacy in West Africa. Somewhat less known is Portugal's role as an African colonizer. Its hold on its colonies lasted until 1975, almost 20 years after the independence of most French African colonies. For 10 points each, name the three former Portuguese colonies in Africa.

Mozambique, Angola, Guinea Bissau

(25 pts)

16. The 9 daughters of Zeus and the Titaness Mnemosyne are known as muses, goddesses of the intellectual pursuits. For 5 points each, name five of the nine muses.

Calliope, Clio, Erato, Euterpe, Melponeme, Polymnia, Terpsichore, Thalia, Urania

(30 pts)

17. FTP each, I'll name the short story and you name its Russian author.

"The Nose"	Nikolai <u>Gogol</u>
"The Shot"	Alexander <u>Pushkin</u>
"The Party"	Anton <u>Chekov</u>

(30 pts)

18. For 5 points apiece with a five point bonus for all correct, name the actor who played these TV sitcom characters.

Archie Bunker	Carroll <u>O'Connor</u>
Cliff Huxtable	Bill <u>Cosby</u>

Al Bundy

Ed O'Neill

(25 pts)

19. Rolling Stone recently did a reader's poll of readers' favorite albums from each of the last four decades. When I give you the decade, you tell me the #1 album choice for each. I'll accept only the title of the album, not the group. 5 points each and a bonus for 5 for all correct.

The Sixties	<u>Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band</u>
(the	Beatles)
Seventies	<u>The Wall</u> (Pink Floyd)
Eighties	<u>The Joshua Tree</u> (U2)
Nineties	<u>Achtung Baby</u> (U2)

(20 pts)

20. Which car company produced these lemons? You will receive 5 points for each correct answer with 5 extra awarded for all correct.

Pinto	<u>Ford</u>
Edsel	<u>Ford</u>
Corvair	<u>GM</u>