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Emory Junior Bird Tournament 1992
Open Questions

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1. Hans Castorp, Adrian Leverkühn, Tonio Kröger, Felix Krull, Gustav von Aschenbach, and Thomas Buddenbrooks. For 5 points, what German writer originated all of these characters?

Thomas Mann

2. Located on the rim of Mount Somma, it has erupted in modern times in 1906 and 1944. Rising on the Bay of Naples, it is the only active volcano on the European mainland. For 5 points, name this volcano which buried Stabiae, Herculaneum, and Pompeii.

Mt. Vesuvius

3. Born around 1928 in Pittsburgh, he made long and voyeuristic underground films featuring his friends; examples include Chelsea Girls and Trash. Shot and wounded by one of his starlets in 1968, he remained a cult figure of society until his death in 1987. For 5 points, name this leading pop artist known for his flowers, cola bottles, Marilyn Monroes, and Campbell soup cans.

Andy Warhol

4. Born in Hungary, he came to the U.S. and made the St. Louis Post-Dispatch a success and then built up the New York World as an instrument of the Democratic Party. Partially blind, he left funds to endow the graduate school of journalism at Columbia U. For 5 points, name this endower of prizes awarded in general nonfiction, biography, history, poetry, fiction, drama, and journalism.

Joseph Pulitzer

5. One way to make it is to move a wire back and forth in a magnetic field. Defined as the vibration of electrons in a circuit, it is used in most ordinary household circuits. For 5 points, what is it?

AC (alternating current)

6. In 1841, he went to sea on the whaler Acushnet, but jumped ship in the Marquesas Islands. He dated his life from his 25th year and produced most of his best work in the short period between 1846 and 1851, before spending the last three decades of his life in obscurity. For 5 points, name this author of Pierre, Billy Budd, Omoo, Typee, and Moby Dick.

Herman Melville

7. He believed the supreme ambition of the virtuous person to be the "intellectual love of God." Like his predecessor Descartes, he viewed the universe mathematically, but he did not accept the Cartesian dualism of mind and body and favored a form of pantheism instead. For 5 points, name this philosopher who was a member of the Sephardic Jewish community in Amsterdam.

Baruch Spinoza

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8. Roger Fry, Clive Bell, Leonard Woolf, Victoria Sackville-West, Lytton Strachey, E.M. Forster, John Maynard Keynes, and Virginia Woolf. For 5 points, to what London artist and intellectual group did all these figures belong?

Bloomsbury Group

9. Placed in an extremely strategic and geographically favorable position on top of a bluff, it was the subject of multiple efforts by Union forces to approach and attack it. General Grant was finally able to march his troops down the opposite bank of the river and ferry them across to a point just below the stronghold. For 5 points, name this fortress on the Mississippi River which finally fell to Grant's siege one day after Lee's defeat at Gettysburg.

Vicksburg

10. In 1962, Mr. Yarrow, Ms. Travers, and a comedian, Mr. Stookey got together in New York and began to sing, winning a Grammy the following year for their recording of Bob Dylan's "Blowin' in the Wind." For 5 points, name this folk-singing trio whose other recordings included "Puff the Magic Dragon" and "Leaving on a Jet Plane."

Peter, Paul, and Mary

11. Memoirs from the House of the Dead describe his prison life in Siberia, a punishment for his membership in a secret political group, and Notes from the Underground was a psychological study of an intellectual misfit. For 10 points, name this author of Poor Folk, A Raw Youth, The Possessed, The Idiot, and The Brothers Karamazov.

Fyodor Dostoevsky

12. Especially dangerous when the wind blows against it between high and low tide, it sweeps back and forth between two islands of the Lofoten group off the northwest coast of Norway. For 10 points, name this dangerous ocean current which has become a general term for any whirlpool or turmoil of widespread influence.

maelstrom

13. Discovered by William Gregor in 1791, it is a silver-white and very corrosion-resistant metal. Its dioxide form is used as a gemstone and as a white paint pigment. For 10 points, name this element found in rutile and widely used in the defense, aircraft and space industries.

titanium

14. The first ones were implemented way back in 1361, but the most prominent ones began in 1815 to maintain high prices and prevent an agricultural depression after the Napoleonic Wars. For 10 points, name these grain import taxes repealed by Prime Minister Robert Peel in 1846.

Corn Laws

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15. Begun in 1900, the tournament involves dual meets consisting of five matches, with teams playing either in the European, American, or Eastern zones. For 10 points, what is this International Lawn Tennis Championship named after the American player who donated the silver trophy?

Davis Cup

16. Found as two bundles of rods at right angles to each other, they consist of 9 groups of rods surrounding two central groups of rods. For 10 points, name these cellular organelles found only in animals which are believed to play a role in organizing nuclear division.

centrioles

17. Violet Beauregarde is a champion gum chewer, Veruca Salt is a spoiled little rich girl, Augustus Gloop is a gluttonous boy, and Mike Teavee is a TV-addict. For 10 points, in what children's classic by Roald Dahl will you find all these characters, along with the hero, Charlie Bucket?

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

18. Mostly populated by descendants of Tibetan settlers, it is closely tied to India: the official currency is the rupee, and its foreign affairs are handled by its big neighbor. For 10 points, name this country whose capital is Thimphu.

Bhutan

19. It was used by a Phrygian peasant who became king to tie the ox yoke to his chariot. For 10 points, name this problem whose solution enabled Alexander the Great to become ruler of all Asia.

Gordian knot

20. Edmund Waller and Sir John Suckling definitely were, but John Bunyan and John Milton definitely were not. Richard Lovelace and Robert Herrick definitely were, but Andrew Marvell was not. For 10 points, what gentlemanly group of 17th century English poets was this?

Cavalier poets

(the others all were Puritans who supported Parliament)

21. Famous for her role as the Dying Swan, she danced with the Ballet Russe for only a year, leaving as a result of her rivalry with Nijinsky. For 15 points, name this dancer, known for her classical technique and considered to be the greatest ballerina of all time.

Anna Pavlova

22. Having successfully sold pianos, sewing machines and cash registers, he became president of the Computer Tabulating Recording Company in 1914 and built it into the world's largest computer-making enterprise. For 15 points, name the founder of IBM who shares his name with a famous golfer.

Tom Watson

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23. Many individuals suffering from this disorder have "hyperstimulated" immune systems, which result in excess toxins in the blood, the probable cause of the tiredness and body aches which characterize the condition. For 15 points, name this mysterious long-lasting illness which often strikes young urban professionals.

yuppie flu or chronic fatigue syndrome

24. "Shine on you Crazy Diamond" is a song which was written in memory of a band member who gradually went insane after a long history of psychedelic drug abuse. For 15 points, name this former member of Pink Floyd.

Syd Barrett

25. He believed that reality consisted of the void and of indivisible particles of matter which he called atoms. For 15 points, name this Greek philosopher whose ideas were seminal in the development of the atomic theory.

Democritus

26. They were the priestly cast of Zoroastrianism and were reputed to have power over demons. For a quick and easy 15 points, name these wise men who appear from the East in the second chapter of Matthew.

Magi

27. A diplomat to many countries, he was the founder and leader of modernismo, a movement in Spanish and Latin American literature derived from the French Symbolists and Parnassians. Azul (Blue), a primary example of this style, was his collection of short stories and poems published in 1888 at age 21. For 15 points, name this Nicaraguan poet whose other works including The Wandering Song and Autumn Poem.

Ruben Dario

28. Jacopo was the first Renaissance artist of Venice. Gentile, his elder son, is famous for his use of chiaroscuro and for his large paintings of religious processions, now in the Venice Gallery. Giovanni, the younger son, painted such works as Saint Francis in Ecstasy and Feast of the Gods in a gentle style. For 15 points, name this family of Renaissance painters.

Bellini

29. One way to improve its rating is to use chemical reactions to make higher-energy branch-chain hydrocarbons from straight-chain forms. Another way is to add tetraethyl lead. For 15 points, identify these numbers or ratings used to indicate the smoothness or uniformity of burning a particular fuel, usually gasoline, inside a combustion engine.

octane

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30. When a pretender claiming to be Dmitri invaded Russia, this man died, and his son Feodor II was unable to defend the throne. Regent for Feodor I (the first son of Ivan IV) he reigned as czar from 1598 to 1605, but was undermined by distrust and famine. For 15 points, name this favorite of Ivan the Terrible and subject of an opera by Mussorgsky.

Boris Godunov