

## VETO 2013, FARSSIDE team tossups

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### TOSSUP 1

Eutyechianus ["yoo-TICK-yan-us"] of Adana reports that this action was done in the sixth century by Theophilus of Adana, who was appointed bishop as a result. In sixteenth-century Krakow, doing this enabled Pan Twardowski to help the king of Poland by summoning up Barbara Radziwill, his dead wife. It enabled Tom Walker in colonial Massachusetts to locate Captain Kidd's treasure. New Hampshire farmer Jabez Stone did it in return for seven years of prosperity, and when time came to pay, was defended by Dan'l Webster. For 10 points, what is this commercial transaction most famously made in exchange for unlimited knowledge and power by Johann Faust?

**Answer:** sell his soul to the devil (*Accept equivalents, but say "sell his soul to the devil" if those words weren't used.*)

*(Prompt on "Faustian bargain" if that answer is given before Faust is mentioned.)*

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### TOSSUP 2 has two versions, one for Vancouver and the other for Toronto.

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#### TOSSUP 2 — TORONTO ONLY (OMIT in Vancouver)

This town's Historical Society leads walking tours of heritage homes of such nineteenth-century pioneers as Peter McCorquodale and Merrick Thomas, located on Front Street between Navy Street and Thomas Street, next to Lakeside Park, at the mouth of Sixteen Mile Creek. It is home to the head offices of Tim Hortons and of its largest private-sector employer, Ford Canada. Right now it's hosting the Canadian Open at its Glen Abbey Golf Course. For 10 points, name this suburban town on Lake Ontario between Burlington and Mississauga.

**Answer:** Oakville

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#### TOSSUP 2 — VANCOUVER ONLY (OMIT in Toronto)

This community was founded in 1910 by recent arrivals from the Ottawa Valley and the Eastern Townships who had been recruited by Father William O'Boyle and Théodore Thérout ["tay-ROO"] to work at the Ross-MacLaren sawmill. Bounded to the north by Rochester Avenue and to the south by Highway One, it is centred on Notre Dame de Lourdes church on Laval Square. For 10 points, what is this neighbourhood on the south slope of Coquitlam whose annual Festival du Bois ["bwa"] celebrates its heritage as B.C.'s oldest community of francophones?

**Answer:** Maillardville

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### TOSSUP 3

Mathematically, it is a two-form defined as the exterior derivative of the one-form corresponding to the inner product with a vector field. The rate of change of a time-varying magnetic field is equal to the negative of this operator applied to the electric field. When you apply it to the flow velocity of a moving fluid, you get the vorticity. For 10 points, what is this operator that gives a measure of the rotation of a three-dimensional vector field and is represented as a cross product with differential operator  $\text{del}$ ?

**Answer:** curl

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**TOSSUP 4**

On March 1, 2013, Richard Kruger became this company's chairman, president, and CEO, taking over from Bruce March. Five years earlier, Bruce March succeeded Tim Hearn, who moved the firm's headquarters to Calgary from Toronto, where Stephen Harper's father had worked in accounting for most of his career. Currently the company faces two-billion-dollar cost overruns at its Kearl mine in Alberta, and difficulty in Nova Scotia in trying to sell its Dartmouth refinery. For 10 points, name this subsidiary of Exxon Mobil that runs service stations called Esso.

**Answer:** Imperial Oil (Limited)

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**TOSSUP 5**

In Albrecht Altdorfer's *Mary with the Child*, the right hand of Christ sits atop one of these objects. In Anthony van Dyck's painting of the three children of Charles the First, there's one between the hands of James, the "Baby Stuart". In Guido Reni's *Atalanta and Hippomenes*, Atalanta holds one in her left hand and picks up another with her right hand. In *The Son of Man* by René Magritte, a green one obscures the face of a man wearing a bowler hat. It can also be golden, as in the Judgment of Paris, and it's the most common object in Cézanne's still lifes. For 10 points, what tree-fruit is most often red?

**Answer:** apple

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**TOSSUP 6**

In Ottawa on March 9, 1978, Torontonion Vern Taylor became the first person ever to accomplish this feat in international competition. Ten years later in Tokyo, it was first done by a woman, Midori Ito, and at the Vancouver Olympics, it was performed three times by Ito's compatriot Mao Asada. It's worth eight and a half points, second only to the quad toe. Starting from a left front outside edge and kicking your right leg, for 10 points, what is this skating jump that ends you up on your right foot after three and half revolutions?

**Answer:** triple Axel

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**TOSSUP 7**

It became an independent kingdom in 1342 under Sultan Shamsuddin Ilyas Shah. The Ilyas Shahi dynasty was overthrown in 1486 by Abyssinian eunuchs who ruled this sultanate for eight years until Alauddin Husain Shah, an Arab from Turkestan, seized power and expanded it west into Orissa and north into the upper Brahmaputra valley in Assam. Finally absorbed into the Mughal Empire by Akbar the Great, it was run by the Nawabs of Murshidabad, who let the British East India Company establish a post at Calcutta. For 10 points, name this region covering part of present-day India and all of Bangladesh.

**Answer:** Bengal

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**TOSSUP 8**

During winter, about twenty times a day this animal dives to depths of below nine hundred metres to look for food, mainly Greenland halibut, as it lives under dense pack ice. A fully grown adult has a grey or white belly and a back that's grey with black mottling, and is four to five metres long. It has two front teeth, the right one growing to about thirty centimetres, and the left one, in males, growing spirally out to two to three metres. For ten points, name this Arctic cetacean ["see-TAY-shun"] with its distinctive long tusk.

**Answer:** narwhal

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### TOSSUP 9

This work includes a play-within-a-play, in which the spirit of the universe speaks about an earth where all life has been dead for a thousand years. The performance ends prematurely after the appearance of Satan is mocked by the audience, including the playwright's mother, whose lover, the author of *Days and Nights*, seduces the actress, Nina, who lives on a neighbouring estate. Nina is beloved by the playwright, Konstantin, who shoots himself after she rejects his gift of the title bird he'd shot in, for 10 points, what work by Anton Chekhov?

**Answer:** (the) Seagull (or Chaika)

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### TOSSUP 10

This term gained prominence in 1959 in an editorial written under the pseudonym of "Candide", saying, "Parents understand me. Let's not scandalize others." Its prevalence among schoolchildren was further denounced in a teacher's letters later published as *The Impertinences of Brother Anonymous*, which called it a "boneless tongue". Embraced in the song "Fu Man Chu" by Robert Charlebois, by the literary magazine *Parti pris*, and by the playwright Michel Tremblay, it takes its name from a slurred pronunciation of the word for horse. For 10 points, what is this Canadian dialect of French?

**Answer:** joual

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### TOSSUP 11

When Douglas Haig asked Arthur Currie to capture this village, he first replied, "I will not waste sixteen thousand good soldiers on such a hopeless objective." The number of Canadian dead and wounded actually ended up as fifteen thousand, six hundred and fifty-four. The capture and defence of its Vapor Farm and Source Farm earned Major George Pearkes a Victoria Cross, one of nine received by Canadians, the most for any battle in history. For 10 points, name this village in Belgium's Ypres ["EE-pray"] Salient that was finally taken, with five square kilometres of mud, on November 6, 1917.

**Answer:** Passchendaele

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### TOSSUP 12

Johannes Brahms used this instrument in the *Allegro giocoso* third movement of his fourth symphony, but not in any other work. The third movement of Piano Concerto Number One by Franz Liszt begins with a solo by this instrument. It supplies the percussion in the opening bars of Henry Mancini's theme for the Pink Panther. John Deacon played it in live performances of the song "Killer Queen", and Martin Short's character Ed Grimley played it on SCTV. For ten points, name this one-note musical instrument played by striking a beater against a suspended bent steel rod.

**Answer:** triangle

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### TOSSUP 13

This work posits four basic Victim Positions, from "To deny the fact that you are a victim", exemplified by the poetry of Charles Sangster, up to "To be a creative non-victim." It cites David Canaan's *The Mountain and the Valley* as a typical story of farmers feeling trapped

but "unwilling to leave because the alternative is cold empty space." As examples of refusal to accept the inevitability of one's victimhood, this work cites the "social" poems of Irving Layton. Subtitled "a thematic guide to Canadian literature", for 10 points, what is this 1972 book by Margaret Atwood?

**Answer:** Survival

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#### TOSSUP 14

Only two of these have ever been made in Canada, both designed by Arcade Letour and built by Pierre Thibault ["tee-BO"] in 1984; one of these two was later sent to Cuba to be used for five days in 1998. The current one was built in Graz, Austria, a specially modified Mercedes G500 with white interior trim, a folding front windscreen and handrails. This vehicle with licence plate SCV 1 was newly unveiled on March 19, 2013, without its bullet-proof windows. For 10 points, what modern successor to the *sedia gestatoria* is ridden by Jorge Bergoglio in Saint Peter's Square?

**Answer:** Popemobile

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#### TOSSUP 15

This compound induces deacetylation ["dee-a-set-ill-AY-shun"] of PGC-one-alpha and hence biogenesis of mitochondria, after activating the sirtuin ["sir-TU-in"] SIRT1. Mice that are fed it with a high-fat diet are able to run twice as far on a treadmill and are less likely to show signs of obesity or aging, mimicking the effects of caloric restriction. Commercial nutritional supplements extract it from Japanese knotweed, but for ten points, what is this compound that is also present in the skins of red grapes?

**Answer:** resveratrol

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#### TOSSUP 16

This concept entered Canadian law in 1888 with the Privy Council's decision on *St. Catherine's Milling versus The Queen*, which called it "a personal and usufructuary right, dependent on the good will of the Sovereign". In 1973, the Supreme Court ruled that it existed in Canadian common law, but split in the *Calder* case on whether it had been extinguished in the Nass Valley. The 1997 *Delgamuukw* ["DEL-ga-mook"] decision affirmed that it confers rights to activities independent of traditional ones. For 10 points, what is this legal doctrine that maintains indigenous peoples' rights to customary tenure of land?

**Answer:** aboriginal title (prompt on "aboriginal rights" or equivalent)

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#### TOSSUP 17

He has nine mothers, all sisters. His skin is the whitest of all the gods, his teeth are made of gold, and he rides a golden-maned horse named Gulltopp. He once turned himself into a seal to retrieve the necklace Brisingamen of Freyja's that was stolen by Loki. He will blow his trumpet, the Gjallarhorn, to signal the start of Ragnarök, when he and Loki will slay each other. For ten points, name this Norse god who lives in Himinbjörg, at the entrance to Asgard, and guards the rainbow bridge, Bifröst.

**Answer:** Heimdall (or Heimdallr)

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#### TOSSUP 18

In order to be considered genuine, it must contain egg and honey and no salt, and must be baked in a wood-fired oven. It comes in two main varieties: "black seed", with poppy seeds, and "white seed", with sesame seeds. The two biggest producers are named Fairmount and Saint-Viateur, both located in the Mile End neighbourhood of the city for which this product is named. Distinct from the New York style of the same item, for 10 points, what is this Canadian version of a baked good of Eastern European origin with a hole in the middle?

**Answer:** Montreal-style bagel (*prompt for "more specific" on "bagel"*)

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### TOSSUP 19

Picton Island marks the eastern entrance of this body of water, which is two hundred and forty kilometres long, splitting into two branches around Gordon Island near its western end. Settlements along its north side include Yendegaia and Ushuaia, and on its south side, Puerto Williams and Puerto Navarino. Its eastern half separates Chile from Argentina, and it runs along the southern edge of the main island of Tierra del Fuego. For 10 points, what is this strait that was surveyed by Captain Robert Fitzroy and named after his ship, which also carried Charles Darwin?

**Answer:** Beagle Channel (*or Canal Beagle*)

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### TOSSUP 20

It was the title of a humour magazine published in 1971 and 1972 by Jeffrey Darcey, featuring Stanley Berneche's Captain Canada and sidekick Beaverboy. The phrase originated on February 16, 1971, after John Lundrigan of Gander-Twillingate asked about unemployment relief and was interrupted with an unspoken but mouthed response. Asked by reporters outside the House to respond to Opposition allegations of a "disgraceful" and "unacceptable" "obscenity", for 10 points, what did Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau claim to have been thinking when he moved his lips?

**Answer:** fuddle duddle

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### TOSSUP 21

The first one was designed by Enrico Forlanini in 1898 and incorporated a tapered ladder system after model experiments showed that lift is proportional to the square of speed. Casey Baldwin set a world record in Baddeck, Nova Scotia, in 1919 when the HD-4 he built with Alexander Graham Bell reached a speed of one hundred and fourteen kilometres per hour. Today, the most heavily used regular route for this vehicle is between Macau and Hong Kong. For 10 points, what is this type of watercraft based on the principle of eliminating the hull's resistance by raising the hull by means of support arms above the water's surface?

**Answer:** hydrofoil (*do not accept hovercraft*)

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### TOSSUP 22

On June 30, 2013, former Chadian leader Hissène Habré was arrested in this country for war crimes committed during the 1980s. Four days earlier, it was the first country visited on the African trip of Barack Obama. President Macky Sall is also dealing with a long-running separatist rebellion in the mostly-Christian Casamance region of this overwhelmingly Muslim nation. For 10 points, what former French colony's southern Casamance region is physically separated from the rest of the country by the English-

speaking Gambia?

**Answer:** (Republic of) Senegal

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**TOSSUP 23**

This building's dining room has a portrait gallery of ancestors "from the Elizabethan knight to the buck of the Regency". Its central block has two crenellated towers, and ivy covering its south wall. From second-floor windows looking west there is a view of a Devonshire moor. The nearest neighbouring dwelling is the Merripit House, and the closest village, four miles away, is Grimpen. For 10 points, what is this fictional building just outside of which is an alley of yew hedges where the owner's body was found near the footprints of a gigantic canine in a case investigated by Sherlock Holmes?

**Answer:** Baskerville Hall

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**TOSSUP 24**

This monarch once put a dog chain around a defeated rival king and confined him to a kennel at the east gate of his capital. He conquered Egypt's Twenty-Fifth Dynasty and installed a vassal, Psamtik the First, as pharaoh. Later he attacked and destroyed Susa, the capital of Elam. Reliefs on his palace walls celebrate his military exploits, but he secured his place in history by establishing the first royal library, with over thirty thousand clay tablets including the *Enuma Elish* creation story and the Epic of Gilgamesh. For 10 points, name this king of Assyria with his capital at Nineveh.

**Answer:** Ashurbanipal

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