

Academic Bowl Contest V
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Round 5

Toss-Ups:

1. Born in Brussels in 1929, she came to America and gained fame in the movies. Her last film was *Always* with Richard Dreyfuss. FTP, name this woman who recently died at age 63, and won an Oscar in her debut in *Roman Holiday*.

A: Audrey Hepburn 10

2. Redivider is one of the larger ones. Smaller ones include radar, level, kayak, dad, and mom. FTP name this type of word, one that is spelled the same frontwards and backwards.

A: Palindromes

3. If he had been thinking clearly, he would have let his brother-in-law present the case for his defense. Then he may have been declared innocent by reason of insanity. However, he defended himself, and was declared guilty of murder. For ten points, who is this man who proclaimed "I am a Stalwart and Arthur is president" after shooting President Garfield?

A: Charles Guiteau

4. The worst hazardous waste site in the country, according to the EPA, is the Lipari Landfill. FTP, in what eastern state, ironically called the Garden State, is this toxic dump located.

A: New Jersey 10

5. Named for a French anthropologist who was an authority on aphasia, he showed that this region of the brain governs speech and language skills and inspired the title of a Carl Sagan bestseller. FTP, for what name are we looking.

A: Broca's Area

6. This feast is celebrated on the 14th day of Adar and is one of several Jewish holidays. It commemorates the defeat of Haman, advisor to the King of Persia by Queen Esther and her cousin Mordecai around 400 B.C. FTP name this holiday celebration.

A: Purim

7. *Imaginary Homelands*, *The Jaguar Smile*, *A Nicaraguan Journey*, *Is Nothing Sacred*, and *Midnight's Children*. These are lesser known works of what world famous author, who has recently decided to come out of hiding and is best known for his *Satanic Verses*.

A: Salman Rushdie 10

8. The Cherokee Indian tribe is famous for its ancestral customs and traditional oral culture. Very few people could read it, but in 1821 the tribe's newspaper was being printed in English and a written script for the Cherokee language. For ten points tell me the name of the Indian who invented this Cherokee alphabet.

A: Sequoyah 10

9. In a typical 150 pound person, there are 27 pounds of Carbon, 15 pounds of Hydrogen, 4.5 pounds of Nitrogen, 3 pounds of Calcium, 1.8 pounds of Phosphorous and 1.2 pounds of various trace elements. FTP what one element makes up the other 97.5 pounds?

A: Oxygen

10. Nietzsche may have written *Thus Spoke Zarathustra*, but he did not invent the name of his character. He actually borrowed it from a long dead religion. For ten points, which religion?

A: Zoroastrianism

11. Dysentery is a sometimes deadly disease whose main symptom is severe diarrhea. FTP, spell dysentery.

A: D-Y-S-E-N-T-E-R-Y 10

12. The largest planet may be Jupiter, but the largest natural object orbiting a planet is this satellite of Jupiter named after the cup-bearer of the ancient Greek gods. FTP, name it.

A: Ganymede

13. This novel follows a philandering surgeon's attempt to choose between Tereza, a bartender, and Sabina, an artist in post-Soviet Prague. FTP Name this Milan Kundera book where Tomas must face the weightlessness one feels when confronted with the meaninglessness of life.

A: The Unbearable Lightness of Being

14. Good help must be hard to find. Otherwise Zoë Baird would be the first female Attorney General. This is also true of the woman chosen to succeed Ms. Baird as Attorney General Designate. FTP, name this Clinton cabinet nominee who withdrew during the confirmation hearings after only a few days for violating immigrant labor laws.

A: Kimba Wood 10

15. She was born in Florence, Italy in 1519. She was married to Henry II and was the mother of Francis II, Charles IX, Henry III, Queen Margaret and mother-in-law of Mary Queen of Scots. On August 24, 1572, she persuaded her son Charles to massacre the Huguenots on the Feast of St. Bartholomew. FTP name this historic figure.

A: Catherine de Medicis

16. One day our friends, Buford and Eula Mae Bumpkins, were driving home to the Downtown Tupelo Traylor Park in their recreational vehicle, The Elvismobile from a trip to lovely Saudi Arabia. As Buford drove, Eula Mae decided to have fun with some things she learned on the trip. She took the number of thieves confronted by Ali Baba, multiplied it by the number of wishes granted by the genie to Aladdin, and subtracted this result from the total number of Arabian Nights. FTP what was her answer?

A: 981 ($1001 - (40 \times 3)$)

17. Her father disinherits her because she lacks the "glib and oily art" of flattery, though her honesty moves the king of France to marry her anyway. For 10 points--name this youngest daughter of Shakespeare's King Lear.

A: Cordelia

18. In issue number 75, released November 17, 1992, this famed character, who first appeared in 1938, died of injuries inflicted in a battle with Doomsday, a deranged supervillain. For 10 points--name this hero killed by DC Comics.

A: Superman or Clark Kent

19. Trained at the Ecole Polytechnique and School of Bridges and Highways, he placed crystals of potassium uranyl sulfate in sunlight to measure their X-ray fluorescence. Who thus stumbled across radioactive decay of uranium and shared the 1903 Nobel Prize in physics?

A: Antoine Henri Becquerel

20. The first man to come down with this disease was Albert Mitchell, an army cook at Camp Funston in Kansas. Within hours 106 more people had come down with it. Eighteen months later, 25 million people had died as a result of it. FTP, name this killer that ravaged the world in 1918 and 1919, killing three times as many people as the four previous years of World War I.

A: Spanish (In) Flu (enza)