

MIT Beaver Bonspiel
ROUND 9

questions by Yale Waldorf and Dartmouth Stan

TOSSUPS

TOSSUP 1

The leader of the Visigoths in the late 4th and early 5th centuries, he was defeated by the Romans in every major battle. He tried to sail his troops to Africa, but realized the Visigoths didn't know how to build boats. FTP, name this man who did manage to seize and plunder an undefended Rome in 410.

ANSWER: _ALARIC_

TOSSUP 2

This author showed early promise by winning the Berkeley Gold Medal for Greek at Trinity College and the Newdigate Prize at Magdalen College for his poem "Ravenna". He later wrote critical essays such as "The Critic as Artist," and by the 1890s, he had become a prominent London's playwrights, with such works as A Woman of no Importance and Lady Windemere's Fan. FTP, name this author of The Importance of Being Earnest.

ANSWER: Oscar _WILDE_

TOSSUP 3

It is composed of three alpha helices [hee-li-sees] which gives it the tensile strength necessary for its role as a structural support protein. Though its name sounds like it creates institutions of higher learning, it really just holds us together. For ten points, name this protein, the most abundant in mammals, found in large amounts in skin, tendons, teeth, bones, and cartilage.

ANSWER: _COLLAGEN_

TOSSUP 4

About sixty million dollars worth was sold last year. The Frito-Lay unit of PepsiCo recently announced plans to buy it from its parent, Borden Foods. It was first sold in 1893 and is referred to in the song "Take me out to the Ballgame". For ten points, name this candy-coated mix of popcorn and peanuts known for the prize toy found in each box.

ANSWER: _CRACKER JACK_

TOSSUP 5

It tells the story of Inman, a Confederate deserter who journeys 300 miles home back to his lost love, Ada. This Civil War love story has been #1 on the bestseller list for several weeks. Anthony Minghella, the director of "The English Patient" has agreed to develop a movie based on it. FTP, name this 1997 novel. the first book by North Carolina author Charles Frazier.

ANSWER: _ COLD MOUNTAIN _

TOSSUP 6

Fordham, Dayton, St. Joseph's, Rhode Island, Xavier. The preceding schools are, FTP, members of what basketball conference whose best known members are Temple and UMass?

ANSWER: _ATLANTIC 10_

TOSSUP 7

Immobilize dogs and deliver dozens of painful shocks, then allow the dogs freedom of movement, and administer the shocks again. See what the dogs do. This is the outline of a seminal experiment executed by Seligman and Maier in 1967. What psychological phenomenon, thought to be at work in both depressed people and helpless dogs, did this experiment demonstrate?

ANSWER: _LEARNED HELPLESSNESS_

TOSSUP 8

The number of gallons in a US barrel of oil. The average length, in centimeters, of a Russian desman. The number of capsomeres covering the outer surface of a papovavirus. The parallel that marked the northern boundary of the area purchased in the Adams-Onis [Oh-nEEs] treaty, and the height, in feet, of the Tower of the Winds. All of these are the same two digit number. For ten points, what is the answer to life, the universe, and everything?

ANSWER: _FORTY-TWO_

TOSSUP 9

Originally a lawyer, he became the leading force behind the New Jewel movement, which overthrew Eric Gairy in 1979. FTP, name this leftist ruler, whose 1983 murder sparked the US invasion of Grenada.

ANSWER: Maurice _BISHOP_

TOSSUP 10

He is the only actor ever to have won an Emmy award for playing the

same character on three different shows, winning awards for Best Supporting Actor, Guest Actor, and Leading Actor in a comedy series. He also plays the voice of Bob Terwilliger on the Simpsons. FTP, name this man, who appeared in Wings, Cheers, and Frasier as psychiatrist Frasier Crane.

ANSWER: Kelsey _GRAMMER_

TOSSUP 11

A native of Vilna, Russia, he studied with Leopold Auer in St. Petersburg. When the Russian Revolution broke out, his family emigrated to America and he premiered in Carnegie Hall in 1917. He became a musical sensation overnight. In the 1940s, he settled in Beverly Hills, where he lived until his death. For ten points, name this musical prodigy who played the violin for 83 of his 86 years before his death in 1987.

ANSWER: Jascha _HEIFETZ_

TOSSUP 12

During his lifetime he wrote 3,000 poems, 2,000 songs, 8 novels, 40 volumes of essays and short stories, and 50 plays, drawing inspiration from both English and Indian literary traditions. In 1901, he founded Shantiniketan, which became a Vishva Bharati University. FTP, name this Indian author, the winner of the 1913 Nobel Prize for Literature for his collection Song Offerings.

ANSWER: Rabindranath _TAGORE_ (ruh-bin-druh-naht tuh-gor)

TOSSUP 13

Cuba marked the 30th anniversary of his death with festivities that ended with the burial of his remains in a box draped with a Cuban flag. As Castro's chief lieutenant, he commanded the victory of Santa Clara that forced Batista into exile. For ten points, name this Argentine socialist who organized a number of failed revolutions in the Congo and in Latin America before his 1967 execution in Bolivia.

ANSWER: Ernest "Che" _GUEVARA_

TOSSUP 14

These two country music legends haven't been all that visible lately, but in the 1970s and 80s they made their marks, and have since been two of the most recognizable names and faces in the music industry. Outside of their music careers, one has opened a chain of restaurants and the other has a popular theme park in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. FTP, name both of these country music artists, who collaborated on the song "Islands in the Stream".

ANSWER: Dolly _PARTON_ and Kenny _ROGERS_

TOSSUP 15

If toilet paper has this, it is very thick. If a chess program can look ahead 16 of these, it can see 8 moves ahead. FTP, what is this 3-letter word which also refers to a type of wood.

ANSWER: _PLY_

TOSSUP 16

In 1997, this perennial American League pitcher, known for the "rocket" like velocity of his fast-ball, was the first pitcher to win the "triple-crown" of pitching in more than forty years. He led the American League in Earned-Run-Average, Wins, and Strikeouts. FTP, name him.

Answer: Roger _CLEMENS_

TOSSUP 17

He lived from about 372 to 289 BC in the ancient state of Tsou, China. Among his basic tenets was an emphasis on the obligation of rulers to provide for the common people and he envisioned the Confucian nobleman as an exemplary teacher, a political leader, and spiritual leader, and a prophetic intellectual. His development of early orthodox Confucianism earned him the title of "second sage". FTP, name this early Chinese philosopher.

ANSWER: _MENCIUS_ (also accept Meng-Tzu, Mengzi, Meng K'o, or Tsou Kung, Duke of Tsou)

TOSSUP 18

This name is given to the extension of the Kalahari into Namibia and Botswana. It covers 32,000 square miles and is bordered on the east by the Okavango Swamp and on the west by the Hardveld. FTP, name this desert whose name sounds like the sound a crow might make added to the name of a Ray Bradbury story involving an out-of-control playroom.

ANSWER: _KAUKAUVELD_

TOSSUP 19

In this novel, author Edward Rutherfurd traces the history of a capital city from the days of Roman control to its position as the center of an empire from the viewpoints of multiple generations of six different families. FTP, give the name of this novel, which shares its title with the city it studies and has been on the bestseller lists since its publication in June of 1997.

ANSWER: _ LONDON _

TOSSUP 20

Warning: Two answers required. One of Jupiter's moons, Europa is known to have water and internal heat sources. However, organic compounds have never been discovered on Europa. The spacecraft Galileo recently found carbon compounds on two other moons of Jupiter. For ten points, name these two moons, one named for a maiden turned into a bear and the other named for the cupbearer to the gods.

ANSWER: _CALLISTO_ and _GANYMEDE_

TOSSUP 21

In philosophy, it is the view that God is the sole and ultimate reality and that finite objects and events have no independent existence. It has also been equated with pantheism, the belief that everything is God. G.W.F. Hegel coined the word to defend Benedict de Spinoza, who was accused of atheism for rejecting the traditional view of a created world existing outside God. For ten points, name this term.

ANSWER: _ACOSMISM_

TOSSUP 22

Born in Estonia, he was an American architect whose buildings were characterized by powerful, massive forms. This broke decisively with the International style, making him one of the most discussed architects to emerge after World War II. Some of his more famous works include the Community Center in Trenton, the Medical and Biological Laboratories at Penn, the British Art Center at Yale, the dormitories at Bryn Mawr, the Salk Center for Biological Research, and the Unitarian Church in Rochester, NY. FTP, name this architect.

ANSWER: Louis _KAHN_

TOSSUP 23

This twentieth-century French female author and playwright, who died in 1996, wrote such works as THE LOVER, MODERATO CANTABILE (mo-de-RAH-toh kan-TAH-bee-LAY), and the screenplay for HIROSHIMA, MY LOVE. FTP, name her. (Lit.)

Answer: Marguerite _DURAS_

TOSSUP 24

This form of hyperthyroidism is characterized by both enlargement of the thyroid gland and exophthalmos [ex-opf-thal-mus]. Also known as exophthalmic goiter [ex-opf-thal-mik goy-ter], it is considered

auto-immune as the thyroid is stimulated by an antibody. The thyroid grows to more than twice its normal size and the eyes swell, possibly causing permanent damage. For ten points, name this disease which is not as serious as the name suggests.

ANSWER: _GRAVES_ disease

TOSSUP 25

Although Procopius claimed his wife controlled him through magic, and though he was continually mistreated by the Justinians, he still managed to conquer North Africa, most of Italy, and hold off the Persians. FTP, name this 6th century Byzantine general?

ANSWER: _BELISARIUS_

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BONUSES

All bonuses are worth 30 points.

BONUS 1

With his first play, -Look Back in Anger, this author achieved immediate fame in mid-1950's England and became the spokesman for a new generation of British writers with their raw and emotional "kitchen-sink dramas." FTPE, answer these questions about him.

1) Name the author.

ANSWER: John _OSBORNE_

2) What was the name of the group of English novelists and playwrights that Osborne was a part of, along with Kingsley Amis, Alan Sillitoe, Colin Wilson, and John Braine?

ANSWER: the _ANGRY YOUNG MEN _

3) Osborne's 1957 play The Entertainer was a tour-de-force performance for what famed British thespian?

ANSWER: Laurence _OLIVIER_

BONUS 2

Name the severely endangered or recently extinct animal from the clues for fifteen points each. Five points if you need an additional hint.

15) The population of Ectopistes migratorius [eek-to-piss-tees mi-gra-tor-ee-us] in North America numbered in the billions in the early 1800s but the species was hunted to extinction by 1914. Mounted specimens still exist. Give the common name of the bird memorialized in Wisconsin's Wyalusing State Park.

5) For five points, from the name you would expect these small birds to carry people great distances.

ANSWER: _PASSENGER PIGEONS_

15) It is found in Australia, Tasmania, and New Guinea, this dog-like animal was yellowish brown with black vertical stripes on its sides. Belonging to the family Dasyuridae, it was pouched, and poached, or at least hunted extensively during this century. Name this animal which is currently believed to be extinct. The informal name is acceptable.

5) For five points, its name is a cross between the villain in "Little Red Riding Hood" and Taz of Warner Brothers fame.

ANSWER: _TASMANIAN WOLF_ also accept "Tasmanian tiger" or "thylacine" or "Thylacinus cynocephalus"

BONUS 3

For the stated number of points, answer these questions about the

Nobel Prizes.

1) The Peace Prize is awarded in a different city than the rest of the Nobel prizes. FTPE, In what city is the Peace Prize awarded.

ANSWER: _OSLO_, Norway

2) For five points, in what city are the other Nobel prizes awarded?

ANSWER: _STOCKHOLM_, Sweden

3) For 15 points, on what month and day, the anniversary of Alfred Nobel's death, are the Nobel prizes awarded?

ANSWER: _DECEMBER 10_

BONUS 4

Given a country, name its last colonial master. 10 points each.

1) Indonesia

ANSWER: _NETHERLANDS_

2) Guyana

ANSWER: _BRITAIN_

3) Namibia

ANSWER: _SOUTH AFRICA_

BONUS 5

For ten points each, name the next three cities that have been named to host Olympic Games, along with the year in which they are due to host them. You must get both the city and the year for any points.

Answer: _1998_NAGANO_, Japan, _2000_SYDNEY_ Australia, _2002_ _SALT LAKE CITY_ Utah, United States

BONUS 6

Answer the following questions about gemstones for ten points each.

1) It is generally colorless, though colored variants exists. It scores 10 on the Mohs hardness scale and shows perfect cleavage parallel to the octahedral face.

ANSWER: _DIAMOND_

2) This mineral makes up three different gemstones: padmaradschah [pad-mara-ad-ska], ruby, and sapphire. It figures in the novel On a Pale Horse.

ANSWER: _CORUNDUM_

3) This mineral makes up aquamarine and emerald. It is also used in some types of lasers.

ANSWER: BERYL

BONUS 7

Name the psychological tests from the clues given for the stated number of points.

1) For 5 points. In this test subjects look at both black-and -white and colored symmetrical inkblots and say what they see in them.

ANSWER: RORSCHACH test, or "Rorschach inkblot test". Prompt on "ink-blot test"

2) For 10 points. Subjects are shown pictures of people interacting and then say what they think is going on in the scene.

ANSWER: THEMATIC APPERCEPTION test_ prompt on TAT

3) For 15 points. This 567 true-false test is designed to rate individuals in 14 different areas of personality, such as depression, paranoia, and psychopathic deviance. It is the most frequently administered psychological test in a professional setting.

ANSWER: MINNESOTA MULTIPHASIC PERSONALITY INVENTORY prompt for acronym expansion on "MMPI"

BONUS 8

For the stated number of points, name the NFL teams given the description.

For 5) The NFC has won the last thirteen superbowl. These "plunderers", thanks to the performance of Marcus Allen, were the last AFC team to win in 1984.

Answer: OAKLAND RAIDERS

For 10) The Raiders beat this team in Super Bowl XVIII [18]

ANSWER: Washington REDSKINS (accept Washington)

For 10) This team was the last AFC team to be favored in a Super Bowl by the bettors in Vegas.

ANSWER: Buffalo BILLS (accept Buffalo)

For 5) The Bills lost to this team in Super Bowl XXV [25]

ANSWER: New York GIANTS

BONUS 9

For ten points each, identify these mineral acids or mixtures of them from their common names. (Sci)

1) Oil of vitriol

ANSWER: SULFURIC ACID

2) Muriatic acid

ANSWER: HYDROCHLORIC ACID

3) Aqua fortis

ANSWER: NITRIC ACID

BONUS 10

Conjoin the following musical groups or personalities with geographic names for ten points each, five for just one part.

1) The band that gave us "Symphony of Destruction" and "Hanger 18," and the lowest, hottest, and driest area in North America.

ANSWER: MEGA DEATH VALLEY 5 for either Megadeth or Death Valley

2) A well known country music singer and a channel linking the Persian Gulf with the Gulf of Oman and the Arabian Sea that separates Iran and the Arabian Peninsula.

ANSWER: GEORGE STRAIT OF HORMUZ 5 for George Strait or Strait of Hormuz

3) The geographic code name for the bloodiest landing site on D-Day, and an aging rock group with such hits as "I Get Around" and "Help Me Rhonda."

ANSWER: OMAHA BEACH BOYS 5 for Omaha Beach or Beach Boys

BONUS 11

30-20-10 Name the composer

30) He was born in Brooklyn, New York and held a Guggenheim Grant from 1925 to 1927, and received a U.S. Medal of Freedom in 1964. He wrote the scores for "Of Mice and Men" and "Our Town".

20) He is known for a folksy American style which incorporates his taste for the jazzy and the experimental. Some of his orchestral works include "Music for the Theatre", the Symphony No. 3, and "A Lincoln Portrait". He also composed two operas, "The Second Hurricane" and "The Tender Land".

10) He is probably best well-known for his ballets, which include "Billy the Kid", "Rodeo", and "Appalachian Spring".

ANSWER: Aaron COPLAND

BONUS 12

10 points each. Name the country from its former Communist Leader.

1) Todor Zhivkov

ANSWER: BULGARIA

2) Janos Kadar

ANSWER: HUNGARY

3) Ramiz Alia

ANSWER: ALBANIA

BONUS 13

Most people have seen the movie "A Fish Called Wanda," the 1988 comedy starring John Cleese, Kevin Kline, Michael Palin, and Jamie Lee Curtis. FTPE, answer these questions about the stars.

1) What comedy group did John Cleese and Michael Palin and 4 other men form in the 1970s, whose style of absurd humor was no doubt an inspiration for some of the jokes in "A Fish Called Wanda" ?

ANSWER: MONTY PYTHON

2) Which of the stars of "Wanda" won a Best Supporting Actor Oscar for his portrayal of Otto, a outrageously sadistic and stupid thief?

ANSWER: Kevin KLINE

3) What 1996 movie, which despite rumors, was NOT a sequel to "Wanda," recently reunited the 4 stars?

ANSWER: FIERCE CREATURES

BONUS 14

Identify the Jane Austen novel from the description for the stated number of points.

1) Fanny Price goes to live with her rich aunt and uncle and ends up becoming the only one who is not tested morally.

Answer: MANSFIELD PARK

2) Anne Elliot is convinced to give up her engagement with Frederick Wentworth, the man she loves, because it is generally thought that he is not worthy of her.

Answer: PERSUASION

3) Logical Elinor Dashwood loves Edward Ferrars and her more impulsive sister Marianne loves Willoughby. After both of them have thwarted romances, they realize that neither of them should be so extreme. For five points each, give this novel's working title and the title we know it by today.

Answer: ELINOR AND MARIANNE
SENSE AND SENSIBILITY

4) Elizabeth Bennet and her sisters search for husbands.

Elizabeth finds one in the man she at first disliked most--Fitzwilliam Darcy. For five points each, give this novel's working title and the one we know it by today.

Answer: FIRST IMPRESSIONS
PRIDE AND PREJUDICE

BONUS 15

In 1994, John Berendt wrote a story about a sleepy southern city with murderous secrets hiding under its drapery of Spanish moss. This book became a best seller with such colorful characters as Jim Williams, Danny Hansford, and the Lady Chablis.

FTPE, answer these questions about it.

1) What is the title of the novel?

ANSWER: MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL

2) What city does it take place in?

ANSWER: SAVANNAH, Georgia

3) What famous actor/director has recently completed a movie version, due to be released in November of 1997?

ANSWER: Clint EASTWOOD

BONUS 16

30-20-10 Name the invention.

30) Its creator, Gunpei Yokoi was killed earlier this month when a car hit him and his friend. Apparently this happened when they were inspecting the damage to their car caused by an earlier minor accident on the highway.

20) The company that Yokoi created it for is a family company based in Kyoto, Japan. The company has been in business since the late 1800's and originally made playing cards. Yokoi had also created an earlier version called Game and Watch in 1980.

10) It was introduced in April 1989 and now holds approximately 90% of the hand-held video game market in the U.S.

ANSWER: Nintendo GAMEBOY

BONUS 17

For 15 points each, name the battles with the word "bridge" in their name from a short description.

1) 11th Century battle where Anglo-Saxon King Harold destroyed the

Viking army, also led by a Harold.

ANSWER: _STAMFORD BRIDGE_

2) 4th century battle where Constantine defeated Maxentius to become the undisputed ruler of the Western Roman Empire

ANSWER: _The battle of the MILVIAN BRIDGE_

BONUS 18

Good help is hard to find, yet some upper servants are memorable in their own right. Given the retainer, name his or her employer for 5 points each and an extra 5 points for the lot.

1) Jeeves

ANSWER: Bertie _WOOSTER_

2) Mrs. Hudson

ANSWER: _SHERLOCK HOLMES_

3) Alfred Pennyworth

ANSWER: Bruce _WAYNE_, or _BATMAN_

4) Mrs. Danvers

ANSWER: Maximillian _DeWINTER_, or Rebecca _DeWINTER_

5) Caliban

ANSWER: _PROSPERO_, or former Duke of _MILAN_

BONUS 19

Given the country, name the foreign intelligence agency for ten points apiece:

1) Great Britain

ANSWER: _SECRET INTELLIGENCE SERVICE_ or _SIS_ OR _MI6_

2) Israel

ANSWER: _MOSSAD_

3) Russia

ANSWER: The _KGB_ (Yes, the KGB still exists)

BONUS 20

Given the name of the rocket, for ten points each, give the US manned space program with which it is associated.

1. Redstone

ANSWER: _MERCURY_

2. Saturn V

ANSWER: _APOLLO_

3. Titan II

ANSWER: _GEMINI_

BONUS 21

18. Name these famous people in American history from nicknames for five points each, 10 more for all correct.

1) Old Hickory

ANSWER: Andrew _JACKSON_

2) Young Hickory

ANSWER: James K. _POLK_

3) Old Rough and Ready

ANSWER: Zachary _TAYLOR_

4) Old Fuss and Feathers

ANSWER: Winfield _SCOTT_

BONUS 22

Many artists were trained by other well-known artists. For ten points each, given the name of the artist, name the other famous artist who trained him/her.

1) Raphael

ANSWER: Pietro _PERUGINO_ (peh-roh-JEE-noh)

2) Camille Claudel (kah-MEEL kloh-DELL)

ANSWER: Auguste _RODIN_

3) Mary Cassatt

ANSWER: Edgar _DEGAS_

BONUS 23

20. Name the "one-hit-wonders" from the 1980's given a work for ten points each.

1) "Tainted Love"

ANSWER: _SOFT CELL_

2) "Cars"

ANSWER: _GARY NEWMAN_

3) "Died in Your Arms"

ANSWER: _CUTTING CREW_

BONUS 24

Everyone probably knows that Florida won last year's division 1A college football championship. But the Gators won their championship in a poll, not a game. For 30 points, name last year's champion in either division IAA, II, or III, who won it's championship on the field.

ANSWER: _MARSHALL_ (IAA) or _NORTHERN COLORADO_ (II) or _MOUNT UNION_ (III)_

BONUS 25

For ten points each, name the two neighbouring countries that celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their independence this year, on the 14th and 15th of August.

Answer: _PAKISTAN_ and _INDIA_

For another ten points, name the nation, another neighbour of India's, which was formerly East Pakistan.

Answer: _BANGLADESH_