

Tossups for 1996 Wahoo War of the Minds Round 6

1. He had a meteoric rise in the art world, becoming editor of The Yellow Book, an avant garde journal, at the age of 22. He illustrated Volpone, Lysistrata, and The Rape of the Lock in his well-known style inspired by Japanese prints, James McNeill Whistler, and 15th century Italian prints. FTP, name this art nouveau master who died at the age of 25.

Answer: Aubrey Beardsley

2. They are microscopic aquatic or semiterrestrial tubelike worms. Females are rarely seen, and the eggs develop by parthenogenesis. Also known as wheel animacules, these minute animals have a conspicuous circlet of cilia surrounding their mouths that beat in a swirling motion. This gave the impression of a wheel, giving them their name, Greek for "wheel carrier." FTP, name these animals.

Answer: Rotifers or Rotifera

3. He took the crown only after his brother Constantine refused it. With uncertainty over succession, the Decembrist revolt arose in 1825. Asserting his authority, he quashed it and set the tone for his rigid, reactionary regime. His determination to maintain order led to the censorship of such authors as Aleksandr Pushkin. FTP, name this Russian czar who died in 1855 during the Crimean War.

Answer: Nicholas I of Russia

4. Urged by his father to become a lawyer, this composer as a child had to play secretly on a small clavichord smuggled into the attic. Later on, he held a position as an organist in his hometown of Halle, worked with Johann Matteson in Hamburg, and toured in Italy before finally settling down in London. His best-known work was composed there in 1741 to benefit Dublin charities. FTP, name this composer of The Messiah.

Answer: George Frideric Handel

5. After abandoning his poetic career, he became a gunrunner and trader in Africa. His poetry, including "The Drunken Boat" and "The Sonnet of the Vowels," helped introduce free verse and was a precursor to Surrealism. FTP, name this French Symbolist, best known for "A Season in Hell," whose affair with Paul Verlaine is chronicled in the film Total Eclipse.

Answer: Arthur Rimbaud

6. He accompanied Lincoln to Washington as private secretary. He was an accomplished author of such works as the novel The Breadwinners and a collection of poems, Pike County Ballads. However, he is better known as the man who served as Secretary of State from 1898 till his death in 1905. FTP, name this man, responsible for the Open Door Policy and several treaties which bear his name.

Answer: John Hay

7. The members of this group were all Cambridge educated and devoted followers of the philosopher G.E. Moore. They were frequently joined at their Thursday evenings by such Cambridge luminaries as Bertrand Russell and Rupert Brooke. Members included the artists Vanessa and Clive Bell, the economist John Maynard Keynes, and writers such as E.M. Forster and Virginia Woolf. FTP, name his group named for the section of London in which they met.

Answer: The Bloomsbury Group

8. Despite the pleadings of his aged mother, he wanders the world trafficking in slaves, rum, and religion. Abandoning his love Solveig, he marries and deserts the Troll King's daughter. Along the way he faces the Great Boyg, who wants to eat him, and the Button Molder, who wishes to melt him down and recast him. FTP, name this Ibsen title.

Answer: Peer Gynt

9. He studied in Honolulu and Hong Kong, and in 1892 he completed a course in western medicine. In 1895 in Canton, he attempted the first of ten unsuccessful revolutions. Over the next eleven years he travelled around China and recruited followers. In 1911, while in the U.S., revolutionaries in Hankow began a revolt which ended with the overthrow of the Manchu dynasty. FTP, name this man who returned to a hero's welcome, and was immediately elected president of the Chinese Republic.

Answer: Sun Yat-sen

10. By some accounts the daughter of Niord and Skadi, this Norse goddess was married to Odur. When Odur once wandered off for too long, she grieved and set off after him, shedding many tears which became gold. She also had a recurring problem of being abducted by giants. With the Valkyrs, she took half of those slain in battle to her realm of Folkvang in Asgard. FTP, name this Norse goddess of beauty and love.

Answer: Freja

11. Among the common varieties of this mineral are alabaster, selenite, and satin spar. It can also be produced artificially as a by-product of phosphoric acid manufacture. Used to make plaster of Paris, this mineral can be scratched with a fingernail. FTP, give the common name for this form of hydrated calcium sulfate.

Answer: Gypsum

12. In works such as The Savage Mind and The Jealous Potter, he argued that the relationships between social and mental structures such as kinship, myth, religion, and art were as important as the nature of the structures themselves. His Structuralist theories have been applied to everything from art and advertising to table manners and food. FTP, name this pioneering French anthropologist and author of The Elementary Structures of Kinship.

Answer: Claude Levi-Strauss

13. Much of this essayist's work appeared in such journals as Blackwood's Magazine and in his own collection of his works, the twenty-four volume Writings. He was one of the major critics of the Romantic movement, and his essays consist of The English Mail Coach and Murder Considered as One of the Fine Arts. FTP, name this man, associated with Wordsworth and Coleridge, but best known for Confessions of an English Opium Eater.

Answer: Thomas De Quincey

14. Although he served in the Roman army at the siege of Numantia in 133 B.C., his later fame was as a Roman enemy. He had his brother Hiempsal assassinated and he later defeated his other brother Adherbal to take over all of Numidia. However, Rome responded with a declaration of war, and this man was ultimately defeated by Gaius Marius. FTP, identify this man, whose war with Rome is chronicled by Sallust.

Answer: Jugurtha

15. While working on the island of Java, this Dutch physician found that fowl fed only polished rice developed beriberi, while those that were fed unpolished rice remained healthy. His initial conclusion was that they were suffering from a toxin leftover from the polishing process, but his successor, Gerrit Grejns, showed that the symptoms were caused by a deficiency. For this work, he was awarded the 1929 Nobel Prize in medicine. FTP, name this discoverer of vitamins.

Answer: Christiaan Eijkman

16. In this short story, the white trader Daniel Dravot proclaims himself god and king of Kafirstan, dividing the kingdom with his companion Peachey Carnehan. A woman discovers that he is human, and he is killed, but Peachey escapes after terrible torture to tell the tale. FTP, name this story, first published in The Phantom Rickshaw by Rudyard Kipling.

Answer: The Man Who Would Be King

17. Derived from the Camellia sinensis plant, it was first made, according to legend, by the Chinese emperor Shen Nung in 2237 BC. The subject of Nahum Tate's greatest poem "Panacea," it is consumed by more people and in greater quantities than any beverage except water. Coming in three major types; black, oolong, and green, it is one of the major cash crops of India. FTP, name this beverage.

Answer: Tea

18. The darlings of the new wave of Britpop, this group sold 450,000 copies of their latest CD in the first week of British release. Featuring Noel and Liam Gallagher, they have stormed to the charts on the strength of such songs as "Cigarettes & Alcohol," singles from their first album, Definitely Maybe, "Live Forever," and "Wonderwall." FTP, name this band whose latest album is What's the Story. Morning Glory.

Answer: Oasis

19. This disease, which affects only males, causes sterility and often mental retardation. Other effects include small testes, sparse body hair, and possible breast enlargement. Testosterone injections can reverse some of the symptoms. FTP, name this disease, caused in males with an extra X-chromosome.

Answer: Klinefelter Syndrome

20. Featured in the movie Heidi, participants in this sport hurl a 38-pound squat, circular stone along the ice at tees, or fixed goals, placed 38 yards apart. To help the stone move farther, the four team members also sweep the ice in front of the stone's path with brooms. FTP, name this wintertime sport, which will become a medal sport at the 1998 Winter Olympics

Answer: Curling

Bonuses for 1996 Wahoo War of the Minds Round 5

1. Answer the following questions about King William's War for 10 points apiece.

1. Name any year in which it was fought. Answer: 1689-97
2. King William's War was the American phase of what European war? Answer: War of the League of Augsburg
3. Name the 1697 treaty which ended the war. Answer: Treaty of Ryswick

2. 30-20-10. Given the works, name the author.

30: The Wet Parade, and King Coal

20: Dragon's Teeth

10: The Jungle

Answer: Upton Sinclair

3. For 10 points apiece, name these devices from computer design.

1. This combinatorial device selects as an output one of its inputs depending on the values of its control input.

Answer: Multiplexer (accept mux)

2. A storage device, this device changes state only during a clock edge.

Answer: Flip-flop

3. A storage device, this changes its value when the clock input is high and the data input changes value.

Answer: Latch

4. Answer the following questions about The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy for 10 points each.

1. Who is the main character? Answer: Arthur Dent
2. What alien race destroys the earth? Answer: Vogons
3. What two word sentence appears on the cover of every copy of the Guide? Answer: Don't Panic!

5. For 10 points apiece, given two dialects, name the parent language.

1. Demotike and Katharevusa

Answer: Greek

2. Nynorsk and Bokmal

Answer: Norwegian

3. Aragonese and Leonese

Answer: Spanish

6. For 15 points apiece, name the mathematical theorem described.

1. This theorem gives the relationship between a line integral around a simple closed curve C and a double integral over the plane region D bounded by C.

Answer: Green's Theorem

2. This theorem gives the relationship between a surface integral S to a line integral around the boundary curve of S.

Answer: Stokes' Theorem

7. For 5 points apiece, given these southern-fried tales, name their authors.

1. The Second Coming

Answer: Walker Percy

2. To Kill a Mockingbird

Answer: Harper Lee

3. The Violent Bear It Away

Answer: Flannery O'Connor

4. The Neon Bible

Answer: John Kennedy Toole

5. Delta Wedding

Answer: Eudora Welty

6. The Magic Christian

Answer: Terry Southern

8. For 10 points apiece, answer the following questions about enzymes.

1. Name the specific class of enzymes which break down proteins.

Answer: proteases

2. What is the name given for enzymes which have control sites where specific substances can bind and alter enzyme activity?

Answer: allosteric enzymes

3. Name the enzyme-substrate model, proposed by Daniel Koshland, which states that active sites making contact with substrates almost but not quite match perfectly.

Answer: induced-fit model

9. Identify the following artists from works for 10 points each.

1. Garden of Love

Answer: Peter Paul Rubens

2. Bathers

Answer: Paul Cezanne

3. Madonna of Burgomaster Meyer

Answer: Hans Holbein the Younger

10. Zeus had a problem with commitment. For 10 points each, given a description of one of his lovers, name her.

1. In revenge for having her children taken away by Hera, she began to steal and kill the children of others.

Answer: Lamia

2. When Hera tricked her into asking Zeus to show his true form, she was consumed by lightning.

Answer: Semele

3. The goddess of memory, she slept with Zeus for nine nights and gave birth to the nine Muses.

Answer: Mnemosyne

11. Answer the following questions about Alfred the Great, for 10 points each.

1. Whom did Alfred succeed?

Answer: Ethelred I

2. What name was given to the peace treaty with the Danes which Alfred forced?

Answer: Treaty of Wedmore

3. According to the Treaty of Wedmore, the Danes ruled the lands north and east of England. What was this land called?

Answer: the Danelaw

12. 30-20-10-5. Name the figure in American history.

30: After the Revolutionary War, he was appointed commander of Fort Johnson and married his cousin, Mary Videau.

20: In 1773, he acquired the plantation of Pond Bluff along the Santee River and became captain of the 2nd Regiment, leading them during an attack on Savannah in 1779.

10: Surrounded by British posts and Loyalists, he disrupted British communications in South Carolina for several months in 1780, until General Greene was able to relieve him.

5: He was known as the "Swamp Fox."

Answer: Francis Marion

13. For the stated number of points give the founder of the following American religious movements.

1. 5: Mormons

Answer: Joseph Smith

2. 5: Christian Scientists

Answer: Mary Baker Eddy

3. 10: Seventh-Day Adventists

Answer: William Miller

4. 10: Jehovah's Witnesses

Answer: Charles Taze Russell

14. Given the range of years, name the Chinese dynasty for 5 points apiece and a bonus of 5 for all correct.

1. 221-206 BC

Answer: Qin accept Ch'in

2. 202 BC-220 AD

Answer: Han

3. 581-618

Answer: Sui

4. 618-906

Answer: Tang

5. 1368-1644

Answer: Ming

15. Sports teams don't die, they just move away. Given the old team name, name the current team for 10 points apiece. Both city (or state) and nickname has to be given.

1. St. Louis Browns (baseball)

Answer: Baltimore Orioles

2. Quebec Nordiques (hockey)

Answer: Colorado Avalanche

3. Troy Haymakers (baseball)

Answer: San Francisco Giants

16. 30-20-10. Name the city.

30: This port lies at the confluence of the Huangpu and Wusong rivers.

20: One of the more radicalized cities in China, the Communist Party of China was founded here in.

10: Its name has become a synonym for "kidnapping."

Answer: Shanghai

17. For 10 points given the main character, name the 20th century German novel. You get only 5 points if you need the author.

1. 10: Hans Schnier

5: Heinrich Boll

Answer: The Clown

2. 10: Hans Castorp

5: Thomas Mann

Answer: The Magic Mountain

3. 10: Harry Haller

5: Herman Hesse

Answer: Steppenwolf

18. A fundamental question about fundamental particles. For 5 points each:

1. What name is given to the class of particles that carry the fundamental forces of nature?

Answer: Bosons

2. Name the five bosons.

Answer: Photon, Gluon, W particle, Z particle, Graviton

19. Its time for a literary combination bonus. Given a pair of clues, name the possible combined work for 15 points apiece.

1. Clym Yeobright comes back home to Egdon Heath in this Hardy work, and Bigger Thomas commits two murders and is condemned to death in this novel by Richard Wright.

Answer: The Return of the Native Son

2. Helena takes the place of another to win Bertram's love in this Shakespeare play, and the Radclyffe Hall novel that was banned in England due to its sympathetic portrayal of lesbianism.

Answer: All's Well That Ends Well of Loneliness

20. Many World War II engagements had funky code names. For the stated number of points, give the code name associated with each operation.

1. 5: The Allied invasion of Normandy in 1944.

Answer: Overlord

2. 10: The Allied invasion of French North Africa in 1942.

Answer: Torch

3. 15: The evacuation of the British Army from Dunkirk.

Answer: Dynamo