

1. In a 1781 painting by Henry Fuseli, a woman doing this act became the artist's first commercially successful work, even being referenced in political satires and potentially inspiring a scene in Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*. In a song from *Godspeed You! Black Emperor*, whose title is based on this act, a (\*) screwdriver is used to play the electric guitar to create the haunting sound in the first half of the song. In a Cretan cave dedicated to Zeus, a Greek seer is heard to have performed this act while tending his father's sheep. For 10 points, Hypnos is the Greek god of what act that is depicted in Sir Frederic Leighton's painting "Flaming June"?

Answer: sleeping [accept word forms; accept synonyms; prompt on nap or rest or siesta].

<Erik, OtherAc>

2. Note to players: This tossup is a before-and-after. A 2017 ad campaign featuring these things, created various duos, including Champ and Babe, and Charmer and Joker. The name of this movement originated in response to the trial of George Zimmerman and his not guilty verdict. Utah hosts more of these entities per capita than any other US state, a trend thought to be due in part to lax regulation and Mormon Moms' industrial ethic. In early 2022 Tucker Carlson aired qualms over the removal of sexy clothing from two of these things, Herbalife and Avon Products, in response to a murder by (\*) Derek Chauvin. For 10 points, name this social movement, which began in response to young Black men being killed by police, which gains revenue using a "Pyramid structure" and door to door sales of these small multicolored chocolate candies.

ANSWER: BLMLM&Ms [or BLM&MLM; accept BLM or Black Lives Matter AND M&Ms AND MLM or multi-level marketing]

<Euan, B&A>

3. In a 2006 film, one of these beings states to Michael that he was "fast-forwarding through life" before he met him. In that same film, one of these beings' first lines is "something stinks like french fries." While wandering around a movie set, someone who was once one of these beings states "What is it? What is it Peter? why does your mind stray...Think I'll have a filet of sole meuniere tonight. Do Germans make meuniere?" In that same film one of these beings stands beside (\*) Nick Cave, unbeknownst to him, just as he is about to perform a song in Berlin. In the crowd for that song is Daniel, who was once one of these beings. In a 1946 film, Henry Travers portrays one of these beings named Clarence Odboddy who saves the main the antagonist who was contemplating suicide. For 10 points, name these beings who are the subject of Wim Wenders' *Wings of Desire* and one of whom guided Jimmy Stewart's character through a life without him in it in *It's a Wonderful Life*.

ANSWER: angels

<Connor, Film>

4. Note to players: This tossup is a before-and-after. This product names the first track on BIMBOCORE Volume 2 by Scene Queen as well as a track on 310Degrees by 310Babii. A summer 2022 Lil Nas X tweet joked that viewers who presaved his single "Late to da Party" could win a chance to meet this entity. The pinned tweet for this product's twitter account is "Don't be a pigeon, pick up [this product] in stores today" and featured a video of its namesake gliding off with a glass of this product. Chick-Fil-A once replied "Aww! ♥" ("heart emoji") to a (\*) tweet that joked this entity would have a great time there. This beverage was inspired by an ad read on the NHL podcast "Spittin' Chiclets" after one of its hosts was asked "how do you drink your vodka?" This entity has lived with her fathers, Logan and Ben, in Scottsdale, Arizona since being adopted in 2016. For 10 points, name this brand of lemonade vodka that is sometimes portmanteaued with "shit" and this dog who is "Not too fond of gay people".

ANSWER: Pink Whitney Chewston [accept Pink Whitney AND Whitney Chewston]

<Haylee and Euan, B&A trash>

5. A text widely attributed to this figure describes a conversation with a God-like persona whose eyes "held infinities no human could contain, but that no one but a human could conceive" at the funeral of a copper-tiddling, "65 year old electrician whose own electrics gave out." One of the few depictions of this figure

prior to the death of Ruth Bader Ginsburg exists on the HoundCentral YouTube channel, depicting them performing at a location known mysteriously as “the Porch.” This figure appears, mouth agape and with one fist raised, in the header photo of a 2019 article by Will Campbell focusing on Team Sciborg. This politician made a rare media appearance discussing the work of (\*) Iain M. Banks and the potential consequences of anti-aging on the podcast *Synthesized Sunsets*. This figure is depicted churning a vat of butter next to a poorly-drawn Union Jack and saying, “I LoVE DNA & wheat” in an artwork posted in #chat last week. For 10 points, name this current president of UW Quizbowl.

ANSWER: Euan McCubbin [or Euan William McCubbin; accept E; accept the McCubbers]

<Yaj, UWQB>

6. In her memoir *I’m Glad My Mom Died*, Jennette McCurdy talked about watching this show with Miranda Cosgrove until they fell asleep, saying they related deeply to this show. In a musical adaptation of this show, one character sings, “She’s bound for the movie screen!” to which another character responds, “Ha, not one that children should see.” Christi calls out a person on this show for criticizing (\*) Holly’s fashion sense, considering that person’s accessories are organized as “red rhinestone crap, blue rhinestone crap.” Another song in this show’s musical adaptation contains the lyrics, “Our cores are tight, our steps are high, you’ll never see our upper thighs,” and is titled “Welcome to the Candy Apples.” In an episode of this show, Jill goes shopping with Holly and attempts to convince Abby that Kendall should play Rosa Parks in a group routine despite being white. For 10 points, name this Lifetime show about the Abby Lee Dance Company whose stars included the Ziegler sisters and JoJo Siwa.

ANSWER: Dance Moms

<Simarya, Trash>

7. *Description acceptable.* A former location of this type currently houses the art museum Museo di Roma. A building of this type in France was designed by Oscar Niemeyer, with a dome representing a pregnant woman. A building of this type in Germany was renamed by the Nazis, but had its original name restored in 1948 as the (\*) Karl-Liebknecht-Haus. A former building of this type in Inner-Mongolia had an illuminated swastika on top of it. For 10 points, a former imperial garden located next to the Forbidden City is currently used by the Communist Party of China as what type of building?

ANSWER: political party headquarters [accept equivalents; accept headquarters of fascist parties; accept headquarters of communist parties; accept headquarters of the National Fascist Party or Partito Nazionale Fascista; accept headquarters of the French Communist Party or Parti communiste français; accept headquarters of the Communist Party of Germany or Kommunistische Partei Deutschlands or KPD; accept headquarters of the Party of Democratic Socialism or Partei des Demokratischen Sozialismus or PDS or The Left Party.PDS or Die Linkspartei.PDS or The Left or Die Linke; accept headquarters of the Russian Fascist Party or Vserossiyskaya fashistskaya partiya]

<Alice, OFA>

8. *Description acceptable.* In response to the usage of this phrase during a 2025 House Judiciary Committee Meeting, Congressman Thomas Massie erroneously claimed that it should be accompanied by a flexed arm. In that same meeting, Florida representative Jared Moskowitz elected to hold up a sign displaying this phrase, rather than give a long speech. After Annabelle suggested no one in UWQB was alive during 9/11, Jaime responded with (\*) “ok but you guys are [this phrase].” The first usage of this phrase was by the current U.S. national security advisor shortly after incidentally adding a journalist to Houthi PC Small Group. For 10 points, name this trio of emojis delivered by Mike Waltz through Signal in response to news of an airstrike.

ANSWER: 🇺🇸🇺🇸🔥 [or fist, american flag, fire emojis; or equivalent descriptions]

<Lucas, Current Events>

9. *Description acceptable.* In the *Touhou* (“toe-hoe”) game series, several characters, including a harvest goddess, a ghost princess, and a mermaid princess, serve this role in their respective games. In *Pokémon*, the rock type is the most common type for this role, with characters such as (\*) Roark, Roxanne, and Brock serving this role. In the original *Super Mario Bros.*, a Goomba acting as an impostor Bowser serves this role. While in the original *Mega Man* this role is not set, players typically choose Cut Man, Bomb Man or Guts Man to serve this role. For 10 points, Whispy Woods serves what role in most games in the *Kirby* franchise?

ANSWER: **first boss** [prompt on **boss**]

<Alice, OFA>

10. In a Julia Ducourna film, the main protagonist has sex with one of these objects, shortly after killing an obsessive fan with a hairpin. In that same film, the main protagonist, after having a metal plate inserted into her head, embraces one of these objects. Roger Ebert stated that the director for a film that centers around one of these objects was “Trying to make a pornographic movie, without pornography.” That same film, which was released in (\*) 1996, was awarded a rare Special Jury Prize at the Cannes Film Festival despite the passionate abstaining of certain jury members. One of these objects used for the production of a Steve McQueen film was thought to be lost until 2016 when it was incidentally purchased from a backyard in Los Angeles—that film was *Bullitt*. For 10 points name these objects which Transformers can transform into.

Answer: **cars** [reject “trucks” or “vans”]

<Connor, Film>

11. *Two answers required.* Serge Gainsbourg and Brigitte Bardot once recorded a song titled for these two people based on the poem “The Trail’s End.” The first arrest of one of these people, the partner in crime of the other person, was for the former’s failure to return a car on time. A musical composed by Frank (\*) Wildhorn based on these two people earned two Tony Award nominations in 2012 after its 2011 Broadway debut, one of which was for Best Original Score Written for the Theatre. In a review for a film about these two peoples’ careers, Bosley Crowther of the New York Times was so appalled by the film that he started a campaign advocating against the film’s use of violence and the rising brutality of Hollywood cinema. For 10 points, name this American outlaw couple who committed crimes such as murder and bank robbery from 1932 until their famously publicized murder by the law in 1934.

Answer: **Bonnie** AND **Clyde** [or **Bonnie** Elizabeth Parker AND **Clyde** Champion Barrow].

<Erik, Film>

12. One of these figures’ namesake “Natak” was transcribed into Gurmukhi by Guru Gobind Singh. Four of these beings exist outside the ten categories of beings in the universe, including a red-bottomed one, one with long limbs, and one with six ears. Sugriva was the leader of a kingdom of these beings called Kishkindha. One of these creatures is strengthened after he is placed in a crucible for forty-nine days by an alchemist to retrieve pills he had eaten. The mantra *om maṇi padme hūṃ* was used to imprison that one of these creatures, where he is fed molten iron and copper. Arthur Waley’s popular 1942 translation of a (\*) Wu Cheng’en novel is titled for this animal. One of these animals is taught to defend against the “Three Calamities” with seventy-two “Earthly Transformations.” One of these creatures tried to eat the sun, thinking it was a mango. Deities taking the form of these creatures include one who accompanies Tang Sanzang on a journey atop the White Dragon Horse. For 10 points, name this creature embodied by Hanuman and Sun Wukong.

ANSWER: **monkeys** [or **primates** or **apes** or equivalents; accept **Monkey** King; accept **vānara**s; accept **hóuzǐ**; prompt on **Sūn** Wùkōng; prompt on **Hanuman**]

<Yaj, Mythology>

13. A natural spring in this region, Kitch-iti-iki, is nicknamed the “mirror of heaven” for its clear waters. The many cedar swamps of this region leak tannins into its Tahquamenon Falls, giving them the nickname “Root Beer Falls.” Rock arches and sea caves formed from Cambrian sandstone make this region’s Pictured

**Rocks National Lakeshore a popular destination for freshwater scuba diving. Copper Harbor, a town in this region's (\*)** Keweenaw County, serves as a departure point for visitors to Isle Royale National Park. The largest wooden dome in the world, Superior Dome, is located in this region's most populous city, Marquette. The Straits of Mackinac ("MAH-kin-aaw") separate the mitten from, for 10 points, what landmass in northern Michigan?

ANSWER: Upper Peninsula of Michigan [or U.P. or Yoop or Upper Michigan; prompt on Michigan; prompt on Great Lakes; prompt on Upper Midwest]

<Lucas, Geography>

14. **A director for a film shot in this style regarded taking ayahuasca as "almost professional research" for inspiration for its visual style. That film, which also utilized Ernst Haeckel's illustrations as inspiration for its visual style, was primarily filmed in Tokyo where the director had to make deals with the Yakuza for certain filming locations. In one scene in another film shot in this style, the camera follows a receptionist played by Lila Leeds, rather than focusing on the conversation at hand—that film is (\*)** *Lady in the Lake*. In another film shot in this style, one character yells from a bus "Great jacket, where can I get one?" before being torched by a flamethrower. For 10 points, name this style of shooting utilized in films such as *Enter the Void*, *Presence*, and *Hardcore Henry*.

Answer: POV [or point-of-view; or first-person; accept equivalents]

<Connor, Film>

15. **In 2014, the construction of a theme park in South Korea associated with this company was halted due to the discovery of a large archeological site. Godtfred Kirk Christiansen, the son of this company's founder, perfected the design of its (\*)** trademark product. A film named for this company features Chris Pratt portraying a construction worker having a midlife crisis while rebelling against an Orwellian government. This company's name is a combination of two words that translate as "play well." The Duplo brick line is by, for 10 points, what Danish toy company that created Ninjago and minifigures?

ANSWER: The Lego Group

<Yaj, OtherAc>

16. **The design of the collapsed Florida International University pedestrian bridge included faux structures to resemble this type of bridge, even though it was actually supported by a centerline truss. A bridge of this type in Nienburg was the first of its type designed to carry heavy wagons, and its 1825 collapse led to an over 100-year hiatus on constructions of bridges of its type. In February 2025, a bridge of this type was selected to replace the collapsed Francis Scott Key Bridge. A blue-and-green Basko truck became a widely circulated symbol of a collapsed bridge of this type due to its precarious position at the edge of the road. One bridge of this type was constructed to replace a bridge that collapsed after the (\*)** MV *Summit Venture* struck one of its piers. Corrosion at the top of pillar 9 of the Ponte Morandi, a bridge of this type, led to the death of 43 people when its deck suddenly collapsed in 2018. For 10 points, the new Sunshine Skyway Bridge is what type of bridge, which has its deck directly strung to its pylons?

ANSWER: cable-stayed bridge

<Andrea, Other Science>

17. *Note to moderator: emphasize the first word of each sentence (they have been underlined). For those of you being read a toss up right now, I just wanted you to know that this tossup isn't going to have an indicator. 10 of you are probably being like "oh they just used an indicator" but like, c'mon folks I just told you it's not gonna be like answerline "this tossup" hehehehehe, we are past that. Points aren't all there is to life, I took a nice walk yesterday, that was pretty cool, def comparable to second lining a PLAYTIME Tossup, but like different, more calming. Buzz-ing of bees and hummingbirds, I even saw a bald eagle, or a beagle as I like to call them; it was a pretty chill vibe, so why don't we take a couple of seconds to try and recapture that magic (\*). [Wait for 10 seconds]* Oh yeah, and for 10 points, buzz.

ANSWER: accept literally anything even if they buzz and stay silent  
<Euan, Euan>

18. **The Garcia Report, a 2014 investigation into this organization's practices, found that one country bought votes from 2 of its executives. Amnesty International has criticized one of this organization's events for furthering the kafala system, such as controlling workers' passports. After corruption charges, this organization's Ethics Committee removed its longtime president Sepp Blatter, who was replaced by Giovanni Infantino. This (\*) sporting organization allowed Russia to compete under a different name after it invaded Ukraine. The 2026 edition of this organization's main event will be hosted across North America from June to July. For 10 points, name this highest governing body of association football, which runs its namesake "World Cups" every 4 years.**

ANSWER: **FIFA** [or **Fédération Internationale de Football Association** or **International Federation of Association Football**]

<Yaj, OtherAc>

19. **In a film with only one credited cast member, this man rambles alone in his study with only a tape recorder, a glass of whisky, and a gun. In that film, *Secret Honor*, Philip Baker Hall portrays this man, who was still alive at the time of the film's release in 1984. A writer for one film that centered around this man pelted him with ice cubes as a child when staying in the same hotel as him. *Klute*, *The Parallax View*, and a 1976 film that revolves around this man make up Alan Pakula's (\*) Paranoia Trilogy. In one film, right before commencing a TV interview, this man asks the interviewer "Did you do any fornicating?" Oliver Stone directed a biopic on this man which was released in 1995, only one year after his death. Anthony Hopkins portrayed, for 10 points, what president who was also the subject of Woodward and Bernstein's investigation in *All the President's Men*?**

ANSWER: Richard **Nixon** [or Richard Milhous **Nixon**]

<Connor, Film>

20. **During the Second Yemenite War, the North Yemeni air force consisted of just 14 Saudi planes operated by 80 personnel from this country. This country was secretly supplied by Operation Zet, which included several thousand airmen and ground crew of the Soviet Volunteer Group. This country's 34th "Black Bat" Squadron worked with the CIA to conduct reconnaissance and infiltration missions over a neighboring country in the 1950s and 60s. This country was the first to use air-to-air missiles in combat, which were covertly delivered by the U.S. to defend its (\*) Matsu and Kinmen islands from the PLA. Only the first of three American Volunteer Groups were successfully deployed to support this country in December 1941. For 10 points, the "Flying Tigers" were organized to aid which country during WWII?**

ANSWER: **Republic of China** [or **ROC**; or **Republican China** or **Nationalist China** or **Zhōnghuá Mínguó**; accept **Kuomintang** or **Guómíndǎng** or **KMT** or **GMD**; accept **Taiwan**; prompt on **China** or **Zhōngguó**; reject "People's Republic of China" or descriptions of communist China]

<Andrea, WHist>

21. *Note to players: This tossup is a before-and-after. Despite its hidden location within the White Palace, this trail receives over 190,000 visitors a year in its downtown sections. The idea for this trail was first introduced in a 1963 letter to the Chicago Tribune by May Theilgaard Watts in which she wrote, (\*) "To witness secrets sealed, one must endure the harshest punishment."* Although Elroy Sparta State Trail in Wisconsin was finished first, this route was the first proposed rail-to-trail project in Halloweenst. Upon reaching this trail's terminus in Wheaton and defeating two Kingsmoulds, a cutscene plays in which the Hollow Knight shares a moment with their father. For 10 points, name this rail trail in DuPage County infamous for being covered in sawblades.

ANSWER: Illinois **Prairie Path of Pain** [accept Illinois **Prairie Path** AND **Path of Pain**]  
<Alex, B&A Trash/Geo>

22. *Description acceptable.* A type of this event is theorized to have been caused by the 2004 Indian Ocean Earthquake, with a similar one of these events theorized to have been caused 60 years prior by the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Another event of this type led to a successive chain of events of this type that saw the introduction of Buddhist and Taoist groups into Gensokyo. Several events of this type are related to weather and the seasons, such as when the sun was blocked out by a Scarlet Mist or when all four seasons were present in Gensokyo at the same time. In the video game (\*) *Touhou* (“toe-hoe”) *Imperishable Night*, the namesake event of this type was actually caused by the protagonists in order to investigate the actual event of this type, where the moon in the night sky was replaced with a fake one. For 10 points, name these types of events that the plot of Touhou games revolve around which the playable characters attempt to resolve.

ANSWER: **incidents** [or **ihen** or **unusual event** or **strange occurrence** or **strange phenomenon** or **something abnormal**]; accept equivalent words or descriptions of an event being out of the ordinary  
<Alice, OFA>

23. In an episode of *Brooklyn Nine-Nine*, Raymond Holt throws these items in celebration after learning of Madeline Wuntch’s death. In a scene from *The Devil Wears Prada*, Emily asks if someone had eaten one of these items, which would explain the foul smell in Miranda Priestly’s office. In another episode of *Brooklyn Nine-Nine*, one of these foodstuffs is (\*) lit on fire and thrown into a trash can to start the Jimmy Jab Games. The question’s author jokes that in their hometown, people either go to church on Sunday mornings or purchase this foodstuff from a local shop. For 10 points, name this foodstuff, whose Montreal variety has a larger hole in the center than its New York counterpart.

ANSWER: **bagels** [accept onion **bagels**]  
<Simarya, OFA>

24. After arresting and defenestrating their political rival Atanasio Ndongo Miyone, this person took photographs of their opponent dying on the street which he later shared with Newsweek. This person allegedly burned most of his country’s reserves amounting to around 100 million US dollars. Along with a heavy abuse of cannabis and other drugs, this president’s inner circle believed him to be a psychopath, influencing his actions like banning the Catholic Church and declaring himself God. On Christmas Eve, this dictator rounded up 186 alleged dissidents to execute them inside the National Football Stadium in (\*) Malabo while loudspeakers played Mary Hopkin’s “Those Were the Days.” This dictator was executed by firing squad in the infamous Black Beach Prison after being sentenced to death 101 times. For 10 points, name this deposed first president of Equatorial Guinea.

ANSWER: Francisco Macías **Nguema** [or Mez-m **Ngueme**; or Masie **Nguema** Biyogo Ñegue Ndong]  
<Gavin, WorldHist>

25. This artist allowed fans who could find Pontiac G6’s he had hidden across the country to listen to his new album early. That album ends with an emotional bonus track about the sacrifices it takes to make it, in which this artist’s father drops a verse starting, “This my son, he came from deez nuts.” This artist laments a fractured relationship with a sibling on a song that demands, “Send me all the money that I gave you over Cash App” and on which James Blake sings, “Just remember, remember who I am” in the chorus. The song (\*) “Sistanem” appears on an album by this artist where a Mos Def verse is introduced by saying, “And now, a word from our ancestors.” This artist discusses a friend who is “doin’ four plus eight without a court date” on a song where [emphasize] another artist referenced Sean Combs with the line, “He didn’t just spell the word ‘rapper’ and leave out a P, did he?” A viral song by this artist samples Aretha Franklin’s “One Step Ahead” and includes a short Baby Tate feature that is cut off by static. For 10 points, name this Atlanta rapper whose album *The Forever Story*

includes “Dance Now” and “Surround Sound.”

ANSWER: **JID** [or Destin Choice **Route**]

<Yaj, AFA>

26. **During one performance, a member of this band tried to crowd surf, but ended up falling straight on the floor. That same member of this band famously performed at their first live concert inside a mango box. This band’s latest EP featured four songs, one for each of the members to sing as the lead vocals. One song by this band begins by asking if another day is coming to an end, before declaring that they will try to change themselves, even if it is a little. This band’s most common performance venue is (\*) *Starry* in Shimokitazawa, although they have started playing at other venues like Shinjuku *Volt*. This band covered two different Asian Kung-Fu Generation songs as a part of their discography, with their lead guitarist as vocals rather than Kita Ikuyo. For 10 points, what band from *Bocchi the Rock!* is behind the songs “That Little Sea” and “Guitar, Loneliness, and Blue Planet”?**

ANSWER: **Kessoku** Band [prompt on *Bocchi the Rock!*]

<Alan, AFA>

27. **The reward for achieving 100% completion in this game is the “Newborn” version of another playable character. The only playable character in this game with bombs is the Berserker, but other characters can equip the Fireworks item for a similar ability. In this game, an extra ability that helps the player find quests in the overworld can be purchased in front of the Prancing Pony. Like other games in the series, each level in this game features 10 collectible (\*) minikits in the form of treasure chests. Mithril bricks are used in this game to forge items that give special abilities when equipped. This game’s bonus level sets the player in a micro-scale Middle-earth as Sauron, with the objective being to collect one million studs. For 10 points, name this video game by Traveller’s Tales based on a J.R.R. Tolkien fantasy series and themed around a building toy.**

ANSWER: **LEGO The Lord of the Rings** [prompt on *Lord of the Rings*]

<Rosie, OFA>

28. *Note to players: Full title required.* **While working for a bar called the Cafe Bizarre, this album’s band got fired on the spot after playing the second to last song featured on this album. The lead singer of this album’s band invented the ostrich tuning, where all guitar strings are tuned to (\*) the same note, which was used in two songs on this album. An article published in 2017 reveals that a superfan of this album owned 800 copies of the album. Brian Eno once joked that while this album sold 30,000 copies, “Everyone who bought one of those 30,000 copies started a band.” For 10 points, name this 1967 album that is sometimes cited as the original art rock record with influences spanning multiple subgenres and features Lou Reed as one of its two lead singers.**

Answer: **The Velvet Underground and Nico** [prompt on *The Velvet Underground*]

<Erik, AFA>

29. **These devices, which were invented by Karl Swartzel at Bell Laboratories, initially had a design of three vacuum tubes that was used in the SCR-584 anti-aircraft radar system during World War II. A thirty-picofarad capacitor is used to offset frequency instability via the Miller effect in these devices’ popular Fairchild  $\mu$ A741 (“mu-A-7-4-1”) model. These devices operate linearly within the bounds of their power supply voltages, outside which they exhibit saturation. Negative (\*) feedback circuits with these devices are distinguished by whether the output terminal is connected to the inverting or non-inverting inputs, whose voltage difference is assumed to be zero. These devices are represented on schematic diagrams as triangles with five pins. For 10 points, name these circuit elements named for their ability to perform analog tasks like addition and multiplication via a voltage gain.**

ANSWER: **operational amplifiers** [or **op amps**; prompt on partial answers]

<Yaj, OtherSci>

30. For years, this person unknowingly listened to a song that was about killing their own relatives. This person's ancestors had to change their family name to one meaning "sacred room" due to a naming taboo. A relative of this person orchestrated the murders of three separate (\*) emperors, however that dynasty still remained in power. This person has an amulet that contains a piece of wood containing a piece of the soul of an ancestor who led a battle that resulted in an emperor drowning at the straits of Shimonoseki. For 10 points, name this quizbowler who is related to two noble families that are both cadet branches of royal families from Japan and Vietnam.

ANSWER: Alice Ton Nu [accept Yui Minamoto; prompt on Ton That] (*Line 1 refers to the Tonyare Bushi, an anti-Tokugawa clan song, which is a cadet branch of the Minamoto clan. Line 2 refers to the Ton That family changing their name's characters from "Imperial Clan" to "Sacred Room". Line 3 refers to Ton That Thuyet and the Nguyen Dynasty. Line 4 refers to Minamoto no Yoshitsune and the Battle of Dan-no-ura. Line 5 refers to the Minamoto clan and the Ton That clan, both cadet branches of the Imperial Family of Japan and the Nguyen Dynasty respectively.*)

<Alice, Whist>

31. One team based in this city was home to the only two-time Widowmaker 1v1 champion during the duration of the Overwatch League, who won in both 2019 and 2020. That player's gamertag is paired with Philadelphia Fusion's Carpe, Diem. This city holds the most Mid-Season Invitational titles with four, with one team winning the inaugural MSI and another winning in 2018, 2021, and 2022. (\*) XiaoHu became the only player to win international titles in multiple different positions with RNG, a team based in this city. A team from this city featuring Fate, Void, and Lip would complete a remarkable turnaround to win the 2021 Overwatch League championship. For 10 points, what city is home to Edward Gaming, Royal Never Give Up, and a team that went winless in their first season, the 0-40 Dragons?

ANSWER: Shanghai, China

<Alan, Sports>

32. This musical group owns a branded manhole cover. Two members of this group are rumored to be in a relationship, which may be a reference to the convenience store 7/11. A different two members of this group have names which differ only by an "H." At the start of one music video by this group, one of its members, Barry, proffers a red needle and uses it to spew the rest of this group out. This group's name is ontologically incorrect, as one of the members is a (\*) girl despite claiming that "I have the penis of a man" during their breakout hit's bridge. During one verse of that song, Abraham-H and Constantine sing "[this band] the biggest boy band and that's for sure, more boys than I think you've ever seen before". For 10 points, "Girl You Need A Shot [of this band]" is by what outsized boy band featuring Steve Smith from *American Dad*?

ANSWER: Boyz 12 [or B12]

<Euan, AFA>

33. Actors in this film took Japanese lessons so that they were able to speak for select scenes, to which Japanese journalists at the Cannes Film Festival praised one of the actresses for her proficiency. In the first part of this film, the movie briefly shows Katsushika Hokusai's painting *The Dreams of the Fisherman's Wife*. During one of this film's love scenes, the directors took steps to ensure privacy and comfort for the actresses by having only one female (\*) crew member holding the boom mic during the shooting of the scene. One of the main characters in this film is named after a famous Japanese actress named Hideko Takamine while another character is named after the author of the novel that the film is inspired by. For 10 points, name this 2017 Korean film inspired by Sarah Waters's 2002 novel about a Korean pickpocket who falls in love with a Japanese heiress.

Answer: The Handmaiden [or Agassi or The Lady]

<Erik, Film>

34. **The majority of characters that appear in this franchise’s first installment ended up being cut out of it later on for being too flat. In one instance in this franchise, a character asks how to spell “Addis Ababa” while her brothers talk about being shipped off “to somewhere you’ve never heard of”. A running joke in this franchise involves the continued referencing of zambonis, including one notable instance where several of them exit a cave at a certain time of night. A character in this franchise lives in (\*) Needles, California, and constantly looks for opportunities to wear his “Mickey Mouse Shoes”. A different character in this series receives his nickname after being called a repeat of one of his older siblings—that character is Rerun Van Pelt. For 10 points, name this series whose characters include Schroeder, “Pig-Pen”, and the unseen Red Baron, a comic strip created by Charles Schulz.**

ANSWER: **Peanuts**

<Sasha, Amlit>

35. **Note to players: This tossup is a before-and-after. This flora was initially published only 8 years after its author’s birth in 1985 in British Columbia. This database’s author is known for her numerous line drawings, as well as for her appearance in *Grease: Live*. This book’s second edition, subtitled (\*) *Vascular Plants of California*, was published in 2012, 5 years after its author’s appearance on Canadian Idol. After playing Cinderella on Broadway, this book’s author released her third studio album, *Emotion*, which includes information about nearly 8,000 taxa. For 10 points, the author of what eponymously named botanical guide is best known for her single “Call me Maybe”?**

ANSWER: **Carly Rae Jepsen Manual**

<Alex, B&A OtherAc>

36. **Many of the earliest of these texts are by an unknown author, including 5 of these texts which are identical. The only one of these texts to contain a foreword spends its entire length debunking that foreword. One antithesis of these texts proclaimed a royal decree on the “Kings Day”. In October (\*) 2024 these texts shifted to a less widespread audience, though they still occasionally use their previous distribution method. Inexplicably, recent examples of these texts have drawn responses of seemingly random country flags. In winter 2025 these texts alternated between mentioning two destinations, due in part to an overhaul of the UW room scheduler. For 10 points, name these texts usually published twice a week, which indicate that UW Quizbowl members should go to Savery at 7 pm.**

ANSWER: **UWQB practice announcements** [accept equivalents, prompt on **UWQB announcements**]

<Euan, UWQB>

37. **A letter by this author recounts visiting convicts at an island penal colony. That trip inspired a short story by this author in which the title soldier’s body is gnawed at by a shark. One of this author’s characters, who has long viewed women as a “lower race,” ponders the double life he lives as he explains why there is no thunder in the winter to his daughter. That work by this author concludes by stating that “the (\*) hardest, the most complicated part was only just beginning.” Moscow banker Dmitri Gurov meets the title character in Yalta in a work by this author that Vladimir Nabokov called “one of the greatest stories ever written.” A play by this author ends as an aging butler is abandoned at the title estate, where axes can be heard chopping down trees offstage. For 10 points, name this Russian author of “The Lady With the Dog” and *The Cherry Orchard*.**

ANSWER: Anton **Chekhov** [or Anton Pavlovich **Chekhov**]

<Yaj, Eurolit>

38. **In one game in this genre, a girl dreams of seeing her brother again as a faceless tall stick creature while in a coma. The player helps grow a tree that eventually returns the girl back to the real world in that same game’s ending. Games in this genre can be classified as vertical scrollers, such as one game that features ULTIMA and World’s End levels. Another game in this genre was nicknamed the (\*) “washing machine game” for its unique layout and method of playing. Rayark Games is a notable publisher of games in this genre, including**

DEEMO, Cytus, and Sdorica. Many arcade games in this genre have a folder dedicated to Touhou and NICONICO charts. Many games in this genre revolve around a 16 year old blue haired girl and her friends. The slogan of one game in this genre urges its players to “click the circles.” For 10 points, what genre of games includes arcade games such as CHUNITHM, MaiMai, and Dance Dance Revolution?

ANSWER: rhythm games

<Alan, OFA>

39. **In one film, a musician learns of the use of one of these objects after picking up a phone outside of Johnnie’s Coffee shop. In that same film, the main character, played by Anthony Edwards, only finds out about the use of one of these objects due to oversleeping and missing a date. It is not a type of vehicle but, in a 1990 film, a character’s ethnicity is discussed as a possible reason for defection after learning of his disappearance with one of these objects. In that film, despite playing a Soviet (\*) Lithuanian, one actor uses his native Scottish accent. In one film, while attempting to repair electrical wiring, Major T.J King Kong sits atop one of these objects. Shortly after successful repairs, this object is dropped from the sky with Kong atop it, prompting him to wave his cowboy hat as this object descends to the ground. For 10 points, name this weapon, which the detonation of one in a Christopher Nolan biopic causes complete silence.**

ANSWER: nuclear bomb [prompt on bomb or missile]

<Connor, Film>

40. **Kohsuke Kindaichi is a popular character in Japanese literature of this occupation, even to the point of having his own film adaptations in the 70s. In a 1924 silent comedy film, Buster Keaton falls asleep and dreams that he walks straight into the (\*) movie screen to play a character of this occupation. In the beginning of a 1941 English novel, the protagonist of this profession takes a holiday in Devon and finds a former actress flirting with a man named Patrick Redfern. For 10 points, name this profession of famous characters like Columbo, Philip Marlowe, and Nancy Drew.**

Answer: detective [accept police detective or Dick or private eye or sleuth or crime investigator].

<Erik, Otherlit>

41. **Henderson et. al 2020 was a highly cited paper about the “climbing” problem that can occur during this chemical reaction. A “Tunnel Chamber,” which uses counter current flow between products and reactants, is often used for large scales of this reaction. The company MonoSol developed a polyvinyl alcohol matrix that can be used to simplify this reaction without needing to be removed part way through (\*). Dr. Gronkowski made the public announcement “what the heck is going on people” after a video showing laboratory misuse of a quick start reagent pack for this chemical reaction surfaced online. Perchloroethylene is a common alternative solvent for this reaction—that reaction is called its “dry” form. They aren't centrifuges, but devices designed for this reaction typically spin between 1000 and 1600 RPM in order to wick away excess moisture. Depending on the flask used, it may be necessary to add quarters or use an app to add energy into this reaction. For 10 points, what common chemical reaction may involve a softener in addition to detergent, water, and clothing?**

ANSWER: doing the laundry [accept washing clothing or equivalents, prompt on washing]

<Euan, Chemistry>

42. **This country’s military stole an enemy P-12 radar installation during Operation Rooster-53 by disassembling it and loading it onto helicopters. Supporters of this country’s independence worked with the Panamanian government to create a fake airline to smuggle weapons stolen from U.S. military bases. Other aid principal to the founding of this country’s military was secretly provided by Czechoslovakia, which included 60 ex-British fighter planes painted in Yugoslav markings. Al Schwimmer, who founded this country’s primary aerospace defense company, organized a plan to smuggle 30 surplus B-17 bombers from the Azores to this country, circumventing an American arms embargo. Agents of this country infiltrated a Swiss facility in order to steal design plans for the Mirage 5 fighter-bomber, whose sale to this country was**

**cancelled due to a French arms embargo. That same embargo led to this country colluding with various businessmen to dupe the French into allow this country to steal five missile boats built for them being held in (\*) Cherbourg. For 10 points, an Iraqi MiG-21 was stolen during Operation Diamond by agents of what country's Mossad?**

ANSWER: The State of **Israel**

<Andrea, WHist>

**43. If EA Miendlarzewska's theory of musical training and childhood brain development is to be applied to American children, Tony Hawk's second divorce could be cited as a primary instigator of this band's creation. Pitchfork's retrospective 2025 description of this band's self-titled album as a "holy text" within its genre was met with mixed reactions among its genre's primary audience. A sequel album sees one member of this band proclaim the end of their bloodline in one song by "popping these hormones (\*)... that's what's up"; that song is "everybody's eyes." The declaration "there was a period of time you were my only friend" punctuates a song where the singer mournfully reflects on an abusive situation who they still think "deserve[s] a good life" by this musical duo. For 10 points, what hyperpop duo behind tracks like "credit card knife" and "mos thoser" consists of American artists Gupi and Fraxiom?**

ANSWER: **Food House**

<Ben, AFA>

1. Once described as the “Beauty and the Beast of Westerns” by Francois Truffaut, *Johnny Guitar* features this iconic actress as the Gun-Queen of the Arizona Frontier! For 10 points each:

[10m] Name this actress that stars in *Johnny Guitar*, who is best known for films like *Mildred Pierce* and *Whatever Happened to Baby Jane*, the latter of which revitalized both her and Betty Davis’s careers after their alleged on-set rivalry.

ANSWER: Joan **Crawford**

[10e] *Johnny Guitar* was directed by Nicolas Ray, who also directed films like *They Live By Night*, *In a Lonely Place*, and this 1955 coming-of-age melodrama starring James Dean about a teenager with a troubled past moving into a new town.

ANSWER: ***Rebel Without a Cause***

[10h] The film’s main theme, composed by Victor Young, was influenced by Spanish Dance No. 5: Andaluza by this Spanish classical composer.

ANSWER: Enrique **Granados** [or Pantaleón Enrique Joaquín **Granados** Campiña]

<Erik, Film>

2. This woman founded a religious organization known for inventions such as the screw propeller, Babbitt metal, and automatic spring. For 10 points each:

[10h] Name this founder and leader of the Shakers. This woman’s followers referred to her as “Mother,” since this woman claimed she was the female incarnation of Christ on Earth.

ANSWER: Ann **Lee**

[10e] While this Ethiopian emperor did not claim to be Jesus and disapproved of claims that he was, the Rastafari movement believes that this emperor is the Second Coming. This emperor was a member of the Eastern Orthodox Church and took power in 1930.

ANSWER: Haile **Selassie I**

[10m] William Davies claimed his son was the reincarnated Jesus Christ, and that he himself was the reincarnation of this archangel. This archangel acted as the advocate of Israel and prevented Isaac from being sacrificed by his father.

ANSWER: **Michael**

<Simarya, Religion>

3. Answer the following about video games that place the player in military command, for 10 points each:

[10h] This game places the player in charge of a small sector base in Eastern Europe as part of a PMC, fighting off rogue military androids after World War 3 at the beginning of its story.

ANSWER: ***Girls Frontline*** [accept ***Doll’s Frontline***; reject “*Girls Frontline 2*”]

[10e] Both *Kantai Collection* and *Azur Lane* anthropomorphize this type of object, whose examples include the Nagato, the Bismarck, and the Enterprise.

ANSWER: military **ships** [or **warships**; or combat **ships**; accept specific types of military ships such as **destroyers**, **aircraft carriers**, etc.]

[10m] All games mentioned fall under this general category of game, where players spend in-game currency for chances at gaining powerful units. One could argue *Clash Royale* falls under this classification of game.

ANSWER: **Gacha** games

<Alan, OFA>

4. A fire caused by a fuel leak aboard a spacecraft of this type in 1983 led to the first and thus far only crewed deployment of an ejection system prior to launch. For 10 points each:

[10m] That crew was aboard the T-10-1 spacecraft of this type. This spacecraft type has been the primary Soviet and Russian crewed ascent vehicle since the 1960s. Following the Space Shuttle’s retirement, it was briefly the ISS’s only crew delivery method.

ANSWER: **Soyuz**

[10e] During STS-9, this Space Shuttle suffered a fuel leak and subsequent fire that destroyed two of its three auxiliary power units, taking it out of commission for over two years. This Shuttle would be destroyed during reentry in 2003 due to an undetected breach of its heat shield.

ANSWER: **Columbia** [or **OV-102**]

[10h] In 2006, this launch vehicle would be destroyed shortly after liftoff by a fuel fire, which caused it to roll over before crashing into the sea. This spacecraft was the first ever launched by SpaceX.

ANSWER: **Falcon 1** [prompt on **Falcon**]

<Andrea, Other Academic>

5. As of 2025, only 40 films with more than 20 reviews have received a critic's score of 0% on Rotten Tomatoes. For 10 points each:

[10m] The only animated movie on the list is this 2019 Belgian film from nWave Pictures. The opening scenes of this movie feature an excruciatingly long sequence where Donald Trump's dog chases the title character around Buckingham Palace in an attempt to forcibly breed with him.

ANSWER: **The Queen's Corgi**

[10h] One of the hardest watches on the list is *Dark Crimes*, a film inspired by Krystian Bala, a real-life novelist turned murderer from this country. In the film, Jim Carrey plays Tadek, a misogynistic detective from this country, attempting to solve a similar murder.

ANSWER: **Poland** [or **Polska**]

[10e] *Wagons East!* is a zero-percenter primarily remembered for being the penultimate film of this actor, who died of a heart attack during its production. This legendary Canadian comedy actor is better known for his roles in *Uncle Buck* and *Planes, Trains, and Automobiles*.

ANSWER: John **Candy**

<Lucas, O"FA>

6. Answer the following about not-real people who come from the allegedly real state of Minnesota, for 10 points each:

[10e] The titular character of this novel by real actual Minnesotan F. Scott Fitzgerald attends the state's St. Olaf college before leaving to work on Lake Superior. This work begins after its protagonist moves to Long Island for the summer.

ANSWER: **The Great Gatsby**

[10h] This former Indiana state auditor grew up in the fictional Minnesota city of Partridge, where he was elected mayor and bankrupted the city trying to build a massive complex known as "Ice Town".

ANSWER: **Ben Wyatt** [accept either underlined portion]

[10m] Many fictional Minnesotans appear in 1996's *Fargo*, including this Brainerd chief of police. This woman's husband Norm paints a bird that eventually appears on a stamp.

ANSWER: **Marge Gunderson** [accept either underlined portion]

<Sasha, OFA>

7. The first confirmed combat loss of this weapon system was in October 2022 in Zaporizhzhya Oblast when a 5P85SM2-01 transporter-erector-launcher was destroyed while on the move. For 10 points each:

[10h] Identify this weapon system. In 2017, Turkey initiated the purchase of this weapon system after the U.S. refused to sell them the analogous Patriot system.

ANSWER: **S-400** Triumf [or S-400 **Triumf**; accept **SA-21** Growler or SA-21 **Growler**]

[10m] Turkey's purchase of the S-400 was seen as an operational security risk to NATO, leading to the country's removal from this fighter jet program. This advanced stealth fighter was developed by Lockheed-Martin from the Joint Strike Fighter project.

ANSWER: **F-35** Lightning II [or F-35 **Lightning II**]

[10e] In 2018, this country became the first to use the F-35 in combat when it conducted strikes in Syria, including into an area protected by Russian S-400 units. This country has used its local F-35I variant to intercept Iranian missiles and bomb Hezbollah.

ANSWER: The State of **Israel**

<Andrea, Current Events>

8. *Note to moderator: A normal version of the bonus is listed below for semantic purposes. Note to moderator and players: I am sorry.* Siht sunob sesu esesdrawkcab tub ti nseod't yllautca etaler ot eht gnimeht ro tnetnoc ta lla, dna leef eerf ot rewsna ni esesdrawkcab ro ton. Rof 01 stniop hcae:

[10m] Eman siht laro xes euqinhcet hcihw sevlovni gnikeil a sirotile, detsartnoc htiw oitallef.

ANSWER: **Cunnilingus** [or **Sugnilinnuc**]

[10e] A puorg fo slamina taht ylekil nseod't od sugnilinnuc si siht ylimaf, hcihw sniatnoc snoil, sregit, dna esuoh stac taht og rwar.

ANSWER: **Felines** [or **Felidae**, or **Senilef**, or **Eadilef**, tpmorp on cats or tacs by asking “tahw ylimaf, sugnid?”]

[10h] Siht SU tnediserp ton ylno dah stacesuoh tub osla a tacbob deman yekoms. Yeht osla desu Oidar ot eussi na tnemecnuonna ot pleh etacol rieht tsol tac regit.

ANSWER: Calvin **Coolidge** [or John Calvin **Coolidge** Jr.; or Nivlac **Egdilooc**; or Nhoj Nivlac **Egdilooc** Rj.]

<Euan, yhw>

This bonus uses backwardsese but it doesn't actually relate to the theming or content at all, and feel free to answer in backwardsese or not. For 10 points each:

[10m] Name this oral sex technique which involves licking a clitoris, contrasted with fellatio.

ANSWER: **Cunnilingus**

[10e] A group of animals that likely doesn't do cunnilingus is this family, which contains lions, tigers, and house cats that go rawr.

ANSWER: **Felines** [or **Felidae**, prompt on cats by asking “what family, dingus?”]

[10h] This US president not only had housecats but also a bobcat named Smokey. They also used radio to issue an announcement to help locate their lost cat Tiger.

ANSWER: Calvin **Coolidge** [or John Calvin **Coolidge** Jr.]

<Euan, why>

9. The first movement of this work opens with flute playing the theme [read slowly] B-flat, E-flat, D, B-flat, G, B-flat, C, B-flat, long G, which is later repeated by the strings in a set of variations. For 10 points each:

[10e] Name this G-minor orchestral work by Tchaikovsky whose second movement is subtitled “Land of Desolation, Land of Mists.” Composing this work was famously stressful for Tchaikovsky, pushing him “one step from insanity.”

ANSWER: **Symphony No. 1** by Tchaikovsky [accept equivalents; accept **Winter Daydreams** or **Zimniye gryozy**]

[10h] The melody from the second movement of Tchaikovsky's first symphony was taken from this concert overture, inspired by an Ostrovsky play of the same name which criticizes the merchant class.

ANSWER: **The Storm** [or **Groza**; reject “*The Tempest*”]

[10m] Ostrovsky's *The Storm* also served as inspiration for this Janáček opera. The title character of this opera, as well as the opera as a whole, were inspired by Janáček's love for Kamila Stösslová.

ANSWER: **Kát'a Kabanová**

<Andrea, Auditory Fine Arts>

10. Stonewall's stonewall stonewalls stonewall Stonewall stone walls. For 10 points each:

[10h] Confederate General “Stonewall” Jackson was killed in a friendly fire incident during this 1863 battle. Robert E. Lee won a decisive victory in this battle against the Army of the Potomac, led by the newly appointed Joseph Hooker.

ANSWER: Battle of **Chancellorsville**

[10e] This stone wall was originally built as a Roman fortification, running from the Irish Sea across northern England to the River Tyne. The Sycamore Gap tree along this wall was cut down by vandals in 2023.

ANSWER: **Hadrian's** Wall [or Vallum **Hadriani**; or **Picts'** Wall; or Vallum **Aelium**; prompt on the **Roman Wall**]

[10m] The Stonewall Inn was owned by members of this organization. Many gay bars and similar institutions were owned by members of this organization, who could afford to subvert liquor laws and law enforcement while making money from a marginalized community.

ANSWER: the **Mafia** [or the **Mob**; or the Italian-**American Mafia**, or La **Cosa Nostra**]

<Andrea, Other Academic>

11. Although General Harry H. Arnold stated that the “loss of 60 American bombers in [this] raid was incidental,” the losses incurred led to a pause on all deep-penetration raids until “Big Week” in February 1944. For 10 points each:

[10h] Identify this October 1943 bombing raid that targeted the German ball bearing industry. This bombing raid would be the last major bombing operation over Europe conducted without a fighter escort over its full duration.

ANSWER: **Second Schweinfurt** Raid [or Eighth Air Force **Mission 115**; accept **Black Thursday**]

[10m] “Big Week” was made possible due to the widespread adoption of these devices, which gave fighters enough range to escort bombers deep into enemy territory. These devices were mounted under the aircraft and jettisoned once they were expended.

ANSWER: **drop tanks** [or **external** fuel **tanks**; or **belly tanks**; or **wing tanks**]

[10e] In December 1943, it was also ordered to remove this component from all Army Air Force aircraft, as the improved airflow and reduced weight allowed for an increase in speed and range. The removal of this component gave American planes a bare metal finish.

ANSWER: camouflage **paint** [or **camouflage**; accept descriptive equivalents]

<Andrea, Other History>

12. *Note to moderator: Read this question with a seething rage that has been building for decades and refuses to calm its crescendo.* Name these things that are not members of the order Hemiptera and as such are NOT BUGS! For 10 points each:

[10h] One may be forgiven for briefly thinking that these members of clade Phthiraptera are bugs, due to their similar rostrum. However as the Greekpilled among you may have guessed, these insects lack wings, unlike the half hardened wings of Hemiptera.

ANSWER: **lice** [accept **louse**]

[10m] While these members of Phasmatodea [take a deep breath in] may have “bug” in their name, they are distinctly not. While their body shape often looks like a stylet found on True Bugs, even the longest insect in the world is NOT A BUG.

ANSWER: **stick insect** [accept **stick animal** or **walkingsticks** or **leaf insects**; accept **stick bug** but start frothing at the mouth; accept **Devil's darning needles** if they flinch when you throw something at them]

[10e] BUT FUCKING WORST OF ALL, IS THE ABSURD IDEA THAT THESE SMALL DECAPODS ARE BUGS. NO MATTER WHAT A SHITTY TATTOO ON THE INTERNET SAYS THEY ARE CRUSTACEANS AND THEREFORE NOT BUGS.

ANSWER: **shrimps**

<Euan, Hater Biology>

13. Answer the following about pets in works named after famous literary characters, for 10 points each:

[10h] Sycorax and Caliban are hamsters in a Gary Schmidt novel named for this day of the week, during which Holling Hoodhood is the only 7th grader who doesn't go to a religious school and instead reads Shakespeare's works with Mrs. Baker.

ANSWER: **Wednesday** [accept **The Wednesday Wars**]

[10e] *Two answers required.* In the show *Arthur*, Nigel Ratburn had two goldfish named after these characters from a play by the author of “Endgame.” These two characters meet by a leafless tree and are told by a messenger that Godot won’t arrive tonight, but surely tomorrow.

ANSWER: **Vladimir** AND **Estragon**

[10m] In an episode of “Derry Girls,” a dead dog with this name is believed to have been reincarnated, but in reality, this dog was given away to Maureen Malarkey after Tigger’s death.

ANSWER: **Toto**

<Simarya, Britlit>

14. Answer the following about Andrea’s personal experience with birds in the Pacific Northwest, for 10 points each:

[10m] Until recently, she has only ever seen members of this family of birds that [emphasize] don’t have the family name within their own name. The Northern flicker and Red-breasted sapsucker are birds in this family that she has seen and don’t have the family name within their own name.

ANSWER: **Woodpecker**s [or **Picidae**] (As of March 2025, she saw a pair of Downy woodpeckers, breaking the streak)

[10e] One time while on campus, Andrea thought she heard the call of this raptor species and got excited, but it turned out to be some students playing sounds at a squirrel to record its reactions. The fierce scream of this bird is often misattributed to the Bald eagle due to its prevalent misuse in popular media.

ANSWER: **Red-tailed hawk** [or **Buteo jamaicensis**]

[10h] One of the rarest and most striking species she has seen is this songbird in the family Cardinalidae that are often found in evergreen forests during the summer. Males of this species look a bit like a flame with their vibrant orange heads, bright yellow bodies, and coal-black wings.

ANSWER: **Western tanager** [or **Piranga ludoviciana**]

<Andrea, Biology>

15. “The Mailbox” was a nickname given to an improvised device built during this mission, which was used to connect lithium hydroxide canisters to the carbon dioxide scrubber on this mission’s Lunar Module. For 10 points each:

[10e] Identify this mission, which failed to land on the moon after its number two oxygen tank caught fire and exploded. That accident aboard this mission became famous for the quote “Houston, we’ve had a problem.”

ANSWER: **Apollo 13**

[10h] This space station was placed in grave danger after one of its “Vika” solid-fuel oxygen generators caught fire, spewing molten metal around during its EO-23 mission. This space station was further damaged during that mission when a cargo vessel collided with it while docking.

ANSWER: **Mir**

[10m] Despite the fire, the “Vika” backup generator, as well as the “Elektron” primary generator, continue to be used as the oxygen supplies for this spacecraft’s Environmental Control and Life Support System.

ANSWER: **International Space Station** [or **ISS**]

<Andrea, Other Academic>

16. One mural loosely inspired by this painting sits below a balcony in the Sundari Royal Palace and depicts three sword-wielding crusaders backed by the silhouettes of suns and planets. For 10 points each:

[10m] Another, similar mural inspired by this painting is located in Pre Vizsla’s house on Concordia. That mural inspired by this painting portrays a single Mandalorian crusader surrounded by surreal depictions of slain and suffering Jedi.

ANSWER: **Guernica**

[10e] *Guernica* was the first major anti-war work by this Spanish painter. The Holocaust is depicted in this artist’s second major anti-war work, *The Charnel House*.

ANSWER: Pablo **Picasso**

[10h] Another Mandalorian mural that served as the backdrop for a duel between Maul, Savage Opress (“suh-VAJ uh-PRESS”), and Sidious is directly based on this third major anti-war work by Picasso. This painting, inspired by Goya’s *The Third of May 1808*, was a response to American intervention in its namesake country.

ANSWER: **Massacre en Corée** [or **Massacre in Korea**]

<Andrea, VFA>

17. *Note to players: This bonus is a before-and-after.* Before-and-After can be scary, but that’s ok, I think I figured it out. Answer the following about some real and true before and after questions fact checked by American patriots, for 10 points each:

[10e] This Director of Intelligence of the IRA was a prisoner of war in the Frongoch internment camp, who flew in Apollo 11 around the moon while Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong made physical contact on the surface.

ANSWER: **Michael Collins** [accept **Michael Collins** AND **Michael Collins**]

[10m] Oh it’s called that because they need to be two different parts? Ok, let me try and cook again. Major chess events have taken place in the Villa Marina in this island’s city of Douglas, where James Brown sings about one of these people being lost in the wilderness and bitterness.

ANSWER: **Isle of Man** [accept **Isle of Man** AND **Man** from “It’s a Man’s Man’s Man’s World”]

[10h] Wait, it still wasn’t right? OH, it’s supposed to be before AND after that are different parts. Ok, I promise I’ll get it right this time. This business deal where one person gains while the other loses saw Ned Stark’s head placed on a spike with his daughter forced to look at it.

ANSWER: **zero sum Game of Thrones** [accept **zero sum game** AND **Game of Thrones**]

<Gavin, B&A OtherAc>

18. “We shoot the sick, the young, the lame / We do our best to kill and maim / Because the kills all count the same.” Answer the following about the lyrics of “Napalm Sticks to Kids,” for 10 points each:

[10h] One verse declares that “I can hear them gunships say / There’ll be no [these people] today,” referring to this program which encouraged defection by North Vietnamese soldiers.

ANSWER: **Chiêu Hồi**

[10m] Another lyric claims that “[this company] doesn’t give a shit,” referring to the terrifying effectiveness of the chemical weapons used in the field. This company was the primary manufacturer of Napalm and Agent Orange during the Vietnam War.

ANSWER: **Dow** Chemical Company

[10e] According to the song, this organization has “guns for hire / Montagnards around the fire,” referring to their operations which often worked closely with ethnic minorities in Vietnam. This organization targeted the Viet Cong with captures, torture, and extrajudicial killings under Operation Phoenix.

ANSWER: **CIA** [or **Central Intelligence Agency**]

<Andrea, AmHist>

19. She’s got a sister, you know! Answer the following about the sinkings of the sister ships of famous World War II battleships, for 10 points each:

[10e] This battleship’s sister Musashi was sunk in 1944 at Sibuyan Sea, six months before she herself was sunk during Operation Ten-Gō near Okinawa. This Japanese battleship was the heaviest built in history.

ANSWER: **Yamato**

[10m] Unlike her sister Arizona, the USS Pennsylvania survived the war, but heavy damage sustained near Okinawa led to her being included in this 1946 nuclear test. This second ever nuclear test was conducted at Bikini Atoll and included two detonations, “Able” and “Baker.”

ANSWER: Operation **Crossroads**

[10h] Bismarck's sister Tirpitz would be sunk by Allied aviation in 1944 off the coast of this city, which was [emphasize] not a major German naval base during WWII. This city was the last refuge of the Cabinet Nygaardsvold before it was evacuated to the U.K.

ANSWER: **Tromsø**

<Andrea, Other History>

20. A man remarks, "That's why you stick with the nice chicken," after comparing *ekiben* on a train that stops at "Sendai, Fukushima, Koriyama, and [this location]." For 10 points each:

[10m] Name setting of a "show within a show" whose spinoffs include one about zodiacs and another failed one "Derailed." An ITA Airways flight's diversion to this location was seemingly engendered by a royal decree made by Sam Denby at Pistori Palace in Bratislava.

ANSWER: The **Snack Zone**

[10e] The Snack Zone is a recurring segment on this travel show by Wendover Productions. Its primary cast includes Denby alongside Ben Doyle and Adam Chase.

ANSWER: **Jet Lag: The Game**

[10h] Sam somewhat accurately predicted Adam's reaction to this snack, which he described as "one of the most medium-tasting things I've ever had" in a season 10 Snack Zone. In two separate challenges that season, Ben ate one of these snacks off of his own forehead and sliced another in half with his Lego VIP card.

ANSWER: **Tim Tams**

<Yaj, OFA>

21. This film's protagonist is repeatedly challenged by engine flameouts due to jet wash, which real-life F-14 pilots also experienced frequently due to the insufficient design of its TF30 turbofans. For 10 points each:

[10e] Names this film, which follows Maverick and his RIO Goose during their training at the title Navy Strike Fighter program.

ANSWER: **Top Gun**

[10m] Goose, like some real life pilots, is killed after his F-14 entered one of these aerodynamic stalls, which were frequent and considered unrecoverable on the Tomcat by the Navy. These stalls involve angles of attack approaching 90 degrees and autorotation.

ANSWER: **flat spin** [prompt on **spin**]

[10h] During the filming of *Top Gun*, this stunt pilot and camera man was killed when he failed to recover from an intentional spin. That spin that killed this pilot was used to gather footage for the spin that killed Goose.

ANSWER: Art **Scholl** [or Arthur Everett **Scholl**]

<Andrea, Trash>

22. Urban parks in the Pacific Northwest are often subject to storm damage. For 10 points each:

[10e] A catastrophic flood in 2017 disabled this park's West Point Treatment Plant for several months. This park, the largest in Seattle, is known for nature watching and its history of clothing-optional use in remote areas of its shore.

ANSWER: **Discovery** Park

[10m] The Hanukkah Eve Windstorm of 2006 damaged several landmark western redcedars in this park, including the famous Hollow Tree. This park's northeastern seawall provides stunning views of the Sulphur Piles across Vancouver Harbour.

ANSWER: **Stanley** Park

[10h] A repair cost of \$29 was incurred by a 2024 winter storm that felled the only tree in this Portland park. In 2025, this park's title of "World's Smallest Park" was stolen by a converted street brick in Nagaizumi, Japan.

ANSWER: **Mill Ends** Park

<Lucas, Geography>

23. Samuel Coleridge-Taylor's cantata based on this poem was the first of his works to propel him into fame in the United States, and later would name his son after its title character. For 10 points each:

[10h] Identify this poem. Dvorak's ninth symphony included two movements inspired by this poem, including a scherzo "suggested by the scene at the feast in [this poem] where the Indians dance."

ANSWER: **The Song of Hiawatha**

[10e] Longfellow's *The Song of Hiawatha* took many inspirations from this other epic, including its themes and its trochaic foot. This poem is the national epic of Finland.

ANSWER: **Kalevala**

[10m] The *Kalevala* served as the inspiration for this Sibelius suite, named for the hero of the epic. This suite's second tone poem, *The Swan of Tuonela*, is often performed as a standalone work.

ANSWER: **Lemminkäinen Suite**

<Andrea, OtherAc>

24. I'm using this bonus as an excuse to lore dump about my family from Massachusetts, sorry. For 10 points each:

[10e] My mother took swimming lessons in this body of water in Concord. This pond might be better known for being the namesake of a Henry David Thoreau book subtitled *Life in the Woods*.

ANSWER: **Walden** Pond

[10m] My mom's hometown of Sudbury is the location of this building which claims to be the longest continuously operating inn in the US. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow set a namesake collection of poems at this building that included "Paul Revere's Ride."

ANSWER: **Wayside Inn**

[10h] My mom's youngest brother and his family live in this city, located four miles south of Lawrence. Bush the Elder and Bush the Younger both attended the prestigious Phillips Academy boarding school, which is located in this city.

ANSWER: **Andover**

<Sasha, OtherAc>

25. This mission's commander nearly drowned six years earlier after the splashdown of Mercury-Redstone 4, and would nickname his next spacecraft, Gemini 3, "Molly Brown" as an homage. For 10 points each:

[10m] Identify this mission, which claimed the lives of Gus Grissom, Ed White, and Roger Chaffee. That crew of this mission was killed when a fire broke out during a "plugs-out" test a month before the planned launch date.

ANSWER: **Apollo 1** [or **AS-204**]

[10e] The Apollo 1 fire was likely sparked by an electrical short, but was made virtually inextinguishable due to its atmosphere being purely this gas.

ANSWER: **oxygen** [or **O<sub>2</sub>**]

[10h] Six years prior, this cosmonaut died under similar circumstances when a fire erupted in his capsule during an endurance exercise, trapping him inside. This cosmonaut's death was not revealed until 1980, leading some to believe the Apollo 1 crew could have been saved if NASA had been aware of the incident.

ANSWER: Valentin **Bondarenko** [or Valentin Vasilyevich **Bondarenko**]

<Andrea, Other Academic>

26. POV: You are the author in the year 2013. You are ten years old and fighting with your sister about who's playing on the Nintendo 3DS and who's playing on the older DSi. For 10 points each:

[10e] The 3DS seems vastly superior because it would allow you to play this 2012 release. Lately, you've been spending a lot of time in this game catching fish— especially sharks— to sell to Reese and Cyrus at the Re-Tail in exchange for bells.

ANSWER: *Animal Crossing: **New Leaf*** [accept **ACNL**]

[10h] Mom told you that you have to use the DSi, which is fine, because it means you get to play *Catz*. Sometimes you don't hit "play" on the *Catz* menu right away just so you can hear "Meow Meow Lullaby" sung by this band.

You'll realize a decade later that this band is far more famous for their popular 90's alt-rock, including tracks like "Popular".

ANSWER: **Nada Surf**

[10m] One of your other favorite things to do on the DSi isn't even playing a game— it's using this built in messaging program! On this program, you can send texts and drawings to nearby users, but the only other person you know with a DS is your cousin and he lives in California... so you mostly use it for doodling with the rainbow pen.

ANSWER: **PictoChat**

<Haylee, OFA>

27. This aircraft is the subject of a folk song to the tune of Chopin's Funeral March that begins, "[this type of aircraft] is the world's best airplane, in just five minutes it can take you to your grave." For 10 points each:

[10h] This airliner was developed from a strategic bomber as a "shortcut" to advance the Soviet airliner industry ahead of the West. This airliner's bomber origins plagued it with safety issues, including severe longitudinal instability that caused two near-identical crashes in 1958.

ANSWER: Tupolev **Tu-104**

[10e] MCAS ("EM-kass") was developed for this aircraft type to remain competitive with the Airbus A320neo by eliminating the need for expensive pilot retraining. That system on this aircraft type caused the crashes of LionAir Flight 610 and Ethiopian Airlines Flight 302 in 2018 and 2019, killing all on board both aircraft.

ANSWER: Boeing **737 MAX** [prompt on Boeing 737]

[10m] This wide-body trijet was rushed to beat the Lockheed L-1011 into production, leading to a series of accidents involving the design of its cargo door. American Airlines Flight 96 and Turkish Airlines Flight 981 were aircraft of this type that experienced cargo door blowouts, the latter becoming the world's deadliest plane crash at the time.

ANSWER: McDonnell Douglas **DC-10**

<Andrea, OtherHist>

28. Answer the following about Chinese slang that are based on numbers, for 10 points each:

[10m] In Chinese, the phrase "go and die" or "go to hell" is sometimes rendered as "seven-[this number]-eight." In that phrase, "seven" represents the word "go," while this number represents the word "die."

ANSWER: **four** [or **si**] (the number phrase is 748 (qīsībā), which sounds like 去死吧 (qùsǐba).)

[10e] In Chinese queer slang, tops and bottoms are classified using these [emphasize] two numbers. On the scale between these two numbers, a vers would be considered a 0.5.

ANSWER: **zero** AND **one** [or **líng** AND **yī**; or **líng** and **yāo**]

[10h] This three-digit number is often used in Chinese to mean "idiot." This numeric term is monetarily equal to one "half-envelope," or "bàn fēng", which is homophonous to another term meaning "crazy person."

ANSWER: **èrbǎiwǔ** liǎng [or **two-hundred fifty** taels]

<Andrea, Other>

29. Several of Manet's most influential works were based on or inspired by various paintings that came before him. For 10 points each:

[10m] This early work by Manet is thought to be based upon an engraving of the Judgment of Paris that had originally been drawn by Raphael. This work depicts a nude woman sitting outdoors alongside two "bourgeois" men in suits, a juxtaposition that supposedly led to its rejection from the Salon de Paris.

ANSWER: *Le **Déjeuner sur l'herbe*** [or *The **Luncheon on the Grass***; or *Le **Bain***; or *The **Bath***]

[10e] Manet's *Olympia* depicts a nude woman lying on a bed with a pet at her feet, similar to this Titian painting.

The subject of this painting, generally identified as its namesake love goddess, holds her left hand gently in front of her genitals, unlike *Olympia*, who appears to be "blocking" hers with intent.

ANSWER: ***Venus of Urbino*** [or ***Reclining Venus***]

[10h] This series of paintings was heavily inspired by Goya's *The Third of May 1808*, which is evident in the framing of its firing squad and victims. Versions of this work variously depict the squad as Mexican Republicans or as wearing French uniforms, including a soldier who bears likeness to Napoleon III.

ANSWER: **The Execution of Emperor Maximilian**

<Andrea, VFA>

30. Bringing Anarchy into Quizbowl with this influential 70s English rock band. For 10 points each:

[10m] Name this 1970s punk rock band that features John Rotten as the lead singer and created hits like, "God Save the Queen," and "Pretty Vacant."

ANSWER: **Sex Pistols** [accept **The Original Pistols**]

[10e] The band was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2006, located in this American city.

Answer: **Cleveland**, Ohio

[10h] Besides John Rotten, this second bassist for the Sex Pistols also gained popularity in the press for being arrested for the alleged murder of his then-partner Nancy Spungen before dying of a heroin overdose in 1979.

ANSWER: **Sid** Vicious [or **John** Simon **Ritchie**; or **John Beverley**]

<Erik, AFA>

31. *Note to moderator: Read the lead-in like [Jess](#). "What are you doing? Living at your grandparents' place? Being in the DAR? No Yale—why did you drop out of Yale?"* Answer the following about famous dropouts of Yale University, for 10 points each:

[10m] Ron Darling was set to graduate from Yale University in 1982, but was drafted by this Major League Baseball team a year before his graduation. This team defeated the Arizona Diamondbacks in 2023 to win the World Series.

ANSWER: Texas **Rangers**

[10h] This author was expelled from Yale University in 1805 for inciting a dangerous prank involving blowing up another student's door after having locked a donkey in a recitation room. This author has written novels such as "The Ways of the Hour" and "Precaution."

ANSWER: James Fenimore **Cooper**

[10e] This politician had problems adjusting to the college, and dropped out of Yale in 1963. This man was Gerald Ford's campaign manager for the 1976 election, and later served as George W. Bush's vice president

ANSWER: Richard "Dick" **Cheney**

<Simarya, Amhist>

32. Open your gaming juice and take a swig, gamers! Travis Scott wants you to get these squad wins for the crew tonight! For 10 points each:

[10e] Name this 2017 online game in which you have to kill other players and become the last person standing that was inspired by the success of *PUBG Battlegrounds*.

ANSWER: **Fortnite** *Battle Royale* [accept **Forkknife** or **Forknite** because why not]

[10h] This season 5, Epic-level rarity skin and product of the 2018 collaboration with Samsung is considered to be one of the most expensive skins in the game.

ANSWER: **Galaxy** Skin

[10m] No *Fortnite* history lesson is complete without the fact that in 2020 there was a film screening of this 2010 Christopher Nolan film about the subconscious.

ANSWER: **Inception**

<Erik, OFA>

33. Welcome to a pretty mixed up bonus – mostly about mixing audio and mixed drinks. Answer the following about bar staples and music, for 10 points each:

[10e] A Cape Codder is one name for a drink made of vodka and the juice of this fruit, which also lends its name to an Irish rock band fronted by Delores O’Riordan known for hits like “Linger.”

ANSWER: **cranberry** [or **cranberries**]

[10h] This cocktail bears similarities to grog consumed by British sailors to prevent scurvy, but was invented in its current form at the restaurant Floridita in Havana. In one track on “A Fever You Can’t Sweat Out”, Panic! At the Disco describes a “strip joint veteran” who drinks a “dignified peach and lime” version of this drink.

ANSWER: **Daiquiri**

[10m] This liquor, which is found in cocktails like Metropolitans or Sidecars, also titles a 1972 Looking Glass song about a woman working a bar frequented by sailors.

ANSWER: **brandy**

<Haylee, OFA>

34. Most of you will love this one! Here are some questions about art related stuff shown in the 1975 film *Mirror!* For 10 points each:

[10e] At the end of the film, there is a moving choir piece that plays in the finale titled “Herr Unser Herscher,” the opening piece of *St. John Passion* by this composer of the late Baroque period. Perhaps one of the greatest uses of classical music in film history.

ANSWER: **Johann Sebastian Bach** [or **J.S. Bach**; accept “**The Old Wig**”; prompt on **Bach**]

[10h] Briefly featured in one shot of the film was this portrait painting of a Florentine aristocrat by Leonardo Da Vinci which was acquired in Washington, DC from Franz Joseph II, Prince of Liechtenstein. This is the only painting by Da Vinci available for public view in the United States.

ANSWER: Ginevra de’ **Benci**

[10m] The same director that made *Mirror*, Andrei Tarkovsky, is best known in the West for this 1979 science fiction film about a guide who takes two of his clients on an expedition to a hazardous place blocked off by the military. Don’t let them into the Zone!

ANSWER: **Stalker**

<Erik, OFA>

35. If you can’t get these answers, then there’s nothing you can do. For 10 points each:

[10e] Name this French general who led a series of military campaigns from 1796 to 1815 and temporarily ruled Italy at one point.

Answer: **Napoleon** Bonaparte [or **Napoleon I**]

[10h] Located in Naples, Italy, this French Army officer has his own statue that still stands to this day and ruled as the King of Naples from 1808 to 1815.

Answer: **Joachim Murat** [or **Gioacchino Murat**; accept **Joachim-Napoleon**; prompt on **Murat**]

[10m] After his defeat in the Battle of Waterloo, Napoleon was once more deported now to this island in which the only way of transportation up until 2017 was by sea.

Answer: **St. Helena**

<Erik, Eurohist>

36. A dissonant outburst by the brass in the finale of this work was likened by Rostropovich to “the Central Committee at full strength,” although its composer was “horrified” by the political comparison. For 10 points each:

[10h] Name this aleatoric work which begins with the soloist playing a series of slow, “indifferent” D’s and concludes with a similar set of high A’s played in a more emotive manner.

ANSWER: **Concerto for Cello** and Orchestra by **Lutoslawski** [or **Lutoslawski Cello Concerto**; accept equivalents; reject “Concerto for Orchestra”]

[10m] The Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union was responsible for implementing this doctrine, which punished those who created “art for art’s sake” that did not serve the government. Shostakovich’s second denunciation took place in 1948 under this doctrine.

ANSWER: **Zhdanov** Doctrine [or **Zhdanovism**, or **Zhdanovshchina**; or the Purge of **Zhdanov**; accept Andrei Aleksandrovich **Zhdanov**; prompt on answers mentioning **anti-formalism**]

[10e] Shostakovich's first denunciation in 1936 led him to compose this symphony as "a Soviet artist's response to just criticism." This symphony ends with the entire orchestra playing a lengthy series of repeated A's, likened by Volkov to "forced rejoicing."

ANSWER: Symphony No. **5** by Shostakovich [accept equivalents]

<Andrea, AFA>

37. The Back-O-Wall Rastafarian Settlement was bulldozed to make way for this settlement. Answer the following about unrelated places with the same name, for 10 points each:

[10h] Edward Seaga, who was elected to office representing the CIA-backed JLP, facilitated the creation of this neighborhood in Kingston.

ANSWER: **Tivoli Gardens**

[10e] The Tivoli Gardens is the second oldest amusement park in the world, blending culture and attraction in this city. This capital city is also known for its food like baked desserts and smørrebrød ("sh-MAHR-brooht").

ANSWER: **Copenhagen** [or **København**]

[10m] Tivoli Gardens is also just a garden in the city of Tivoli, which lies just east of Rome in this state.

ANSWER: **Lazio** [or **Latium**]

<Gavin, Geography>

38. I've been playing a lot of *Ticket to Ride* recently so now you all have to answer questions about the maps from its various games. For 10 points each:

[10h] This city in Turkey serves as the most southeastern city on the *Ticket to Ride: Europe* board. This city's position on the map means that aside from an overland link to Angora, its connections involve going north across the Black Sea.

ANSWER: **Erzurum**

[10m] The central city of the "Badlands" section of the *Ticket to Ride: Legacy* board is this former cattle town in eastern Montana. This city is the largest on I-94 between North Dakota and Billings and a common stop on my trips to and from school.

ANSWER: **Miles City**

[10hh] After California receives punishment for its hubris in *Ticket to Ride: Legacy*, the state is populated with several new cities, including this one surrounded on all sides by water and only accessible via bridge.

ANSWER: **Pacific Haven**

<Sasha, Geography?>

39. Mari and Udmurt are examples of two languages in this family. For 10 points each:

[10m] Name this language family, whose most spoken languages include Hungarian and Finnish, and whose namesake mountain range serves as their theoretical "Urheimat".

ANSWER: **Uralic** [or **Uralian**; accept **Finno-Ugric**]

[10h] The term "Uralic" languages is differentiated from "Finno-Ugric" by the inclusion of this smaller language family, whose name is shared with a breed of herding dog and a now-pejorative exonym for the Nenets people.

ANSWER: **Samoyed**

[10e] This language group is made up of three distinct, mutually unintelligible languages – its Northern, Inari, and Skolt varieties – spread across the northern Scandinavian and Kola Peninsulas. It is most closely related to the Finnic languages.

ANSWER: **Sámi** [or **Sápmi**]

<Any, Linguistics>

40. Victor Ninov, notably featured on a video by BobbyBroccoli, had a colorful career as a research scientist. For 10 points each:

[10m] Victor Ninov was embroiled in a scandal during the hunt for this thing, faking alpha-decay chains to claim its discovery.

ANSWER: **Element 118** [accept **Oganesson**]

[10h] Ninov faked the data using this software he created while at GSI, named for a certain animal.

ANSWER: **G.O.O.S.Y.** [or **GSI Online Offline System**]

[10e] The scandal occurred at this institution, which currently holds the record for most elements discovered and has an element named after it.

ANSWER: University of California, **Berkeley** [or U.C. **Berkeley**; accept **Cal**; prompt on **University of California** or **U.C.**]

<Alan, Chemistry>

41. This Bonus contains the Annual UWQB Quad Race. Each grade, delineated by when you started attending UW (years 4 and later are considered to be the same year), will select one participant. The team given this bonus will then select one of the participants, and their placement will give points as follows, 1st is 30 points, 2nd is 20, 3rd is 10, and 4th is 0 points. The race consists of running long ways down the middle of the UW Quad. Precise definitions of the start and finish as well as timing and judging are left to the Moderator. Goodluck!!!

ANSWER: Read the question dingus

<Euan, Euan>