

Tossups by Delaware, 1995 Questions on the Crum

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Victory in this 1904-1905 Asian war, ended by the Treaty of Portsmouth, allowed the conquering nation to dominate Korea and Manchuria. FTP, name this conflict whose mediation brought Theodore Roosevelt the 1906 Nobel Peace Prize.

A: RUSSO-JAPANESE War

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He was born in London in 1572 and was ordained an Anglican priest in 1615. Among his poems are "The Ecstasy", "The Bait", and "Valediction: Forbidden Mourning". FTP, name this metaphysical poet who wrote "The Flea".

A: John DONNE

3

He postulated four approximate major periods of development through which the human intellect evolves: the sensorimotor, the pre-operational, the concrete operational, and the formal operational. FTP, name this French-born psychologist whose work continues to define educational psychology.

A: Jean PIAGET

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This Roman Catholic saint is now thought to have never really existed; nonetheless, he is considered the patron saint of travelers. FTP, name this popular figure who is often pictured on medals carrying the infant Jesus on his back.

A: Saint CHRISTOPHER

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It is the name of the arm of the Milky Way galaxy which contains Earth. It is also the name of the ninth sign of the Zodiac. FTP, give this name, from the Latin for "archer."

A: SAGITTARIUS

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It was the site of the slaughter of Indians during the Westward expansion of the United States and in 1973 it was held for 69 days by Indians demanding reform. FTP, name this South Dakota creek.

A: WOUNDED KNEE

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"Sparks," "Sally Simpson," "Amazing Journey," "I'm Free," "The Pinball Wizard." All of these songs are in a rock opera that tells the story of a boy made deaf, blind, and dumb by the murder of his mother's lover. FTP, name this Pete Townsend work.

A: TOMMY

8

During the Renaissance, this word meant the study of the classics, but it has gradually come to mean the school of philosophy that Classical Renaissance scholars adhered to. FTP, name this philosophy that was a reaction to church scholasticism.

A: HUMANISM

9

Her latest book continues the story of a race of beautiful and practically immortal giants, one of whom is living in New York City and looking for love. She has been in the press most recently, however, not for her book but for her change of heart about the casting of Tom Cruise as the lead in a movie based on an earlier work. FTP, name this author of *Interview with the Vampire*.

A: Anne RICE

10

Chemist Roy Plunkett discovered this material when his Freon experiment went awry in 1938. His gas cylinder showed no pressure, but had not lost any mass. He cut open the cylinder to find a slippery white polymer. FTP name this material that made Dupont wealthy and cooks pleased when it was used to make surfaces non-stick.

A: TEFLON or POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE

11

After Jason's completion of his voyage with the Argonauts, Jason brought something back to Corinth that wasn't the Golden Fleece. FTP, name this princess of Colchis who betrayed her people for the love of Jason and aided him in his quest for the Golden Fleece.

A: MEDEA

12

His first symphony was created over the course of 20 years and was nicknamed "Beethoven's Tenth". FTP, name this German Romantic composer most famous for his "Lullaby".

A: Johannes BRAHMS

13

This team lost the World Series in 1907, 1908, 1909, 1934, and 1940. However, this American league team won in 1935, 1945, 1968, and 1984. FTP, name this Midwestern team that plays in one of baseball's oldest stadiums.

A: DETROIT TIGERS (accept either word)

14

The collagen produced in the absence of this vitamin is insufficiently hydroxylated and hence has a lower melting temperature. Skin lesions and blood vessel fragility are symptoms of the disease caused by the deficiency of this vitamin. That disease is commonly known as scurvy. FTP, what is the more common name of ascorbic acid?

A: Vitamin C (prompt on Ascorbic Acid on an early ring in)

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She characterized the differing philosophies between her friend and herself as follows: "[His] definition of human is the one who drinks, forgets, is irresponsible, unfaithful, fallible. Mine is the one who is aware of the feelings of other human beings." Her friend was renowned writer Henry Miller. FTP, who was this famous diarist?

A: Anais NIN

16

In Sanskrit, its name means "conducive to well-being", and it was considered to represent the sun's motion across the sky. Early Christians disguised the cross as this symbol to avoid persecution. Ironically, it has since become inextricably linked with one of history's most horrible persecutions. FTP, name this Nazi symbol of Aryan superiority.

A: SWASTIKA

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FAQTP, what is the numerical value of e raised to the power of i pi?

A: -1

18

Begun in 1857 by the English Philological Society and finally published in 1928, the complete work consisted of twelve bound volumes and contained 414,825 words. FTP, give the full name of this exhaustive work of the English language.

A: The OXFORD ENGLISH DICTIONARY

19

She was a writer of the Enlightenment and among her works is *Thoughts on the Education of Daughters*, no doubt inspired by her experience in running a school for girls. FTP, name this author whose best known work is *A Vindication of the Rights of Women*.

A: Mary WOLLSTONECRAFT

20

He was governor of Minnesota from 1938 to 1945, and he tried unsuccessfully to win the Republican nomination for President of the United States only three times -- in 1948, 1964 and 1968 -- although popular legend has him running in every presidential election of the latter half of this century. FTP, name this so-called "perennial candidate."

A: Harold STASSEN

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Igor Stravinsky based his last neoclassical work, a three-act opera, on an eight-part series of satirical engravings by William Hogarth. FTP, what is the name shared by the opera and the series which warns about the dangers of a life of vice?

A: The RAKE'S PROGRESS

22

In Russia, it was January 9, 1905, and occurred when a workers' march on the czar's Winter Palace was cut down by Cossacks. In Ireland it was January 30, 1972, and occurred when British soldiers shot and killed 13 Catholics in Londonderry, Northern Ireland during a parade. FTP, what is the common name by which both of these days are now remembered?

A: BLOODY SUNDAY

23

It was the first book by a woman to win the Pulitzer Prize for fiction, in 1921, and was recently made into a movie by Martin Scorsese. FTP, name this Edith Wharton work.

A: The AGE OF INNOCENCE

24

Large cities in this country include Medan and Surabaya and its unit of currency is the rupiah. Its chief crops are rice, sugar, and coffee, and its leader has been in power since 1967. FTP, name this island country which is home to

more Moslem than any other nation.

A: INDONESIA

25

Warning: first and last names required. This character of Jack Kerouac told a story of driving back and forth across America with his buddy Dean Moriarty while forever wiring his aunt for money. FTP, name the narrator of *On the Road*.

A: SAL PARADISE

26

Coining the term "cognitive elite", Charles Murray and the late Richard Herrnstein argue that genetic intelligence determines who has the money and power in society. FTP, in what recently published book do they make this controversial argument?

A: The BELL CURVE