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TOSSUPS -- ROUND 6

1. One example would be a quizbowl player ambitious for an MVP award who gets 8 TUs in the first game, but 6 in the second and 4 in the third. In round 4 she gets three right and two -5s. FTP what is this principle of economics defined more exactly as the fact that as one input is increased, while holding all other inputs constant, eventually smaller and smaller additions to output will result.

Answer: **diminishing marginal returns**

2. Born in Cincinnati in September 1857, this Yale graduate entered Ohio politics in the late 1880's. After serving on the Ohio Superior Court for two years, Pres. McKinley appointed him to head the Philippine Commission. Defeated at the polls in 1912, he became a professor of Constitutional Law at Yale and in 1921 became Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. FTP name the 28th President of the United States, whom Teddy Roosevelt's hand-picked as his successor in 1908.

William Howard TAFT

3. After a seventy-year absence from the Western Hemisphere, a major outbreak of this disease occurred in Peru in 1991. The toxin enters the body via the mouth, and after an incubation period of 12 to 28 hours, causes an infection in mucous membranes lining the lumen of the small intestine, causing massive diarrhea, vomiting and dehydration, lowered blood pressure, and a faint pulse, with the skin becoming cold and withered. FTP, name this acute bacterial virus.

cholera

4. Mr. Murdstone; Mr. Creakle; Steerforth; Betsey Trotwood; Dora Spenlow; Agnes Wickfield; Mr. Micawber; Uriah Heep. All of these characters appear in, FTP, what Dickens novel?

David Copperfield

5. He wrote his first opera, "The Bill of Marriage," when he was only 18. It was performed in Venice, followed by two more operas, "Tancred" and "The Italian Girl in Algiers." FTP, name this composer, known for such works as "Cinderella," "William Tell," and "The Barber of Seville."

Answer: **Gioacchino Rossini**

6. According to Herodotus, he was almost burned at the stake when his capital of Sardis was stormed by Cyrus the Great. He had formed a coalition with Egypt, Sparta and Babylon and had invaded Cappadocia. FTP name this king of Lydia famed for his proverbial wealth who misunderstood an oracle that "a great empire would fall" if he invaded Persia.

Croesus (accept either /KREE sus/ or /KRO esus/)]

7. This phenomenon has been called a Spunkie and the Fair Maid of Ireland. John Milton and Walter Scott called it Friar Rush, while Shakespeare called it by its Latin name, *ignis fatuus*. Some legends say it is the spirits of dead children leading travelers astray, and it is also called elf-fire and Jack o' Lantern. FTP, give this name which is metaphorically a misleading hope and which is literally phosphorescent light hanging over swampy ground at night.

Answer: **Will o' the Wisp** (prompt on the alternate names mentioned above, or "fool's fire" or "foolish fire")

8. In 1969 he was credited with the first hit and the first run in Kansas City Royals history, and later that year he won the American League Rookie of Year Award. He was later traded to the Yankees, where he retired in 1984; and in the late eighties he was briefly general manager and also skipper for the Yankees. FTP, name this former Cincinnati Reds manager, who he led that team to the 1990 World Series, who is now the winningest manager in Seattle Mariners history.

Lou Piniella

9. This letter, dated 2nd November 1917 was sent by the then British foreign secretary to Lord Rothschild (chair of the British Zionist Federation) stating: 'His Majesty's government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people.' FTP what is this declaration that lead to the foundation is Israel in 1948?

The Balfour Declaration

10. He removed the last apparent anomaly from the theoretical description of the solar system by showing that lunar acceleration is dependent upon eccentricities of the Earth's orbit. He is also noted for his transform, defined as f of p equals the integral from 0 to infinity of e to the minus pt times capital F of t dt . FTP name this French mathematician.

Pierre Simon Laplace

11. Gaius' 1841 geography says the place is divided into three cities separate from its two counties. Back then it straddled a river and was 10 square miles. Now we think of it as a single city with districts and Alexandria city and county were returned to Virginia. FTP give the full name by which our national capital is properly known.

answer: Washington **District of Columbia**
prompt on Washington D.C.

12. The Cantos of Mutabilitie and 6 books make up this work using 9 line stanzas of rhyme a-b-a-b-b-c-b-c-c. Sir Walter Raleigh helped publish it and persuaded the author to go to London to present a copy to the queen, to whom it was dedicated. FTP name this work in which Gloriana represents Elizabeth I, written by Edmund Spenser.

The **Fairie Queene**

13. He did the world's worst estate planning: he wrote no will, executed his only son for rebellion, and decreed that only he could choose his successor. On his deathbed he wrote, "Give everything to ..." and then his strength failed him. Oops. The ensuing succession crisis didn't fully stabilize until 1762, 37 years after his death. FTP name this tsar, succeeded briefly by his widow, Catherine I.

answer: Peter I or **Peter the Great**

14. It is a major component of industrial catalytic systems such as the BP-Monsanto process. This silvery white metal has the curious property when heated of turning to the oxide, then when heated further reverting to pure form. Discovered in 1803 by William Hyde Wollaston, it takes its name from the red color of its salts. FTP name this element with atomic number 45. **rhodium**

15. The first authorized use of this service occurred in 1911 between Garden City and Mineola, New York. Agreements at the International Postal Convention in 1920 and at another conference held in 1927, decided on a uniform cost was established so countries could carry mail from other countries. FTP, identify this method of transporting mail which uses vehicles made by, in part, Boeing.

Answer: **airmail**

16. Its source is in the Riesengebirge, or the Giants' mountains, in a National Park in the Czech Republic. After Germany's reunification, sixty-six purification plants were built to reduce pollution in its waters. For 10 points, name this 1,091 kilometer long river which empties into the North Sea.

ANSWER: **Elbe** river

17. Born in Monroeville, Alabama, she is only known for writing a single novel. In the novel, a six-year old girl named Scout relates the details of a case in which attorney Atticus Finch, her father, defends a black man who was wrongfully charged with the rape of a white woman. FTP name this author of *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

ANSWER: Harper **Lee**

18. The circumstances of his death are not known, but he founded a religion whose major scriptures are the Avesta, also called the Zend-Avesta. In this religion, daevas, or evil spirits, oppose the ahuras, or good spirits. For 10 points, name this man whose religion contains the evil spirit, Ahriman, and the deity, Ahura Mazda.

ANSWER: **Zoroaster** or Zarathushtra or Zarathustra

19. People who have held it include Scipio Nasica [Nas-EE-ca] and Domitius Ahenobarbus [Ah-hain-o-bar-bus] and now John Paul II. Domitius' son expected to be elected to succeed to it. When this did not happen he passed a law transferring the right of election to the Comitia Centuriata. Julius Caesar defeated Lutatius Catulus for it in an election in 63 and Lepidus succeeded Julius in 44. FTP, what was this priesthood held by every emperor starting with Augustus?

answer: **pontifex maximus**

20. This scientist won the gold medal of the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters in 1907 for his experiments with the vibrations of water to determine its surface tensions. In 1911, he went to England to study with J.J. Thomson and Ernest Rutherford. His interpretation of the meaning of quantum physics has become a basic tenet of science. FTP, name this scientist, the first to apply the quantum theory to atomic structure. Answer: Niels **Bohr**

21. Born in Tasmania in 1909 with the first name Leslie, his formal education was punctuated by expulsions from schools. His first acting role was as Fletcher Christian in a short Australian film called *In the Wake of the Bounty*, released in 1933. Two years later he went to Hollywood where he got his break with the lead in *Captain Blood*. FTP, name this swashbuckling hero of the silver screen, who starred as Robin Hood in the 1938 film.

answer: Errol **Flynn**

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1. *TRAVELS WITH CHARLIE*: Back in late September Charlie was in Charleston for a joyous first among his many travels: this one was on an expense account. Answer the following about his accommodations FTPE:

(a) His hotel, Embassy Suites, occupies the renovated arsenal that was the original home of this college, chartered in 1842 as South Carolina Military Institute. [The **Citadel**]

(b) The aforementioned arsenal was erected to house the city militia in response to the abortive 1822 slave uprising led by this man. [Denmark **Vesey**]

(c) The parade grounds of the arsenal are now a city park named for this ancestor of Charlie's, nicknamed "the Swamp Fox" for his unorthodox tactics during the Revolutionary War.

[Francis **Marion**]

2. Given characters from a play, give the play on a 30-20-10 basis.

(30) Anne, Mrs. Linde

(20) Dr. Rank, Nils Krogstad

(10) Torvald and Nora Helmer

Answer: *A Doll's House*

3. FTP each, name these ancient peoples of South America.

(a) Their empire extended along the Pacific coast and the Andean Highlands, and had its capital at Cuzco. Spaniards under Pizarro arrived in 1532 and quickly conquered them, though some cities like Macchu Picchu were not discovered by Europeans until centuries later.

[**Inca**]

(b) They referred to themselves as Culhua-Mexica, and spoke Nahuatl. After defeating the forces of Teotihuacan, they ruled until the Spaniards under Cortes killed their emperor Montezuma II and seized their capital at Tenochtitlan.

[**Aztec**]

(c) They controlled what is now southern Mexico, Guatemala, and northern Belize from about 250 A.D. until their mysterious collapse around 900 A.D. During their "classic" period they built elaborate temples, created a precise astronomical calendar, and developed advanced farming techniques.

[**Maya**]

4. So how much attention did you pay when the American Film Institute announced its list of the 100 greatest American films of all time? Ben Lea from U-NC-CH wrote this one: There are 6 letters of the alphabet which each begin the title of only one film on the list. I'll give you the letters, you name the films. Letters: H, K, L, U, V, and Y.

answer: **High Noon, King Kong, Lawrence of Arabia, Unforgiven, Vertigo, Yankee Doodle Dandy**

5. Name the capitals of these African nations F5PE and a 5 point bonus for all:

(a) Zimbabwe

(**Harare**)

(b) Ivory Coast

(**Abidjan**)

(c) Uganda

(**Kampala**)

(d) Burkina Faso

(**Ouagadougou**)

(e) Democratic Republic of Congo

(**Kinshasa**)

6. Identify the physical quantity measured by each unit.

1. slug

MASS

2. hertz

FREQUENCY

3. pascal

PRESSURE

7. Answer the following questions about *The Taming of the Shrew* FTPE.

First, for 10 points each, give the names of the Shrew and the man who tames her.

Ans: **Katherine** (or Kate) and **Petruchio**

Finally, for 10 points, name the city in which the play occurs.

Ans: **Padua**

8. Given a famous battle which ended a war in Ancient history, name the war it concluded FTP. or if you need to hear the year, you will receive 5. You should guess after each clue.

A. For 10 points: Zama
for 5 : 202 BC

answer: **Second Punic**

B. For 10 points: Alesia
for 5 : 52 BC

answer: **Roman conquest of Gaul** or **Julius Caesar's conquest of Gaul**

C. For 10 points: Plataea
for 5 : 479 BC

answer: Xerxes' invasion of Europe or **Persian War** with Xerxes

9. Given a city, name the local newspaper with the greatest circulation FTPE:

A. Baltimore answer: **Baltimore Sun**

B. Washington D.C. answer: **Washington Post**

C. Atlanta answer: **Atlanta Journal and Constitution**

10. Identify the composer from his works FTPE:

1. Water Music

George Frideric **HANDEL**

2. Swan Lake and The Sleeping Beauty

Peter **TCHAIKOVSKY**

3. War Requiem and Peter Grimes

Benjamin **BRITTEN**

11. Imagine going down in history as both malicious and incompetent. For 10 pts. each, name the targets of these would-be assassins:

(a) In 1912 "Uncle John" Schrank shot this former President in the chest, but his thick folded speech and his glasses case slowed the bullet so much that he was able to deliver his speech before seeking medical attention.

[**Theodore Roosevelt**]

(b) In the first Presidential assassination attempt, Richard Lawrence's pistol jammed. Onlookers had to restrain this President from clubbing the idiot to death with his cane.

[**Andrew Jackson**]

(c) Within a few weeks of each other in 1975, the only women known to have attempted a Presidential assassination -- Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme and Sarah Moore -- tried to kill this President.

[**Gerald Ford.**]

12. Answer these related philosophy questions for ten points each.

a. This ethical doctrine holds that the end and criterion of public action is "the greatest happiness of the greatest number."

utilitarianism

b. Credited as the founder of utilitarianism even though he did not coin the term, this man wrote "Introduction to the Principles of Morals and Legislation."

Jeremy **Bentham**

c. The term was coined by this son of a friend of Bentham, who wrote the essay "Utilitarianism".

John Stuart **Mill**

13. Given some of its nicknames, identify the U.S. state.

1. Bullion State or Show Me State

MISSOURI

2. Mainland State or The Last Frontier

ALASKA

3. Keystone State

PENNSYLVANIA

14. For 15 pts. each, name these figures involved in the discovery of nuclear fission:

(a) He shared the 1944 Nobel for chemistry with Fritz Strassmann for discovering the phenomenon after bombarding uranium with neutrons and finding barium in the products of the reaction.
Answer: Otto **Hahn**

(b) Hahn and Strassmann being chemists, they were reluctant to speculate that the neutrons were able to split the uranium nuclei in two. They left the interpretation to this Viennese physicist, who'd often collaborated with Hahn from 1907 until forced into exile in Sweden in 1938.

Answer: Lise **Meitner**

15. Name the constellation from the second-brightest star for 10 points or from the brightest for 5:

1a. Shaula

1b. Antares

Answer: Scorpio

2a. Elnath

2b. Aldebaran

Answer: Taurus

3a. Adhara

3b. Sirius

Answer: Canis Major

16. For 10 pts. each, identify the literary work as described in the letters of Alexander Woolcott:

(a) "One of the characters is an amiable and gigantic idiot, so tender that he has to fondle everything he loves and so clumsy that he eventually breaks their necks -- mice, puppies, rabbits, tarts -- whatever he happens to be petting at the moment."

[**Of Mice and Men**]

(b) "If you are reading it I ought to be in the next room so you can...report that you have just met Mr. Pumblechook and Herbert Pocket and Trabb's boy. And I could tell you how Shaw (mistakenly) points to Estella as proof that Dickens could paint a real heroine."

[**Great Expectations**]

(c) "Its narrative has the directness and gusto of Dumas... I was almost through with it when I said to myself: 'God's nightgown! This must be the Peg Mitchell who wrote me once about the little girl who swallowed a water moccasin and the tall man in the wrinkled nurse's uniform!'"

[**Gone with the Wind**]

17. For ten points each, name these casualties of the French Revolution from information about their deaths.

a. When this man was executed on May 8, 1794, he pled that he was a scientist and not a politician, but the arresting officer said, "the Republic has no need of scientists."

Antoine **Lavoisier**

b. This man's July 17, 1794, execution, brought an end to the Reign of Terror.

Maximilien de **Robespierre**

c. Before being guillotined, this first president of the Committee of Public Safety, who opposed the Terror, said, "Show my head to the people. It is worth the trouble."

Georges-Jacques **Danton**

18. Name the six individuals who have preceded Kofi Annan as Secretary-General of the United Nations. You will receive 5 points for each correct answer.

Answers: Trygve Halvdan **Lie**, Dag **Hammarskjold**, U **Thant**, Kurt **Waldheim**, Javier **Pérez de Cuellar**, Boutros **Boutros-Ghali** (prompt on partial answers),

19. What? No South American geography? Given a major city for 10 points, name the country. If you need also to hear the capital you will get 5.

A. 10 points—Valparaiso

5 points—Santiago

answer: **Chile**

B. 10 points—Maracaibo
5 points—Caracas
answer: **Venezuela**

C. 10 points—Cali
5 points—Bogotá
answer: **Columbia**

20. We decided it was ok to have a second Shakespeare bonus in this round. First, given a list of three characters, put their deaths in the correct order of sequence (first to last): Laertes, Polonius, Ophelia.

answer: **Polonius, Ophelia, Laertes.**

Next for 10 points, what Prince of Norway makes an attack on Denmark at the end of the play only to discover everyone dead?

answer: **Fortinbras**

Finally, Fortinbras failed to mix it up with Hamlet in person. Which usurping king would have had to fend off Fortinbras' attack had Hamlet not stabbed him through?

answer: **Claudius**