

Moderators: words are often clumped together!

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TOSS-UPS

1. The Jewish High Holy Days begin with the two-day observance of Rosh Hashanah and end with the observance of Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. FTP: if Rosh Hashanah begins at sunset on September 21, at sunset of what date does Yom Kippur begin?

SEPTEMBER 30 (9 days later)

2. During the Battle of the Bulge in December 1944, U.S. General Anthony McAuliffe and his troops were surrounded in Bastogne (bass-TONE), Belgium, by German forces. FTP --what was McAuliffe's one-word response when the Germans demanded surrender?

"NUTS!" (Note: The Germans were driven off eventually.)

3. Native Americans are denouncing the damage hikers and climbers are doing to this sacred Wyoming landmark. FTP, name this granite column that in 1906 became the focus of the first U.S. national monument.

DEVIL'S TOWER

4. FTP: what is the French term for treason when it is a crime against a royal sovereign?

LESE-MAJESTÉ (lez MAZH-us-tay)

5. A toss-up is just what this question might induce. FTP: what Scottish dish consists of the heart and lungs of a sheep or calf, mixed with beef fat, oatmeal and seasoning, and boiled in the animal's stomach?

HAGGIS (HAG-giss)

6. It was only in 1975 that the Vice President of the United States got an official residence. It's the former commanding officer's mansion at --FTP --what military installation on Massachusetts Avenue in Washington, D.C.?

The United States NAVAL OBSERVATORY

7. For a quick 10 points: in ancient Greece, Aeschylus wrote "Prometheus Bound"; what British poet, in 1818, wrote "Prometheus Unbound"?

Percy Bysshe SHELLEY

8. FTP: what do you call a distinguishing device appearing in translucent lines in the substance of a sheet of paper?

A WATERMARK

9. Like many traditions, this one is dying out, though it once was an absolute social requirement. FTP, what do you publish when you announce your intended marriage at church on three successive Sundays?

The BANNS(banz)

10. A native of Switzerland, he became America's leading race-car driver; in 1911, with William C. Durant, he designed and built the first automobile to bear his name. FTP, name this man whom Durant immortalized in a division of General Motors.

Louis CHEVROLET

11. Reportedly the inspiration came to Katharine Lee Bates as she enjoyed the marvelous view from Colorado's Pikes Peak. It was 1893, and the Wellesley College English professor wrote easily her most famous poem, now set to music. FTP, what is this patriotic hymn?

"AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL"

12. With Harold Gatty, he set a new speed record for round-the-world flights in 1931; then became the first to do that type of flight solo, in 1933. But he may be best remembered for dying with Will Rogers in an Alaskan crash in 1935. FTP, who was he?

Wiley POST

13. The 1994 edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica is dedicated to two heads of state. Predictably, one of them is Queen Elizabeth II. FAQTP, name the other.

President Bill CLINTON

14. For a quick 10 points: what was the major innovation at William Kemmler's execution at Auburn State Prison, N.Y., August 6, 1890?

It Was The First By ELECTROCUTION
(Accept: The ELECTRIC CHAIR)

15. Immediately after birth, drops of this substance are placed in the baby's eyes to prevent gonorrheal eye infection. FTP, what is this compound whose formula is AgNO_3 ?

SILVER NITRATE

16. A silversmith by trade, he developed the 85-character alphabet that made Cherokee a written language for the first time. With various spellings, an Oklahoma county and a national park in California are named for him. FTP, who was he?

SEQUOYA (Also SEQUOYAH; SEQUOIA)

17. The story had its genesis in Christopher Isherwood's 1939 short-story collection, "Goodbye to Berlin"; which led to John Van Druten's 1951 play, "I Am a Camera"; which led to the Kander & Ebb musical staged on Broadway in 1966 and filmed in 1972. FTP, what's the show?

"CABARET"

18. He received a commission to plan renovations for London's St. Paul's Cathedral, but when the Great Fire of 1666 occurred the job turned into a grand re-building. FTP, name this great British architect now entombed in St. Paul's.

Sir Christopher WREN

19. If it's a raincoat, you wear it; if it's an apple, you eat it; if the "a" in apple is capitalized, you put it to a different use. FTP, what is it?

A MACINTOSH

20. It's the Muslim fundamentalist group we're hearing the most about now, with its terrorist activities actually taking place within Israel. FTP, what is this group's name?

HAMAS (hah-MAHS)

21. The band of this name obviously knew its significance: they called one of their albums "Spread the Disease." FTP: what disease of mainly cattle and sheep was involved in Louis Pasteur's first great success in preventive medicine?

ANTHRAX

22. On March 4 of the year, Warren G. Harding was sworn in as President; on July 2, a joint resolution of Congress finally declared peace with Germany regarding World War I; and on

November 11, Harding dedicated the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery. FTP, what year?

1921

23. You get both a dye and a very expensive spice from this plant, which has purple flowers containing the orange-yellow stigmas that give the plant's name to their shade of color. FTP, name the plant.

SAFFRON

24. When Virginia O'Hanlon Douglas died in 1970 at the age of 81, her death made headlines because of something she did at the age of 8. FTP: her letter to New York Sun editor Francis P. Church prompted what immortal 1897 editorial?

"YES, VIRGINIA, THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS"

25. The piranha is easily identified by its teeth, and the origin of its name is fairly well recognizable as Portuguese. FTP, spell "piranha."

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BONUSES

1. 30-PT. BONUS

30-20-10. Identify this historic American city.

- (1) The second oldest college in the United States was established there in 1693.
- (2) Its restoration was a project closely associated with John D. Rockefeller, Jr.
- (3) It became the capital of colonial Virginia in 1699.

WILLIAMSBURG

2. 20-PT. BONUS

Two stables --William Woodward's Belair Stud and Warren Wright's Calumet Farm --each had the honor of two Triple Crown winners earlier in the century. For 5 points per answer:

- (1) Belair Stud's two winners, in 1930 and 1935, were sire and son. Their names?

GALLANT FOX, OMAHA

- (2) Calumet Farm's two winners, in 1941 and 1948, were unrelated, but both ridden by Eddie Arcaro. Their names?

WHIRLAWAY, CITATION

3. 30-PT. BONUS

When she died in 1964, the former Alma Schindler of Vienna was eulogized --perhaps envied --by many for her remarkable life. She had been the lover of many of the most creative men in Central Europe --and had married three of them. For 10 points each, identify the husbands as follows:

- (1) The Austrian conductor and composer of "Das Lied von der Erde" (UR-duh) and "Symphony for a Thousand."

Gustav MAHLER

- (2) The German-American architect who founded the Bauhaus (BOU-house) school and

style of architecture.

Walter GROPIUS

- (3) The Austrian novelist whose best-known work in America probably is "The Song of Bernadette"?

Franz WERFEL (VAIR-full)

4. **20-PT. BONUS**

Its formula is HgS, and technically it is red sulfide of mercury. As the principal ore of mercury, it's known by a name reflective of its color. For 20 points, what's the name?

CINNABAR

5. **30-PT. BONUS**

There are many languages spoken in the Indian subcontinent, but the most widely spoken one exists in two distinct forms. For 10 points each:

- (1) What is this language called when written in the Devanagari (deh-VAH-nuh-GAHR-ree) script as India's official language?

HINDI

- (2) What is the name of this language when written in a modified Arabic script as the official language of Pakistan?

URDU

- (3) ~~What is the one-word common name for the two forms of this language?~~

~~HINDUSTANI~~

Inaccurate

6. **20-PT. BONUS**

Lord Alfred Douglas was 22 in 1892 when he got into big trouble for having a boyfriend. For 10 points each:

- (1) What 37-year-old Irish-born poet and playwright paid dearly -- with jail time -- for this and other "immoral" relationships?

Oscar WILDE

- (2) What aristocratic sportsman and codifier of the rules of boxing was Lord Alfred's "macho" father?

The 8th MARQUIS OF QUEENSBERRY
(Accept: JOHN SHOLTO DOUGLAS)

7. **30-PT. BONUS**

Manitoulin (man-ih-TOO-lin) Island is the largest island in the world within a body of fresh water.

- (1) For 5 points, in which of the five Great Lakes will you find this island?

Lake HURON

- (2) For 10 points, of what Canadian province is it a part?

ONTARIO

- (3) For 15 points, what arm of Lake Huron is virtually cut off from the lake by Manitoulin and the Bruce Peninsula?

GEORGIAN BAY

8. **25-PT. BONUS**

Originally it defined a monument to a deceased person buried elsewhere or whose body could not be recovered. It has come to mean a monument to war dead, and perhaps the most famous one is in London. For 25 points, what is this three-syllable word?

CENOTAPH (SEN-oh-taf)

9. **20-PT. BONUS**

The forerunners of chemists, though they turned out to be wrong, were not totally illogical. They had observed chemical changes and reasoned that ultimately a metal could be converted into one more valuable. For 10 points each:

- (1) What was the name for this pseudo-science of the Middle Ages?

ALCHEMY

- (2) What did alchemists call the substance they were seeking that would change base metals into gold?

The PHILOSOPHER'S STONE

10. **30-PT. BONUS**

Although most of Shakespeare's plays have title characters, a few titles describe these characters without using given names. For 10 points per answer:

- (1) What are the first names of "The Two Gentlemen of Verona"?

VALENTINE and PROTEUS

- (2) What is the first name of "The Merchant of Venice"?

ANTONIO

11. **20-PT. BONUS**

Coral reefs are formed when the discarded limestone skeletons of small marine invertebrates (in-VUR-tuh-brates) are cemented by algae. For 10 points each, identify these types of coral reefs.

- (1) A reef extending along a mainland shore.

A FRINGING Reef

- (2) A reef located offshore from the mainland.

A BARRIER Reef

12. **30-PT. BONUS**

Among film directors, the man whose hand guided "M*A*S*H," "Nashville," and "The Player" is considered a genius by some and unconventional by virtually all. For 10 points each:

- (1) Name this director.

Robert ALTMAN

- (2) Name his fall 1994 film set in the Paris fashion industry.

"PRET-A-PORTÉ" (pret-uh-por-TAY)

- (3) According to that industry, what is the three-word English translation of "Pret-a-Porté"?

READY TO WEAR

13. **20-PT. BONUS**

Perhaps the best-known aspect of this religion is its strict doctrine of non-injury. Monks carry brooms to sweep insects from their path; they wear veils to sift insects from their mouths; and they may not disturb insects feeding upon their bodies. For 20 points, name this faith concentrated in north-western India.

JAINISM

14. **30-PT. BONUS**

Greece's Aegean Sea islands are favored not only by romantics, but by archaeologists.

- (1) For 15 points: on what northern Aegean island was the statue "Winged Victory" discovered in 1875?

SAMOTHRACE (SAM-oh-thrayce)

- (2) For 10 points: what Greek goddess of victory does "Winged Victory" represent?

NIKE (As in the shoe)

- (3) For 5 points: in what museum does "Winged Victory" now reside?

The LOUVRE (In Paris)

15. **20-PT. BONUS**

It is well known that there were two very successful men named Oliver Wendell Holmes -- father and son. For 5 points each: identify these events in life as applying to Holmes senior or junior. Which one:

- (1) Was the U.S. Supreme Court justice?

JUNIOR

- (2) Was on the Harvard faculty for 35 years?

SENIOR

- (3) Was a poet in addition to his chosen profession?

SENIOR

- (4) Was wounded three times in the Civil War?

JUNIOR

16. **30-PT. BONUS**

In South America a number of major cities lie just far enough inland to be removed from the ports that serve them. For 10 points each, name the city served by the port:

- (1) La Guaira (lah GWY-ruh)

↑
Major

CARACAS, Venezuela

- (2) Callao (kah-YAH-oh)

LIMA, Peru

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(3) Santos

SAO PAULO, Brazil

17. **30-PT. BONUS**

This art form originated in the Byzantine Empire and eventually became more associated with China. It involves the fusing of heated enamel to metal surfaces and then polishing it into smooth patterns. For 30 points, name it. ~~200~~

CLOISONNÉ (klwah-zun-NAY)

18. **20-PT. BONUS**

You're almost certainly familiar with badminton. But for 10 points each, are you familiar with these three-syllable words associated with the game?

(1) What's the light racket used in badminton?

A BATTLEDORE

(2) What's the real name for the "birdie" -- the feathered cork?

A SHUTTLECOCK

19. **25-PT. BONUS**

This Washington, D.C. estate is impressive, as indicated by the fact that the house has one address and its spectacular gardens another. It is also an historic landmark because of the 1944 conference there that laid the groundwork for the eventual establishment of the United Nations. For 25 points, name the estate.

DUMBARTON OAKS (Not Dumbarton House)

20. **20-PT. BONUS**

Choices, choices! For 10 points each:

(1) Is New Zealand named for the province of Zealand in the Netherlands or the one in Denmark?

The NETHERLANDS (Explorer Abel Tasman was Dutch)

(2) At Niagara Falls, when going over them in a barrel: which falls -- the Horseshoe or the American -- must you choose to have any chance of survival? ~~200~~

The HORSESHOE Falls (The bottom of the American Falls is almost entirely jagged rocks)

21. **25-PT. BONUS**

An Armenian by birth, this Soviet composer was said to have been irritated that he was known for only one of his works --the Sabre Dance that appeared in his ballet "Gayne" in 1942 and in the movie "One, Two, Three" in 1961. For 25 points, name him.

Aram Ilich KHACHATURIAN

22. **20-PT. BONUS**

The comic cat "Garfield" is now 16; how long does cartoonist Jim Davis expect to keep celebrating feline birthdays? No, that's not your question --here are four of them, for 5 points each:

(1) What's the first name of Garfield's owner?

JON

(2) Who's the slobbering dog that lives with them?

ODIE

(3) Who's Garfield's girlfriend?

ARLENE

(4) What's the name of "the world's cutest kitten," who drops by now and then?

NERMAL