

Tossups by Beavis and Butthead, 1995 Questions on the Crum

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In January 1993, Attorney General William Barr detailed a list of this man's unethical practices which included personal use of government aircraft and spending \$10,000 of bureau funds to build a fence around his home. FTP name this man replaced by Louis Freeh as FBI Director.

A: William SESSIONS

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During World War II, he served in Southeast Asia, and later he convinced President Truman to send American troops to Vietnam. FTP, name this statesman, who as Secretary of State advised Kennedy to act aggressively in the Cuban Missile Crisis.

A: Dean RUSK

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She first attempted to dramatize biblical stories in 1926 with the play *The First One*. She later wrote *The Sanctified Church* and *Their Eyes Were Watching God*. FTP, name this woman, a prolific writer of the Harlem Renaissance.

A: Zora Neale HURSTON

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A practitioner of "scat singing", in the 1930's, his band and Duke Ellington's were the top attractions at The Cotton Club, and he made a cameo appearance in the movie *The Blues Brothers*. FTP, name this performer, whose signature song was "Minnie the Moocher".

A: Cabell "Cab" CALLOWAY the Third

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Two soldiers wager on their sweethearts' fidelity, and then woo them while disguised as Albanians. Thus goes the plot in, FTP, what opera, with libretto by Lorenzo da Ponte and music by Mozart, whose title means "everybody does it."

A: COSI FAN TUTTE

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Rampant pesticide use was endangering bird species, eventually resulting in the elimination of songbirds. This apocalyptic vision was crafted by, FTP, what naturalist, who warned that DDT was also poisoning humans in her seminal work *Silent Spring*.

A: Rachel CARSON

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Vice admiral under Drake in West Indian Expedition, he visited Labrador and South Baffin Island while commanding expedition in search of the Northwest passage. FTP, name this English navigator, who has a Bay named after him.

A: Sir Martin FROBISHER

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Police detective Porfiry Petrovich hounds a St. Petersburg student who has killed an old pawnbroker. After confessing, Rodion Raskolnikov is sentenced to prison in Siberia, where he finds peace with the devoted Sonia. FTP, this is the plot of what novel by Fyodor Dostoevsky?

A: CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

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In August 1995, Suha Tawil is expecting the first biological child of her and her Nobel laureate husband. FTP, name Tawil's husband, who earlier adopted fifty Palestinian war orphans, and is now trying to keep the peace with Israel.

A: Yasser ARAFAT

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Both commanders, Wolfe for the British and Montcalm for the French, died in this 1759 battle. FTP, name this battle of the French and Indians War, fought on the Plains of Abraham, which won the capital of New France for the British

A: Battle of QUEBEC (accept Battle of the PLAINS OF ABRAHAM on an early buzz)

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The brainchild of economist Andrew Zimbalist, agent Dick Moss, and politicians John Bryant and Bob Mrazek, they hope to begin play in ten cities in 1996. FTP, name this new sports entity, a proposed third baseball major league.

A: UNITED BASEBALL LEAGUE or UBL

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Caius Marcius defeats the Volsces, and is elected Consul of Rome, but is banished for making condescending remarks to the plebeians. In response, he joins the Volsces in an attack on Rome, but repents after a visit from his wife and mother. Thus goes the plot in, FTP, what Shakespeare tragedy.

A: CORIOLANUS

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Its supreme leader is called the Marja Ala, and a new one will be picked in 1995 to succeed the deceased Ali Araki. FTP, name this sect, founded by Muhammed's nephew, constituting roughly ten percent of the worlds Muslims.

A: SHI'A or SHI'ITES or SHI'ISM

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It handles floating point operations with incredible speed, but a design flaw can cause infrequent division errors.

FTP, name this technological marvel, whose main bug Intel conceded in November 1994.

A: the PENTIUM chip or micro-processor

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The name of this group is derived from a Roman general who won his way against Hannibal by wariness, not by violence, by caution, not by defiance. FTP, name this 19th century association of Socialists which included George Bernard Shaw and Sidney Webb.

A: FABIAN society

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His 1994 book, *All the Trouble in the World*, pokes fun at such liberal causes as overpopulation and the environment. FTP, name this former writer for National Lampoon, the author of *Give War a Chance* and *Parliament of Whores*.

A: Patrick Jake O'ROURKE

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His upcoming autobiography, subtitled *Pasta, Potholes, and Politics*, takes shots at fellow New Yorkers Mario Cuomo and Rudy Giuliani. FTP, name this Senator, expected to seek vigorous Whitewater hearings as the new Chair of the Senate Banking Committee.

A: Alphonse D'AMATO

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Under the patronage of the Earl of Carnarvon, this noted Egyptologist discovered the tombs of Hatshpsut and Thutmose IV. However, he's best-known for finding the tomb of the previously-obscure Tutankhamen in 1922. FTP, name this British archaeologist.

A: Howard CARTER

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With Imogene Cunningham, Edward Weston and others, he founded the influential group, F/64. FTP, name this US photographer known for his poetic black and white landscape photographs of the Old West.

A: Ansel ADAMS

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In 1994, the Japanese Foreign Ministry formally apologized for a diplomatic memo delivered one hour late fifty-three years earlier. This memo, formally broke diplomatic ties to the US, was to be delivered before, FTP, what infamous attack on December 7, 1941.

A: PEARL HARBOR

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In 1994 she was bounced in the first round of the Virginia Slims by eventual winner Gabriella Sabatini. FTP, name this athlete, winner of a record 167 titles and eighteen Grand Slam events, who dominated women's tennis in the 1980's.

A: Martina NAVRATILOVA (nav-RAH-tih-loh-vah)

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After a Novemeber 1994 agreement, black-owned NDI, Inc. will operate forty-seven franchises, the biggest step yet in boosting minority ownership in, FTP, what restaurant chain, socked by lawsuits in 1993 alleging discrimination against black customers.

A: DENNY'S

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Seven US congressmen and various officials were convicted of bribery, conspiracy and related charges, after FBI agents impersonating an Arab Sheik and his associates videotaped them accepting bribes. FTP, name this investigation conducted in 1978-1980.

A: ABSCAM

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In 1989, the deadly Ebola virus travels from Africa to a monkey colony near Washington, DC, and the Army's Infectious Disease unit is called to seal the site. This true story is related by Richard Preston in, FTP, what 1994 book.

A: The HOT ZONE

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Their CD jacket contains the top 19 reasons for legalizing marijuana. FTP name this multiracial rap group from Los Angeles, who's hits include "Legalize It", "Hits from the Bong" and "I Wanna Get High" from their album *Black Sunday*.

A: CYPRESS HILL

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Good Bones and Simple Murders, a collection of short stories, is her latest book. She's also published novels such as *Cat's Eye* and *The Robber Bride*. FTP, name this author, best-known for the futuristic novel *The Handmaid's Tale*.

A: Margaret ATWOOD

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After a November 1994 exposé, Ingvar Kamprad disclaimed his revealed Nazi past as youthful folly. Kamprad hopes this revelation won't harm the sales of, FTP, what company, a furniture maker he founded in his native Sweden.

A: IKEA (eye-KEE-uh)