

Anonymous (and deservedly so - yuck!)

### Toss-ups

1. Just as the OJ Simpson murder trial ended this month, another high-profile murder trial began in Houston, Texas. Prosecutors there are claiming that Yolanda Saldivar (SAL-dee-vaar) killed this rising Tejano (te-HA-no) music star. For 10 points, name this singer whose first English album was released after her death.

ANSWER: Selena (may also accept Selena Quintanilla (keen-ta-NEE-ya))

2. The Egyptians had hieroglyphics, but this ancient civilization developed a system of writing called cuneiform (kyu-NAY-ih-form). For 10 points, name this civilization, located in what is known as the Fertile Crescent.

ANSWER: Accept ANY ONE of the following:

Sumer  
Sumerian  
Sumerians  
Babylonia  
Babylonian  
Babylonians

DO NOT accept:

Sumeria  
Babylon

3. In electrical circuits, the letter "V" denotes voltage, and the letter "R" denotes resistance. The letter tlv (teyev), however, refers to an electrical phenomenon whose name does not even contain the letter tlv. For 10 points, name this electrical concept, thought of as the motion of electrical charge.

ANSWER: Current

4. 1995 was the first year the Seattle Mariners baseball club made it to the post-season. While Ken Griffey, Jr. and Edgar Martinez provide much of the team's offensive muscle, their star pitcher has also performed brilliantly. For 10 points, who is this pitcher, also known as "The Big Unit"?

ANSWER: Randy Johnson

5. His first success came in 1910 when he composed the music for the ballet "The Fire Bird". Later, his music was more neoclassical in nature. For 10 points, who is this Russian-born composer, whose other works included "The Rite of Spring" and "The RakeFs Progress"?

ANSWER: Igor Stravinsky

6. Which heavenly body was called Artemis and Selene by the Greeks and Luna by the Romans?

ANSWER: Moon

7. Name the company which is the largest supplier of blank T-shirts in the US.

ANSWER: Fruit of the Loom, Inc.

8. In 1994, what percentage of the human population lived in urban areas (within 10 percent)?

ANSWER: 43% (Accept any answer between 33% and 53%)

9. What was the policy making body of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union called?

ANSWER: Politburo

10. This injury to the cervical spine is caused by sudden forceful motion of the neck. For 10 points, name it.

ANSWER: Whiplash

11. He was the first Fashion designer to receive 3 consecutive Coty awards and was recently in the news for featuring advertisements which several people found objectionable. For 10 points, name him.

ANSWER: Calvin Klein

12. The groundbreaking Dictionary of the English Language was written by Samuel Johnson. Who wrote a famous biography of Johnson?

ANSWER: James Boswell

13. Beethoven's third symphony is known as the "Eroica." For 10 points, for whom did Beethoven compose it?

ANSWER: Napoleon Bonaparte

14. You are strolling along the Indus river in the city of Hyderabad (HIGH-druh-baad) admiring some mosques. For 10 points, in what Asian nation are you located?

ANSWER: Pakistan

15. Julius Caesar marched his army into Rome in defiance of law. Now an expression for a decisive and irreversible step, for 10 points, name the river he crossed.

ANSWER: The Rubicon

16. President Bill Clinton nominated Bobby Ray Inman to succeed Les Aspin as Secretary of Defense. Inman soon bowed out, however, blaming among other things, the criticism of what editorial writer for the New York Times?

ANSWER: William Safire

17. This song hit number one for three weeks in 1984 and was undoubtedly the group Falco's biggest hit. For 10 points name this song on their album named "Three".

ANSWER: Amadeus, or Rock Me Amadeus

18. I have many uses, and depending on which model of me you have, you can cut, remove bottle corks, open cans, remove bottle caps, file, saw, magnify, and probably a lot of other things. For 10 points, what am I?

ANSWER: Swiss Army Knife, or pocketknife

19. What is the name of this, the most successful gourmet coffee shop chain, named for a character in Moby Dick?

ANSWER: Starbuck's, or Starbucks Coffee Company

20. Boeing's new 777 commercial airliner is unique in that it was designed almost exclusively by computers. What brand of computers did Boeing use?

ANSWER: Silicon Graphics

21. In the recent movie Pulp Fiction, Samuel Jackson's character Jules quotes a passage from the Bible when about to execute someone. Where does Jules say this passage is from in the Bible?

ANSWER: Ezekiel [Eee-zee-kee-el] 25:17. If Ezekiel given, prompt for more information

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1. (20 Points; 5 points per answer)

If you frequently browse the World Wide Web, you undoubtedly know that Web pages have addresses beginning with the letters thttpv. For 5 points per word, what four words make up this acronym?

ANSWER: Hyper Text Transfer Protocol

2. (25 Points; 5 points per answer)

For 5 points each, state the city given its tallest building:

- (1) Xerox Tower

ANSWER: Rochester, New York

- (2) Texas Commerce Tower

ANSWER: Houston

- (3) Transamerica Pyramid

ANSWER: San Francisco

- (4) Latter Day Saints Church Office Building

ANSWER: Salt Lake City

- (5) John Hancock Tower

ANSWER: Boston

3. (30 Points; 10 points per answer)

The vast majority of official languages in European nations belong to the Indo-European family of languages. However, three official languages in European nations belong to what is known as the Finno-Ugric (FIN-oh OO-grik) family, which is substantially different from the Indo-European family. For 10 points each, name these three official languages of the Finno-Ugric family.

ANSWERS: Finnish  
Estonian  
Hungarian

4. (20 Points; 5 points per answer)

Within one year, name the year each in which each of the following four movies won the Oscar for Best Picture (5 points per answer):

- (1) The Sound of Music

ANSWER: 1965 (Accept 1964 or 1966)

(2) From Here to Eternity

ANSWER: 1953 (Accept 1952 or 1954)

(3) West Side Story

ANSWER: 1961 (Accept 1960 or 1962)

(4) Kramer vs. Kramer

ANSWER: 1979 (Accept 1978 or 1980)

5. (30 Points; 10 points per answer)

In each of the following pairs of food servings, give the one which has more calories:

(1) One tablespoon of mayonnaise or one tablespoon of olive oil

ANSWER: One tablespoon of olive oil (125 calories vs. 100 calories for mayonnaise)

(2) One 2-5/8 inch diameter orange or one 2-3/4 inch diameter apple

ANSWER: One apple (80 calories vs. 60 calories for the orange)

(3) One cup of seedless raisins or cup of cottage cheese:

ANSWER: One cup up seedless raisins (435 calories vs. 215 calories for cottage cheese)

6. (20 Points; 10 points per answer)

For 10 points each, name the only 2 egg laying-mammals in the world.

ANSWERS: Platypus  
Echidna (ih-KID-nuh)

7. (30 Points; 10 points per answer)

Who are the three internationally acclaimed directors who have been awarded the Legion of Honour by the French Government (10 points per answer).

ANSWERS: Akiro Kurosawa  
Satyajit Ray  
Orson Welles

8. (20 Points; 10 points per answer)

North America has no landlocked countries, whereas South America has two. Name them for 10 points apiece.

ANSWERS: Bolivia  
Paraguay

9. (20 Points; 5 points per answer)

Note the following heavenly objects: Sirius B (the companion star of Sirius), Betelgeuse, the celestial body within the Crab Nebula, Procyon, Jupiter, Rigel. For 5 points per answer, which of these is:

(1) A mature star?

ANSWER: Procyon

(2) A Red Giant?

ANSWER: Betelgeuse

(3) A Neutron star or Pulsar?

ANSWER: the celestial body in the Crab Nebula

(4) A White Dwarf?

ANSWER: Sirius B

10. (20 Points; 10 points per answer)

On this scale of hardness, diamond rates a 10 and Talc a 1. For 10 points, what is this scale of hardness and for an additional 10 points, what physical observation is it based on?

ANSWERS: Mohs' scale of hardness  
Based on scratching (If some object can scratch Talc then it's rating is greater than 1 etc.)

11. (25 Points; 5 points per answer)

For 5 points apiece rank the following 5 nations in decreasing order of beer consumption per capita: Slovakia, Ireland, Czech republic, Germany, US.

ANSWERS: 1. Czech Republic  
2. Germany  
3. Ireland  
4. Slovakia  
5. US

12. (25 Points; 10 points for first answer, 5 points each for next 3 answers)

For 10 points who is regarded as the father of modern Olympics and, for 5 points per word, give the three words and/or meaning of the words in the Olympic Motto.

ANSWERS: 1 Baron Pierre de Coubertin  
2. Citius, Altius, Fortius AND/OR Faster, Higher, Stronger

13. (30 Points after first clue, 20 after second, 10 after third)

Identify this author for 30 points after the first clue, 20 points after the second clue, or 10 points

after the third clue.

FIRST CLUE: His first novel was Grimus

SECOND CLUE: He was recently awarded the Booker of Bookers prize (best book amongst all the books which have won the Booker prize).

THIRD CLUE: He has been in hiding since 1989, since Ayatollah Khomeini placed a Fatwa (FAHT-wuh) on him for his book The Satanic Verses.(10)

ANSWER: Salman Rushdie

14. (25 Points; 5 points per answer)

For five points each, name the musical conductor to whom the clue refers.

(1) He conducted the 1990 and 1994 tThree Tenorsv concerts held in conjunction with the World Cup of soccer.

ANSWER: Zubin Mehta

(2) He was director of the Boston Pops Orchestra for almost 50 years and made popular recordings of marches.

ANSWER: Arthur Fiedler

(3) He is the current (1995) music director of the National Symphony Orchestra.

ANSWER: Mstislav Rostropovich

(4) He will succeed Rostropovich in conducting the National Symphony Orchestra?.

ANSWER: Leonard Slatkin

(5) Famous for conducting tEine Kleine Nachtmusik,v he leads the Houston Symphony Orchestra.

ANSWER: Christoph Eschenbach

15. (20 Points; 5 points per answer)

Given its current (1995) governor, identify the state for 5 points each.

(1) George Pataki

ANSWER: New York

(2) Jim Guy Tucker

ANSWER: Arkansas

(3) John Kitzhaber

ANSWER: Oregon

(4) Roy Romer

ANSWER: Colorado

16. (30 Points; 10 points per answer)

For ten points each, name the religion in which these deities are found:

(1) Shiva and Vishnu

ANSWER: Hinduism

(2) Ahura Mazda and Ahriman

ANSWER: Zoroastrianism

(3) Seth and Isis  
ANSWER: Ancient Egyptian

17. (20 Points; 10 points per answer)  
Myrlie Evers Williams is president of the NAACP. Her husband was killed in 1963. For ten points, each name him and the white supremacist who was convicted in 1994 of his murder.  
ANSWERS: MEDGAR Evers  
Byron De La Beckwith

18. (30 Points after first clue, 20 after second, 10 after third)

Identify this funny-sounding one-syllable term after the first clue for thirty points, after two for twenty or after all three for ten.

FIRST CLUE: A soft creamy acid-cured cheese of central Europe made from whole milk.

SECOND CLUE: Three of them were asked for tMuster Markv in James JoyceFs Finnegans Wake.

THIRD CLUE: They are subatomic particles with fractional charges and may be up, down, top, bottom, strange or charmed.

ANSWER: Quarks

19. (25 Points; 5 points per answer)

For 5 points each and a total of 25 pts, name 5 of the ingredients in PepsiCola.

ANSWERS: Carbonated water  
High Fructose Corn Syrup  
Sugar  
Caramel Color  
Phosphoric acid  
Caffeine  
Citric acid  
Natural flavors

20. (30 Points; 10 points per answer)

The letters ATM are very important to someone looking to make a cash withdrawal. For 10 points each and a total of 30 points, what do these letters stand for?

ANSWER: Automatic [automated] Teller Machine

21. (30 Points after first clue, 20 after second, 10 after third)

Name this artist and album for 30 points if you get it on the first clue, 20 on the second, and 10 on the third, based on the songs which appear on it,:

FIRST CLUE: I don't sleep, I dream

SECOND CLUE: Strange Currencies

THIRD CLUE: What's the Frequency, Kenneth?

ANSWERS: Artist: REM  
Album: "Monster"