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Round 5

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Tossups

(1) This poet wrote about a man who insists that "good fences make good neighbors." This man ended a poem in which "two roads diverged in a (*) yellow wood" by saying he would pretend that it has "made all the difference" that he "took the one less traveled by." For ten points, name this American poet of "Mending Wall" and "The Road Not Taken."

ANSWER: Robert Lee Frost

(2) This organ secretes vasopressin and renin, and it includes capillary networks surrounded by a Bowman's capsule in its (*) nephrons. Ureters bring urine from this organ to the bladder. Renal replacement therapies like dialysis are used when this organ fails. Blood is filtered by, for ten points, what pair of bean-shaped organs?

ANSWER: kidneys

(3) This modern organization was preceded by a Coal and Steel Community. This organization's Single Market allows the free movement of capital and persons, allowing citizens to work and live in any (*) member country. The United Kingdom voted to leave this organization in 2016, a decision known as Brexit. For ten points, name this organization of countries whose primary currency is the Euro.

ANSWER: European Union (accept EU)

(4) This poet of "I felt a Funeral, in my Brain" wrote that "'Hope' is a thing with feathers" in another poem. This poet wrote "I heard a Fly buzz - when I died" and a poem in which the speaker rides in a carriage with (*) "Immortality" and a being who "kindly stopped for me." For ten points, name this Belle of Amherst, a reclusive poet who wrote "Because I could not stop for Death."

ANSWER: Emily Dickinson (accept Emily Elizabeth Dickinson)

(5) This city's Aeolian Hall was the site of *Rhapsody in Blue's* 1924 premiere. Leonard Bernstein conducted this city's Philharmonic at the Lincoln Center, a venue that includes the Metropolitan Opera House. Ella Fitzgerald built her career at the Apollo Theater in this city's (*) Harlem neighborhood. For ten points, name this city where Radio City Music Hall and Carnegie Hall are concert venues on Manhattan Island.

ANSWER: New York City (accept NYC)

(6) This state's namesake university was founded as a secular school in response to weak leadership at the College of William and Mary. The estate of (*) Monticello was built in this state by one of the eight US presidents to have been born in it. For ten points, name this largest of the thirteen original colonies, where Thomas Jefferson was once governor in Richmond.

ANSWER: Virginia

(7) Dorothy Hodgkin used this type of radiation, as diffracted by crystal lattices, to determine the structure of insulin. Wilhelm Röntgen discovered this radiation, whose energy is between that of (*) ultraviolet and gamma rays. For ten points, name this type of radiation, named for its originally "unknown" nature, that is used in imaging of teeth and bones.

ANSWER: x-rays

(8) This character took the name Vers [VEERS] after having her memories hidden by Yon-Rogg. This character and her best friend, Maria Rambeau, worked with Dr Wendy Lawson on an experimental light-speed engine. This character was teased at the end of (*) Avengers: Infinity War when Nick Fury pulled out a pager to contact her. Carol Danvers is the real name of, for ten points, what heroine who was portrayed by Brie Larson in a 2018 film?

ANSWER: <u>Captain Marvel</u> (accept Carol <u>Danvers</u> before it is read; accept <u>Ms Marvel</u>; prompt on "Carol" before it is read)

(9) The attempted sale of this man's vacated Senate seat led to the resignation of governor Rod Blagojevich [blah-GOY-ah-vich]. This president, who nominated Merrick Garland, Elena (*) Kagan, and Sonia Sotomayor to the Supreme Court, ended Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan in 2014. For ten points, name this U.S. President, the namesake of the Affordable Care Act.

ANSWER: Barack **Obama** (accept Barack Hussein **Obama** Jr.)

(10) The first of this set of principles requires two witnesses and a sincere confession, and is called shahada, the profession of faith. Adherents wear ihram and walk around the (*) Kaaba during a holy trip that these principles require all Muslims make. Sawm and salat are two of, for ten points, what fundamental principles of Islam that require Muslims to make a pilgrimage to Mecca and fast during Ramadan?

ANSWER: Five <u>Pillars</u> of Islam (accept <u>arkan</u> al-Islam or <u>arkan</u> al-din; anti-prompt by asking the player to be less specific on the specific pillars of "shahadah" or "hajj;" anti-prompt on the specific pillars of "zakat," "salat," or "sawm" before they are read)

(11) Satellites in geostationary orbit are placed directly above this feature and, as a result, don't appear to move in the sky when viewed from the ground. An African country with capital Malabo and a South American country with capital (*) Quito are named for their location on or near this geographical feature. Zero degrees latitude is defined at, for ten points, what imaginary line that separates the Earth into northern and southern hemispheres?

ANSWER: equator

(12) This author uses celestial bodies to represent different types of virtue in heaven in another work that features his lost love, Beatrice. In a poem by this man, he encounters Brutus, Cassius, and (*) Judas writhing in the three mouths of Lucifer while being guided through the circles of hell by Virgil. For ten points, name this Italian poet who included *Inferno* in his *Divine Comedy*.

ANSWER: Dante Alighieri (accept either underlined name)

(13) Tunnels under Yucca Mountain were to be built to store waste products from these facilities, which usually include concrete casks and large (*) pools to store their spent fuel rods. Large cooling towers are a common feature of, for ten points, what type of power plant, such as one at Three Mile Island that suffered a 1979 meltdown?

ANSWER: <u>nuclear power plants</u> (accept <u>nuclear</u> alone after "power plant" is read; prompt on "power plant" before it is read)

(14) King Laomedon [lah-oh-may-don] tricked Apollo and this god into building the walls of Troy. This god cursed Pasiphaë [pah-sih-fah-ay] after her husband, Minos, failed to sacrifice the Cretan Bull to this god. (*) Horses were sacred to this god, who lost a competition to Athena's olive tree when he gave a salt spring to Athens. For ten points, name this brother of Zeus and Hades, the Greek god of the sea.

ANSWER: Poseidon (do not accept or prompt on "Neptune")

(15) This is the largest of the countries that won the War of the Triple Alliance. This country was led by two emperors named Pedro, the second of whom abolished slavery with the (*) Golden Law. The Cry of Ipiranga declared this country's independence from Portugal, and in 1960 it moved its capital from Rio de Janeiro. For ten points, name this country whose modern capital is Brasilia.

ANSWER: Federative Republic of Brazil

(16) When preceded by the German root "zwitter" [z'vitter], this term describes a molecule that is simultaneously dipolar. Bases are classified as strong or weak by their ability to completely dissociate into these things; for example, lye breaks apart into hydroxide (*) molecules and sodium atoms. For ten points, give this term for chemicals that have lost or gained electrons and thus have a positive or negative electric charge.

ANSWER: ions (accept zwitterions; accept cations and/or anions)

(17) Elementary operations can be used to convert these mathematical objects into reduced row echelon form, helpful in solving systems of equations. The commutative property does not necessarily apply to multiplication of these objects. The (*) determinant can be found by calculations on the entries in, for ten points, what mathematical objects that are arrays of numbers organized into rows and columns?

ANSWER: matrix (or matrices)

(18) A figure on the left of this painting wears a cameo brooch that may depict Persephone over a polkadotted brown apron, and looks uneasily toward another figure. A strangely ornate window in the Dibble House in (*) Iowa inspired the background of this painting, for which the artist's dentist modeled as a man wearing denim overalls and holding a pitchfork. For ten points, name this painting of a stern-looking couple, created by Grant Wood.

ANSWER: American Gothic

(19) Tennessee politician Harry Burn cast the deciding vote for this amendment. The Silent Sentinels, including Lucy Burns and Alice Paul, protested in favor of this amendment in front of the White House and were tortured by police in (*) 1917. Carrie Chapman Catt led the National American Woman Suffrage Association, which advocated for, for ten points, what Constitutional amendment that guaranteed women the right to vote?

ANSWER: Nineteenth (19th) Amendment to the US Constitution

(20) This character is told the story of "The Walrus and the Carpenter" and is asked "Why is a raven like a writing desk?" at a "mad" tea party she is sent to by a grinning (*) cat that vanishes from her sight. Tweedle-Dee, Tweedle-Dum, and the Cheshire Cat are encountered by for ten points, what Lewis Carroll character who travels through a looking glass to have adventures in Wonderland?

ANSWER: Alice (accept Alice Liddell; accept Alice's Adventures in Wonderland; accept Alice Through the Looking Glass; accept Alice in Wonderland)

Bonuses

(1) Give the following about triangular numbers, for ten points each.

Triangular numbers get their name because they are usually represented in a diagram of dots that form this type of triangle, whose three sides are all of equal length.

ANSWER: equilateral triangle (accept equiangular triangle)

According to a formula involving Mersenne primes, every known perfect number is a triangular number. This smallest perfect number is the third triangular number.

ANSWER: six

The sum of any two consecutive triangular numbers - like one and three, three and six, or six and ten - is always one of these numbers. This fact can be proven geometrically by careful arrangements of the two triangular diagrams.

ANSWER: perfect square numbers (do not prompt on perfect numbers)

(2) Georgia's Cobb County threatened to close several libraries to save just under three million dollars per year in 2018, just a few years after giving away almost four hundred million dollars to help build one of these buildings. For ten points each,

Name this type of entertainment facility. The aforementioned example replaced one built in downtown Atlanta in 1996.

ANSWER: sports **<u>stadium</u>** (accept equivalents; accept answers that specifically involve baseball, such as **<u>baseball</u> field**)

In 2015, this state's former governor, Scott Walker, cut hundreds of millions of dollars in university funding, then months later pledged the same amount of money to fund a new arena for the Milwaukee Bucks.

ANSWER: Wisconsin

The Flames still play in this largest city in Alberta, even though the National Hockey League publicly threatened to abandon this city if mayor Naheed Nenshi, an opponent of a new publicly-funded stadium, won re-election in 2017.

ANSWER: Calgary

(3) This monster's mother is a witch who emerges from her home under a lake to seek revenge after a Geatish [GAY-tish] warrior pulls off this monster's arm, killing him. For ten points each,

Name this monster, the title creature of a John Gardner novel, who terrorizes the mead-hall Heorot [HAY-oh-roht] in an Old English epic poem.

ANSWER: Grendel

Grendel and Grendel's mother are both slain by the title hero of this Anglo-Saxon epic poem. This poem's title warrior promises King Hrothgar [h'ROTH-gahr] that he will stop Grendel's nightly raids on the hall Heorot.

ANSWER: Beowulf

In the poem *Beowulf*, the warrior Unferth gives Beowulf a magical and supposedly-infallible weapon of this type, named Hrunting [h'RUN-ting], to kill Grendel's mother. When it inevitably fails, Beowulf uses a double-edged one of these weapons made by giants to kill her instead.

ANSWER: greatsword (accept war-bill; accept maiche or mece)

(4) The 1895 Atlanta Compromise offered these people basic rights like vocational education and due process in exchange for not seeking the right to vote or agitating for better treatment in daily life. For ten points each,

Name this minority class represented by Booker T. Washington, who announced the unofficial compromise in a speech at the Atlanta Exposition.

ANSWER: African-Americans (accept black people; prompt on "people of color")

Booker T. Washington founded and led this institute, which supported the Atlanta Compromise by providing vocational training in Alabama.

ANSWER: **Tuskegee** Institute (accept **Tuskegee** University)

The Atlanta Compromise was criticized as weak by W.E.B. Du Bois and other co-founders of this American civil rights organization. Thurgood Marshall represented this group in arguments before the Supreme Court, including *Brown v. Board*.

ANSWER: NAACP (accept National Association for the Advancement of Colored People)

(5) Thanks largely to this substance, World War II was the first conflict in which more American soldiers died in combat than from disease. For ten points each,

Name this early antibiotic that was discovered accidentally by Alexander Fleming in a Petri dish. This medicine is still used to treat syphilis, strep throat, and other infections.

ANSWER: penicillin

Fleming discovered penicillin after noticing that his Petri dish, which had been left uncovered, had been contaminated by this general type of fungus. These growths commonly appear on spoiled bread or fruit.

ANSWER: molds

Despite being Gram-positive, this *Staphylococcus* "superbug" has evolved to survive many penicillin derivatives and is a persistent threat in hospitals, nursing homes, and prisons.

ANSWER: MRSA (accept methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus)

(6) In one myth, this trickster ties signal-ropes to his legs so his friends can tell him when they are each done cooking; when all the ropes are pulled at once, this figure's eight legs are stretched long and thin. For ten points each,

Name this long-legged mythical trickster and keeper of stories in Caribbean and early African-American folklore. This mythical figure originated in the myths of the Akan people in modern Ghana.

ANSWER: Anansi (accept Kwaku-Ananse)

Though he is usually depicted as a humanoid trickster, Anansi often appears as one of these eight-legged creatures.

ANSWER: spider

As a trickster, Anansi is often associated in American culture with this hare, the protagonist of many Uncle Remus stories.

ANSWER: Br'er Rabbit

(7) This empire was severely weakened by a civil war declared by Huáscar [h'wah-scar] against his reigning brother, Atahualpa [ah-tah-h'WAHL-pah]. For ten points each,

Name this South American empire whose brief control over much of the Andes was ended by the conquistadors. This empire built a royal estate at Machu Picchu.

ANSWER: Incan Empire (accept Incas)

Conquistadors from this European nation conquered the Incas. This empire established colonies in all of Central America and most of South America.

ANSWER: Kingdom of Spain (accept Reino de España)

This Spaniard led the war against the Incas and ordered the execution of Atahualpa, even though Atahualpa offered to give this man a room filled with gold.

ANSWER: Francisco Pizarro Gonzalez

(8) While posing as Monsieur Madeleine, this man's cover is blown when he demonstrates his immense strength by saving Fauchelevent [foh-shay-lay-vahn] from being crushed by a cart. For ten points each,

Name this literary character, who poses as Fauchelevent's relative in Paris after Inspector Javert discovers his identity. This man is saved by Bishop Myriel after serving a nineteen-year prison sentence.

ANSWER: Jean Valjean [val-zhahn] (accept Ultime Fauchelevent)

Jean Valjean is pursued by the obsessed Inspector Javert in this novel. In this novel, Cosette and Marius fall in love, and the Friends of the ABC die at a barricade during the June Rebellion.

ANSWER: Les Misérables (do not accept or prompt on "Les Mis")

Les Misérables is by this French author of The Hunchback of Notre Dame.

ANSWER: Victor **Hugo** (accept Victor Marie **Hugo**)

(9) In this technique, an indicator like phenolphthalein [PHEN-ol-THAY-leen] is used to determine the point of neutralization. For ten points each,

Name this lab technique that is used to determine the concentration of an unknown solution through the gradual addition of a known solution.

ANSWER: titration (accept word forms, like titrating)

Phenolphthalein indicates a change in acidity by causing the sample to undergo this change. Litmus paper that is held in an acid will undergo this change when it is removed and placed in a base.

ANSWER: change <u>color</u> (accept changing between <u>colorless/clear</u> and <u>pink</u>; accept changing between <u>red</u> and <u>blue</u>)

When using a buret, students are generally taught to read the liquid level by measuring at the bottom of this curved surface of the liquid.

ANSWER: meniscus

(10) The longest American river that doesn't reach the sea, the Bear River, flows through the southwest corner of Montana and southeast corner of Idaho before emptying into this body of water. For ten points each,

Name this lake, the largest in America that isn't part of the Great Lakes system.

ANSWER: Great Salt Lake (prompt on "Salt Lake")

The Great Salt Lake is, by far, the largest body of water in this western US state, whose capital is Salt Lake City.

ANSWER: Utah

The Great Salt Lake is a remnant of this ancient lake that stretched into Idaho and Nevada until a flood event and change in climate roughly fourteen thousand years ago. Another remnant of this lake is a large salt flat of the same name west of the modern Great Salt Lake.

ANSWER: Lake **Bonneville** (accept **Bonneville** Salt Flats)

(11) This artist created a series of twenty-five paintings depicting haystacks in different lights and seasons. For ten points each,

Name this French Impressionist who painted a distinct orange sun in the background of a painting of a *Sunrise* set in Le Havre harbor.

ANSWER: Claude Monet (accept Oscar-Claude Monet; do not accept "Manet")

The haystacks Monet depicted were located in this French commune where Monet also owned a cottage and an extensive garden with a green, Japanese-style bridge.

ANSWER: Giverny [zhee-ver-nee]

Monet painted approximately two hundred fifty depictions of these flowers near the bridge in his Giverny garden.

ANSWER: water lilies (accept water lily; accept nymphéas)

(12) Give the following about the island of Rhodes, for ten points each.

Rhodes is the largest of the Dodecanese Islands, a group of islands in the eastern Aegean Sea controlled by this European country, whose other islands include Lesbos and Crete.

ANSWER: Greece (accept Hellenic Republic)

Rhodes was home to this ancient Wonder of the World, a massive statue of Helios that collapsed in a third century BCE earthquake.

ANSWER: Colossus of Rhodes

The Knights Hospitaller, who were based in Rhodes starting in 1310, were given a papal charter after this eleventh century conflict. This military campaign was called by Pope Urban II in 1095 as aid for the Byzantines against the Turks.

ANSWER: First Crusade (prompt on "crusade" or "the crusades")

(13) Answer these questions about the life of Gautama Buddha, the founder of Buddhism, for ten points each.

According to legend, Gautama's birth was foretold by his mother's dream that a white one of these animals with six tusks and holding a lotus in its trunk entered her right side.

ANSWER: elephant

Gautama lived his early life as a spoiled prince, then became an ascetic beggar, and finally preached this practice, the principle of living moderately.

ANSWER: Middle Way (accept Middle Path; accept Majjhimapatipada; accept Madhyamapratipada)

After eating a meal made by a blacksmith, the Buddha died and passed into this deathless state, the final stage of enlightenment, when a person has escaped from the cycle of rebirth.

ANSWER: Nirvana (accept Mahaparinirvana)

(14) A land ruled by the Nome King lies east of this land, separated from Winkle Country by the Deadly Desert. For ten points each,

Name this fictional land whose Quadling Country, Gillikin Country, and Munchkin Country are governed from the central Emerald City.

ANSWER: Land of Oz

The Land of Oz was created by this American author who wrote about Dorothy, a girl from Kansas, exploring the fictional world in *The Wizard of Oz*.

ANSWER: L. Frank Baum (accept Lyman Frank Baum)

In Baum's novels, Dorothy becomes a close friend of this rightful ruler of Oz, who spent her childhood transformed into a boy to prevent her from taking the throne.

ANSWER: Ozma (accept Tip)

(15) Upon announcing evidence of tiny changes in this radiation, George Smoot noted its importance by saying "if you're religious, it's like looking at God." For ten points each,

Name this type of very faint radiation that is found throughout outer space at a color temperature of 2.726 Kelvin. Studies of this radiation are vital in cosmology.

ANSWER: cosmic microwave background radiation (accept CMBR; prompt on partial answers)

Cosmic microwave background radiation is a remnant of this event, which is theorized to have happened roughly thirteen point eight billion years ago at the beginning of the universe.

ANSWER: Big Bang

The cosmological principle, an important assumption in Big Bang theory, includes the idea that on a large scale, the universe is the same for all observers, a property given this name. This term, from the Greek for "same kind," is also used in physical science to describe mixtures that are the same throughout.

ANSWER: homogeneous (accept word forms, like homogeneity)

(16) Nineteenth century British economist David Ricardo argued in favor of this activity and explained how a country's "comparative advantage" could be used to prosper from it. For ten points each,

Name this activity, which Ricardo argued should be carried out without tariffs.

ANSWER: international trade (accept free trade)

Goods that are sold internationally are known by one of two terms, based on whether your country is sending or receiving the foreign good. Give either term.

ANSWER: exports or imports (accept either underlined word; accept word forms like exporting or importing)

If a country exports less value than it imports, it has a negative trade balance and is operating in this situation, contrasted with a trade surplus.

ANSWER: trade deficit

(17) This novel's title character builds a cross on the "Island of Despair" and inscribes the date "30th September 1659" to commemorate the day he came ashore. For ten points each,

Name this novel in which the title shipwrecked castaway befriends and then sells the slave Xury before getting stranded on an island for twenty-eight years.

ANSWER: **Robinson Crusoe** (accept The Life and Adventures of **Robinson Crusoe**; accept The Life and Strange Surprising Adventures of **Robinson Crusoe** of York, Mariner)

Robinson Crusoe gets back to his old tricks on the Island of Despair. After saving this man from cannibals, Crusoe names him after a day of the week, forces him to convert to Christianity, and indentures him as a servant.

ANSWER: Friday

Robinson Crusoe is by this English author of Moll Flanders and A Journal of the Plague Year.

ANSWER: Daniel **Defoe** (accept Daniel **Foe**)

(18) This lawyer prosecuted Richard Lawrence, the attempted assassin of Andrew Jackson, and he was briefly and politely held captive on the HMS *Tonnant* in 1814 after negotiating with the British. For ten points each,

Name this man best known for a patriotic poem he wrote after he witnessed the bombardment of Fort McHenry during the War of 1812.

ANSWER: Francis Scott Key

Key described the "rockets' red glare" and "the bombs bursting in air" during the bombardment in his poem, "The Defense of Fort McHenry," which is now commonly sung as this patriotic song.

ANSWER: The **Star-Spangled Banner** (prompt on descriptive answers like "the national anthem")

Fort McHenry defended the harbor of this eastern US city, which was named after the noble title of Cecil Calvert, the founder of a colony for Catholics.

ANSWER: Baltimore, Maryland

(19) In 1947, Chuck Yeager flew the *Glamorous Glennis* at a speed of Mach 1.05, becoming the first pilot to break this barrier. Answer some questions about his flight, for ten points each.

Mach 1, about three hundred forty-three meters per second in air, is the speed of this phenomenon that humans cannot hear above twenty thousand Hertz.

ANSWER: speed of sound

The harmonic sounds produced by a musical instrument are multiples of a fundamental one of these quantities, the number of vibrations per second.

ANSWER: frequency

A singer can shatter a wine glass when their voice achieves this type of frequency, the glass's naturally occurring vibration.

ANSWER: **resonant** frequency (accept **resonance** frequency)

(20) A solo for this instrument opens the tone poem *Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun*. For ten points each,

Name this woodwind instrument, a larger relative of the piccolo.

ANSWER: flute

This French composer of "Clair de Lune" wrote Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun in 1894.

ANSWER: Claude **Debussy** (accept Achille-Claude **Debussy**)

The descending and ascending flute solo in *Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun* is often described by this term. A major scale includes seven different notes, but this type of scale will include ascend through all twelve semitones.

ANSWER: chromatic (scale)