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Questions for the 1991 Sunshine State Invitational  
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Tossups

1. The plane of its base is 370 miles long. Its peak rises 15 miles above that plane. Its lava flow is identical to that of volcanoes on Earth, and by Earth's standards it is a very young volcano. For 10 points - name this largest of Martian volcanoes.

Answer: Nix Olympica or Olympus Mons

2. It measures one-and-a-quarter yards or one thirty-second of a bolt. For 10 points - name this English term commonly used for measuring cloth.

Answer: ell

3. This city lies at approximately four-and-a-half degrees west longitude and thirty-seven degrees north latitude. It is the birthplace of Pablo Picasso and is the second-largest port city in Spain, second only to Barcelona. For 10 points - what city?

Answer: Malaga

4. ~~She hasn't exactly had the easiest road to stardom. She grew up in Poland, sang in a Chicago jazz club, performed in the European group *Matt Bianco*, and now sings Brazilian music. Yes, now Basia is popular. For 10 points - name her second album.~~

Answer: London, Warsaw, New York

5. Every second the Earth is bombarded by quadrillions of neutrinos. A team set up a monitoring station outside the Soviet town of Baksan by filling tanks with 30 tons of gallium. If a neutrino of the right energy interacts with the gallium, some of it will transmute into, for 10 points, what other metallic element?

Answer: Germanium

6. "One good deed deserves another" is the moral from Aesop's fable of the lion and the mouse. We all know the mouse pulls a thorn from the lion's paw, and later the lion spares the mouse's life, but, for 10 points, what was the mouse's name?

Answer: Androcles

7. Everyone knows about George Washington and the cherry tree. A good historian can tell you that the whole story was made up. For 10 points - who made up the "I cannot tell a lie" story?

Answer: Parson Weems

8. When she said to Winston Churchill, "Sir, if you were my husband I would poison your coffee," Churchill replied, "Madam, if you were my wife I would drink it." For 10 points - name this Virginia-born member of Parliament, first elected in 1919.

Answer: Lady Astor, Nancy

9. In 1990, ECOWAS--a 16-nation body formed 15 years ago--sent peace-keeping troops to Liberia during its civil war. For 10 points - what does the acronym ECOWAS stand for?

Answer: Economic Community of West African States

10. For 10 points, name the musical phrase which describes a style of church music for unaccompanied voices, without definite rhythm, in one of the eight church modes.

Answer: Gregorian chant

11. On September 16, 1985 a massive earthquake registering 8.1 on the Richter Scale struck at the edge of the North American Plate along Mexico's western coast, devastating most of Mexico City. For 10 points - what tectonic plate was pushed under the North American Plate to cause the quake?

Answer: Cocos Plate

12. The 1991 Guinness Book of World Records has recognized the new record for most get-well cards every received. At present, over 30 million cards have been sent to a young man in England. For 10 points - name him.

Answer: Craig Shergold

13. He authored a 260-page book called *Sacred Dogs*. He makes his home in suburban Toronto and he heads the Libertarian Party of Canada. In 1990 he lost a presidential runoff election--not in Canada, but in Poland. For 10 points - name him.

Answer: Stanislaw Tyminski

14. This war was the only military experience that Abraham Lincoln had ever faced. It was also the war in which "Honest Abe" and Jefferson Davis first met. For 10 points - give me the name of this war.

Answer: The Black Hawk War

15. A twelve-inch chocolate pie is sliced into six equal parts. The pie is a uniform two inches thick. For 10 points - what is the volume of one piece of this pie, in cubic inches?

Answer: 12 pi cubic inches, or 37.699 cubic inches

16. Most of the territories administered by the United States are self-governing, but two are administered by branches of the U.S. military. For 10 points - name one of these two territories.

Answer: Midway Islands or Wake Islands

17. During the 19th Century, all of the European powers wanted to build a colonial empire. The British already controlled Egypt, the Sudan, and the Cape Province. They wanted to control a strip spanning from north to south. The French had similar aims--they wanted to control a strip of Africa spanning from the west to the east. They inevitably met, but the British had more guns so the French backed down. For 10 points - name the place where they met, and you've named the "incident" of their meeting.

Answer: Fashoda Incident

18. We all talk about it, but only one man has actually written a book entitled it. For 10 points - who wrote *The Great American Novel*?

Answer: Philip Roth

19. He had been Chancellor of the Exchequer for only about ten months when he was forced to vacate 11 Downing Street. His budget failed in December 1852 and the Whig government he served fell. He served three Prime Ministers as Chancellor of the Exchequer--the Earl of Aberdeen, Viscount Palmerston, and Earl Russell--before becoming Prime Minister himself. For 10 points - name him.

Answer: William Ewart Gladstone

20. Homonyms are words that sound alike but have different meanings, and usually different spellings, but not necessarily. For 10 points - what homonym am I looking for? This word means "rarely, infrequently, not often" or "the realm of all cells."

Answer: seldom or celldom

21. She was the goddess of dawn, but now she's just the name of a Canon camera. For a quick 10 points, name her.

Answer: Eos

22. He was a philosopher and psychologist in the early 20th Century, but he is better known for his educational theories. For 10 points - name this author of *The Child and Curriculum*.

Answer: John Dewey

23. Not even Alexander Hamilton know for certain who his father was. He took the name of his mother's live-in love, James Hamilton, because his father Alexander Hamilton the elder was a Scottish nobleman. For 10 points - what was the noble title of the elder Alexander Hamilton?

Answer: Laird of the Grange, Parish of Stevens, County of Ayrshire

24. I'd bet that at least one of you would choose "Jeopardy!" as your favorite game show. We all know that Alex Trebek is the current host of "Jeopardy!" but, for 10 points, who is the current host of the French version of "Jeopardy!"?

Answer: Philippe Risoli

25. This one's for all you pro sports fans out there. This woman is seen often at professional sports events, usually football, basketball, and baseball games. Known as the "Kissing Bandit," she runs out on the field with all her womanly pride bouncing up and down, and lands a big wet kiss on the unsuspecting player. We can see how Morganna is "gifted." Your question is, for 10 points and within three inches, how big is Morganna's bust?

Answer: 60 (accept between 57 and 63)



6. (20 Pts.) The Nobel Prize for Literature has been given to some of the most famous writers in history, including William Faulkner, T.S. Eliot, Eugene O'Neill, and George Bernard Shaw, but this question is not about the Nobel Prize for Literature, it's about the Pulitzer prizes. For 10 points apiece, name these winners of the Pulitzer Prize.

1. This woman won the 1986 Pulitzer for her coverage of the Miami police.

Answer: Edna Buchanan, Miami Herald

2. This paper has received the Meritorious Public Service Pulitzer four times--in 1937, 1941, 1948 and 1952.

Answer: St. Louis Post-Dispatch

7. (30 Pts.) Everyone knows that dogs have puppies and cats have kittens, but for 10 points each, what are called the young of:

1. Monkeys                      Answer: babies  
2. Oysters                        Answer: spats  
3. Rhinoceroses                Answer: calves

8. (25 Pts.) This 15th Century Italian painter and author was also the pioneering theoretician of Renaissance architecture. His buildings include the Church of Sant' Andrea at Mantua, the Church of San Francisco at Rimini, and the Rucellai Palace in Florence. For 25 points, name this Renaissance man?

Answer: Leon Battista Alberti

9. (20 Pts.) In the 17th century, the Council of Trent wanted to do away with polyphonic chorales and return to the Gregorian chant for worship. The premier Vatican composer of that time wrote a polyphonic mass, "Missa Pape Marcellus," but with the clarity that had been lacking in previous polyphonic music. With that mass, the composer convinced the council not to abandon polyphonic music. For 20 points - who was this composer?

Answer: Palestrina

10. (20 Pts.) He first became interested in civil rights when he witnessed a "To Kill a Mockingbird" - style trial of a black man in Alabama. He successfully litigated a lawsuit in Oregon against the national racist organization White Aryan Resistance. He has used this tactic before to try to bankrupt hate groups. For 20 points - name this Alabama lawyer who heads up the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery.

Answer: Morris Dees

11. (30 Pts.) During the course of the 60-plus year history of the Academy Awards, there have been several occasions when a Best Actor or Best Actress Oscar has been awarded for a performance in the film that also received the Best Picture Award. However, there are only two pictures with performances that earned Best Actor, Best Actress, and Best Picture Awards. For 5 points each - name those winners.

Answer: It Happened One Night with Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert (1935)

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest with Jack Nickolson and Louise Fletcher (1975)

12. (20 Pts.) William Congreve's play *The Way of the World* is considered one of the greatest Restoration comedies. Using wit and satire, the play runs like a modern daytime soap opera. For 10 points each - identify the characters from the play from these descriptions.
1. This character is the niece of Lady Wishfort. She is in love with Mirabell, and is one of the two main characters in the play.
  2. He is one of Mirabell's servants along with Petulant. Congreve used him to demonstrate the underlying Witty vs. Unwitty plot.

Answer: 1. Millamont 2. Witwoud

13. (20 Pts.) Justice David Souter recently replaced William J. Brennan on the Supreme Court of the United States. For 5 points each - I'll name four present and past Justices and you name the Justice that they replaced.

1. John Paul Stevens	Answer: <u>William O. Douglas</u>
2. William J. Brennan	Answer: <u>Sherman Minton</u>
3. Felix Frankfurter	Answer: <u>Benjamin N. Cardozo</u>
4. Hugo Black	Answer: <u>Willis Van Devanter</u>

14. (20 Pts.) British politicians are often given affectionate nicknames by the British people. Churchill was known as "Winnie" and Lord Beaconsfield was known as "Dizzy." William E. Gladstone, who served four times as Prime Minister, had a two-work nickname that was a synonym for his name. For 20 points - what was Gladstone's nickname?

Answer: Merry Pebble

15. (30 Pts.) We all know that taxonomy is the science of classifying animals, but now let's see how much you know about it for 10 points apiece.

1. Lepidoptera is the order of what kind of animal?
2. Ichneumonoidea is the family name of this type of insect.
3. Orthoptera is the order of this kind of insect.

Answer: 1. Butterflies or Moths  
2. Parasitic Fly  
3. Grasshopper or Cricket or Locust

16. (20 Pts.) Sirius, with a magnitude of 1.6, is one of the brightest stars in our night sky and part of the constellation Canis Major. For 5 points apiece - I'll give you the name of four other really bright stars and you give the constellation it is located in.

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| 1. Canopus  | Answer: <u>Carina</u>    |
| 2. Rigel    | Answer: <u>Centaurus</u> |
| 3. Arcturus | Answer: <u>Bootes</u>    |
| 4. Vega     | Answer: <u>Lyra</u>      |

17. (20 Pts.) In the early 1940s, Errol Flynn was accused of rape by two teenage girls. When Flynn's case came to trial, a group whose membership included William F. Buckley, Jr. came to aid Flynn in his defense. The acronym for this group is A.B.C.D.E.F. For 20 points - what does A.B.C.D.E.F. stand for?

Answer: American Boys Club for the Defense of Errol Flynn

18. (30 Pts.) From 1968 to 1973, there were five movies based on Pierre Boulle's novel, *Planet of the Apes*, that were made. For 5 points apiece plus 5 more for all correct - name the five movies.

Answer: Planet of the Apes, Beneath the Planet of the Apes, Escape from the Planet of the Apes, Conquest for the Planet of the Apes, Battle of the Planet of the Apes

19. (30 Pts.) Many cities have hosted the Olympic Games, but only six cities have hosted the games twice. For 5 points apiece - name those six cities (either Summer or Winter).

Answer: Paris, London, Los Angeles, St. Moritz, Innsbruck, Lake Placid

20. (30 Pts.) Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California are the four American states that border Mexico. But for five points each - can you name the six Mexican states that border the United States?

Answer: Baja California Norte, Chihuahua, Nuevo Leon, Tamaulipa, Sonora, Coahuila

21. (20 Pts.) Let's see how well you know your patron saints. For 10 points each - who is the patron saint of:

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| 1. Dentists | Answer: <u>Apollonia</u> |
| 2. Scholars | Answer: <u>Brigid</u>    |

22. (30 Pts.) In Christopher Marlowe's play *The Tragic History of the Life and Death of Doctor Faustus*, Dr. Faustus sells his soul for knowledge. In the play, Faustus is visited by three devils. For 10 points apiece - name these three devils.

Answer: Lucifer, Mephistopheles, Beelzebub

23. (20 Pts.) It took nine colonies to ratify the Constitution and form the United States of America. But the other USA - the Union of South Africa - is the union of four states. For 5 points apiece - name them.

Answer: Orange Free State, Cape Province, Natal, Transvaal

24. (20 Pts.) *The Undertaking*, *Song*, *The Good-Morrow*, *The Indifferent*, and *The Colonization* are all poems written by a Metaphysical poet of the 17th century. For 20 points - name him.

Answer: John Donne

25. (20 Pts.) The 1990 Breeders' Cup may be remembered for the horses that were destroyed because of injuries more than for the horses that won. So for 5 points each - name any four of the seven horses that won a race in the Breeders' Cup.

Answer: In the Wings, Fly So Free, Safely Kept, Meadow Star, Royal Academy, Bayakoa, and Unbridled