

Tossups for 1996 Wahoo War of the Minds Round 7

1. He was born in 484 B.C in Halicarnassus and died in Thirii after being denied Athenian citizenship. His parents were Lyxes and Dryo, and his uncle Panyasis was executed as a conspirator during the Persian Wars. FTP, name this father of history, the author of History of the Persian Wars.

Answer: Herodotus

2. A dermatophyte infection, this medical condition can be treated with griseofulvin. A type of ringworm, it is caused by two species of the fungal genus Trichophyton. Known as tinea pedis to doctors, it normally begins between the 3rd and 4th toe, and can spread to cover the arch. FTP, name this disease which shares its name with a shoe chain.

Answer: Athlete's Foot

3. Romans viewed this city's plain between Pentland Hills and the Firth as strategic. It was granted a city charter in 1329 and its university has boasted such luminaries as James Thorman and Thomas Boswell. The entire city has been the subject of a 20th century revival, led in the twenties and thirties by nationalist poet Hugh MacDermid. FTP, name this town, the capital of Scotland.

Answer: Edinburgh

4. "Westward the course of empire takes its way." This man's utterance led to the naming of a town in California after him. However, his true fame derives from philosophical works such as Discourse Addressed to an Infidel Mathematician, in which he ridiculed Newton's fluxions, and The Dialogues of Hylas and Philonous, where he argued that matter exists only by being perceived. FTP, name this 18th-century British philosopher.

Answer: George Berkeley (BARK-lee)

5. This river starts in Piscataquis County in Maine and flows 140 miles until it enters the St. John's River in New Brunswick, Canada. The surrounding valley is rich in potatoes, and a dispute over this valley erupted in the 19th century between Britain and the United States. FTP, name this river which lent its name to the "war" ended by the Webster-Ashburton Treaty.

Answer: Aroostook River

6. The Schoolmistress, the Young Man Called John, the Landlady, the Poor Relation, and the Divinity Student are just some of the characters in this work. It first appeared in book form in 1858, and it consisted of imaginary conversations around a boarding-house table. FTP, name this novel by Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Answer: The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table

7. This group's greatest growth occurred in Murat's Kingdom of Naples, where it later played a key role in the 1820 revolt. In that same year it played a key role in the Spanish revolution of 1820 and the next year in the Piedmontese movement. The origin of its name has been ascribed to charcoal burners of Champagne, followers of St. Theobald. FTP, name this secret society, which provided the first patriotic inspirations for many Italian nationalists.

Answer: Carbonari

8. Take two resistors, one with a resistance of 2 ohms, the other with 3 ohms. FTP, what is their equivalent resistance when they are connected in parallel?

Answer: 1.2 or 6/5 ohms

9. It was established with funds given by Paul Mellon, who named it after a favorite vacation spot of Carl Jung. Originally given by the Library of Congress, it fell under the auspices of Yale University Library in 1950. The first one went to Ezra Pound for "The Pisan Cantos." FTP, name this award for achievement in American poetry.

Answer: Bollingen prize

10. Recent NCAA stars include Cary Kolat, T.J. Jaworsky, and Terry Brands. In the NCAA, recent top 20 polls have included Lock Haven, Clarion, and Oklahoma State, though the national championships have recently been dominated by Iowa. Other well known competitors in this sport have included Salman Khasimakov, Pat Smith, Dan Mayo, and Bruce Baumgartner. FTP, name this sport, recently associated with Team Foxcatcher.

Answer: Wrestling

11. The west pediment of this structure presents groups of two or three struggling figures, sometimes half-animal. The east pediment is static and strictly symmetrical, dominated by the god to whom it is dedicated. FTP, name this Phidias work, a Greek temple which housed one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.

Answer: Temple of Zeus at Olympia

12. Reportedly, he decided to run for the position he currently holds during a dart game at a Chicago pub. He kept his conservative views quiet, and won based on the shortcomings of his opponent. In the House, he made headlines as the only Republican to vote against Newt Gingrich's budget. FTP, name this "accidental congressman," conqueror of Dan Rostenkowski.

Answer: Michael P. Flanagan

13. The original method of obtaining this element was reducing the chlorate with sodium. However, this process was expensive, so a French and American engineer independently announced a cheaper electrochemical process in 1886. In this the ore is mixed with cryolite at 980 degree Celsius and electrolyzed. FTP, name this element produced by the Hall-Heroult process with atomic number 13.

Answer: Aluminum

14. The son of Ares and Althaea, it was said that if a certain log on a fire burned, then this man would die. However, when he killed his two uncles in a rage, his mother burned the log and killed him. FTP, name this man who fell in love with Atalanta, best know for slaying the Caledonian Boar.

Answer: Meleager

15. This Roman province was founded in 146 B.C. Roughly the area around modern Tunisia, it was comprised of territory previously subject to Carthage, and grew prosperous under four centuries of Roman rule and colonization, producing an emperor and several prominent church fathers. FTP, name this province, whose name today corresponds to the entire continent on which it was located.

Answer: Africa

16. Settling in London in 1938, he destroyed his first two novels before publishing Happy Valley in 1939. After serving in the RAF during WWII, he published The Living and the Dead and The Tree of Man. His best known novel, Voss, concerns the attempt of a German man to cross Australia overland. FTP, name this winner of the 1973 Nobel Prize for literature.

Answer: Patrick White

17. He rose up from lowly origins in the service of Urzababa, the king of Kish. He conquered Uruk by defeating and capturing Lugalzaggisi. He built Akkad as the new seat of his dynasty, and his sons later consolidated the empire which he had begun. FTP, name this Akkadian, who was the first to organize Sumer and Akkad under a central government.

Answer: Sargon the Great

18. Of order Ciconiiformis and family Ciconiidae, there are 17 species of this type of bird. They live in open, often wet country worldwide, but usually not in North America. They are bulkier than other birds of their order, such as heron. FTP, name this bird, which has the longest nesting period of its order, but is often depicted bringing other types of babies.

Answer: Storks

19. Their system was extended when Francis Asbury came to America as a Wesleyan missionary. They flourished during the first half of the 19th century, and Peter Cartwright was one of their best known members. FTP, name these preachers, usually Methodists, who needed only a horse and a saddlebag to spread the gospel.

Answer: circuit riders

20. Born in Munich in 1895, he started the Gunther School for gymnastics, dance, and music in 1924. After studying under German composer Heinrich Kaminski, he created his best known work, a 1937 oratorio. He did other music, including a trilogy of "music dramas," Antigone, Oedipus der Tyrann, and Prometheus. FTP, name this German composer, whose Triofo de Afrodite is the last of a trilogy which starts with Carmina Burana.

Answer: Carl Orff

Bonuses for 1996 Wahoo War of the Minds Round 7

1. For 10 points apiece, given a description name the local wind.

1. These warm, dry winds flow down the east slopes of the Rockies.

Answer: Chinook

2. These, hot dry winds in California flow out into the Pacific Ocean and greatly increase the threat of fire.

Answer: Santa Ana

3. These cold winds of the Rhone Valley flow out of the Alps and into the Mediterranean Sea.

Answer: Mistral

2. Answer the following questions about Emperor Haile Selassie I of Ethiopia for the stated number of points.

1. For 15 points, what does Haile Selassie mean?

Answer: Holy Trinity

2. For 10 points, what was his real name?

Answer: Ras Tafari

3. For 5 points, within three years, when did he become emperor of Ethiopia?

Answer: 1930 (accept 1927-33)

3. Given the subtitle, name the Gilbert and Sullivan opera for 10 points each.

1. The Slave of Duty

Answer: The Pirates of Penzance

2. Bunthorne's Bride

Answer: Patience

3. The Lass That Loved a Sailor

Answer: H.M.S. Pinafore

4. Give these Cubist painters from works for 10 points each.

1. Toreador Playing a Guitar, Violin and Guitar.

Answer: Pablo Picasso

2. Man With Violin, Fruit Dish and Glass.

Answer: Georges Braque

3. The Disk, which was the first recognized French abstract painting.

Answer: Robert Delaunay

5. Answer these questions about important people in the history of logic for the stated number of points.

1. 5: He is probably best known for the diagram which bears his name, consisting of interlocking circles.

Answer: John Venn

2. 10: His critical booklet, "The Mathematical Analyses of Logic," conceived of a whole new class of algebra. He lent his name to a group of operators.

Answer: George Boole

3. 15: Better known in utilitarian economics, he qualified Boole's notations and formed the "logical alphabet" for indirect inference.

Answer: William Jevons

6. Name these legendary college coaches for the stated number of points.

1. 5: This Kentucky coach is the all-time leader in college victories. The Kentucky arena is named for him.

Answer: Adolph Rupp

2. 10: He was the coach at Georgia Tech when they defeated Cumberland 222-0.

Answer: John Heisman

3. 15: He and Lou Carnesecca are the two winningest coaches in St. John's history. His memorial tournament, held every November, was described by my dad as "Three high schools and St. John's."

Answer: Joe Lapchick

7. FTP apiece, given a description name the white blood cell.

1. Forming 62% of white blood cells, this type of cell destroys small particles by phagocytosis.

Answer: Neutrophil

2. The least common type of leukocyte, this cell releases anticoagulants and histamines into the blood.

Answer: Basophil

3. The second most-common leukocyte, this cell releases antibodies that provide disease immunity.

Answer: Lymphocyte

8. For 10 points each, name the Chief Justice of the United States given a case he presided over. If you need the years of his tenure as Chief Justice, you'll get 5 points.

1. 10: Roe v. Wade

5: 1969-86

Answer: Warren Burger

2. 10: Plessy v. Ferguson

5: 1888-1910

Answer: Melville Fuller

3. 10: United States v. Yamamoto

5: 1941-46

Answer: Harlan Fiske Stone

9. Identify the following novels for 10 points from the protagonist, for 5 if you need the author.

1. 10: Paul Morel

5: D.H. Lawrence

Answer: Sons and Lovers

2. 10: Nikolay Stavrogin

5: Fyodor Dostoyevsky

Answer: The Possessed (accept The Devils or The Demons)

3. 10: Elfride Swancourt

5: Thomas Hardy

Answer: A Pair of Blue Eyes

10. Name the island country on a 30-20-10 basis.

30: It is an archipelago of 92 islands and islets with land mass 444 square kilometers, located in the Indian Ocean.

20: The capital is on the largest island of Mahe, where a 1977 coup installed socialist Albert Rene as president.

10: This archipelago, 900 miles east of Africa, has its capital at Victoria.

Answer: Seychelles

11. Now that we no longer have a West Germany, questions about that country truly are history. Answer these questions about nostalgic 1970s Germany for the stated number of points.

1. 5: Who was the Social Democrat chancellor elected in 1969?

Answer: Willy Brandt

2. 10: What was Brandt's policy for a new commitment to activities in the East called?

Answer: Ostpolitik

3. 15: What was Brandt's big success with regards to Ostpolitik, a 1972 document which regularized relations between the two German states?

Answer: Basic Treaty

12. Identify the scientist, 30-20-10.

30: He was a doctor in the German Army until 1944, when he was captured by the Russians. Released in 1948, he wrote King Solomon's Ring, popularizing his work.

20: The son of a Viennese surgeon, he kept a small zoo at his home in Altenberg.

10: In On Aggression, he transferred his work on animals to humans.

Answer: Konrad Lorenz

13. Name the composers from works on a 10-5 basis.

1. 10: Four Last Songs and Ein Heldenleben

5: Der Rosenkavalier

Answer: Richard Strauss

2. 10: Des Knaben Wunderhorn and Ruckert Lieder

5: Das Lied von der Erde

Answer: Gustave Mahler

3. 10: Die Harmonie der Welt and Ludus Tonalis

5: Mathis der Maler

Answer: Paul Hindemith

14. For the stated number of points, answer the following questions about almanacs.

1. For 5 points, name the almanac from which we get such famous adages as "Make haste slowly."

Answer: Poor Richard's Almanac

2. For 10 points, name this extant almanac, first published by Robert Bailey, gives advice on agriculture, meteorology, and morality.

Answer: The Old Farmer's Almanac

3. For 15 points, name the almanac published in England from 1662 to 1828, initially by the poet Robert Herrick.

Answer: Poor Robin

15. Of the fifty highest mountains in the United States, only five are not in Colorado or Alaska. I'll give you 5 points each for the first two, then 10 points more for each other mountain you can name, up to a total of 30. Hint: Four are in California, one is in Washington.

Answer: Mt. Whitney, Mt. Rainier, Mt. Williamson, White Mountain, North Palisade

16. These questions may or may not have a theme. Answer them for 10 points each.

1. He scored the only goal in Brazil's 1994 World Cup victory over the United States.

Answer: Bebeto

2. This swimsuit model's last name is Kirsebom; you may not have known that.

Answer: Vendela

3. This country singer has had a great deal of success since separating from her family based group; her latest single hit #1 in the first country chart of 1996.

Answer: Wynonna

17. Genetics time! Answer these for 10 points each.

1. If a pea plant which has two alleles for purple flowers with a white flowering pea plant, what is the ratio of purple flowers to white flowers?

Answer: 3:1

2. Now if a pea plant which has an allele for purple and an allele for white is mixed with a white pea plant, what is the ratio?

Answer: 1:1

3. Now if a smooth yellow seed with all-dominant alleles is mixed with a green wrinkled seed, what is the phenotypic ratio of the second generation?

Answer: 9:3:3:1

18. Name the author from works, 30-20-10.

30: The Covenant

20: Chesapeake

10: Tales of the South Pacific

Answer: James Michener

19. 30-20-10-5. Name the element.

30: The dye known as Tyrian purple was a dye that contained hydrogen, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, and this element.

20: The element's natural color is a red-brown and it has an unpleasant, penetrating odor.

10: This halogen is the only non-metallic element that is liquid under normal conditions.

5: Atomic number 35.

Answer: Bromine

20. The single. The one. The buck. By any name, the dollar bill is still a curious piece of green paper. Answer these questions about the one for the stated number of points. NOTE: You may NOT look at a dollar bill!

1. For 10 points, within three, and excluding the serial number, how many times does the number or word "one" appear on the dollar bill?

Answer: 16 (accept 13-19)

2. For 10 points each, name the two foreign phrases which appear in the Great Seal. Neither is "E Pluribus Unum."

Answer: Annuit Coeptis, Novus Ordo Seclorum