



## NSC 2019 - All Star Game - Tossups

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*Congratulations to you all on making it to the All-Star Game! You've all proven your prowess with fairly standard academic quizbowl... but now it's time for something different. The first section of this all-tossup packet will consist entirely of goofy ideas. The rules for this round will be slightly modified: the game will be played in these teams using standard PACE NSC scoring (20 point powers, no negs), but each team will have two opportunities to buzz per tossup. Good luck!*

**1. The first iteration of this event opened with 14 people reciting a bizarre paragraph about “a congregational pastor [who] in 1868, later joined the faculty of Western Reserve College, and the Cleveland Medical School.” That paragraph was about the physicist Edward Morley, and was likely written by Emil Thomas (\*) Chuck, who was responsible for inaugurating this event at Case Western. The most recent iteration of this event opened with 48 people reading a paragraph of text about alien invasions, then changing the subject to a strain of Ebola named for Reston, Virginia. For 10 points, what prestigious event’s 2019 iteration was held in Reston, and why is the question going on this long you silly goobers?**

ANSWER: PACE NSC or National Scholastics Championships <Jose>

**2. Pencil and paper ready. A machine that can extract the juice of two hundred oranges in half an hour can be found in the kitchen of a house where each Friday, five crates of oranges and lemons arrive as supplies for cocktails. Bearing in mind that there are probably at least 100 fruits in a crate, that this is the (\*) NSC and there are no comp math questions, and that the cocktails are consumed by the pianist Klipspringer, Owl Eyes, and other attendees of parties on West Egg, for 10 points, name this novel in which those parties are thrown by a lonely millionaire who stares at the green light at the end of Daisy Buchanan's dock.**

ANSWER: The Great Gatsby [accept Jay Gatsby's house or equivalents before "this novel"]  
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**3. Juliet Dusinberre and Jonathan Bate asserted that this quality was possessed by a poem whose speaker prays that the addressee "like the dial day by day" will "lead the seasons**

on". Eric Sams posited an unusually expansive definition of this quality, expanding it to include a work whose title prince of Troynovant turns back an invasion led by the Scythian king Humber. Six works, including (\*) *Lochrine*, were attributed with this quality by Philip Chetwinde, while *Fair Em* and *Mucedorus* were assigned it by the cover of a book in Charles II's library. Henry Ireland asserted that *Vortigern and Rowena* had this quality before he was exposed as a forger. For 10 points, identify this status often attributed to various anonymous 17th-century plays that didn't appear in the *First Folio*.

ANSWER: being written by William Shakespeare <Carson>

4. This performer recorded an "introduction," "intermezzo," and "epilogue" that were included on a 2003 album by Jean-Pascal Beintus; that album, *Wolf Tracks and Peter and the Wolf*, won a 2004 "Best Spoken Word Album" for this man, Sophia Loren, and Bill Clinton. This artist put his indie album *Songs for Raisa* behind a 100,000 dollar paywall, leading many to ask him to (\*) "tear down this wall." For 10 points, name this Russian amateur musician, who sang of "love" and "peace" after winning the Nobel Peace Prize in his capacity as the final leader of the Soviet Union.

ANSWER: Mikhail Gorbachev <Jose>

5. Ruth Plumly Thompson's version of this character helps Dorothy defeat the usurping king Skamperoo in the novel *The Wishing Horse of Oz*. This character names the revived version of an award that was originally named for Uri Geller and is presented on April Fool's Day to various frauds by James Randi. Another version of this character appears in the personal stamp used by John Steinbeck, where it is accompanied by the dubiously-grammatical Latin phrase "Ad astra per alia (\*) porci". A non-fictional version of this character was purchased by Phil Ochs to be the centerpiece of a scene in front of the Chicago Picasso in which Jerry Rubin delivered a speech. The powermark of tossup 1 of round 18 of this very tournament was in the middle of a clue about, for 10 points, what presidential candidate nominated in 1968 by the Yippies, who in many appearances is the literal embodiment of the phrase "when pigs fly"?

ANSWER: Pigasus [prompt on answers like flying pig or winged pig] <Carson>

6. These two actions title a 2018 book by The Mary Nardini Gang. The film *Swoon*, among other sources, make explicit the idea that these two actions were *both* performed by a person who owned one of only three pairs of horn-rimmed eyeglasses with a certain hinge mechanism in Chicago. The lines "we're often described as depraved, decadent and revolting — but oh, they ain't seen nothing yet" caption an edited Thomas Nast cartoon in which a skeleton wearing a sash labeled (\*) "Communes" holds a scroll telling readers to do these two actions. Sue and Maud perform these two general actions in the Sarah Waters novel *Fingersmith*. Definitely one of these actions, and probably the other of them, were practiced by

Leopold and Loeb. These two actions were equivalent in some jurisdictions prior to Lawrence v. Texas. For 10 points each, give these two actions that form a slogan of queer anarchists.

ANSWER: **being gay** and **doing crimes** [prompt on lovers doing crimes] <R. Rosenberg>

**7. Despite its name, the rare Punjab variant of this creature actually haunts the Anglo-Scottish border, and dips its cap in the blood of its victims. A vampire sharing its name with these creatures was created by white supremacists and terrorized DC's New Guardians by infecting them with HIV. These creatures, which warp between relaxed and tense forms and sometimes suffer from (\*) thalassemia, are related to a figure from German myth called the kobold. When these creatures undergo a single glutamate to valine point mutation, they add the prefix "hob" to their name. For 10 points, name these mischievous creatures from European folklore whose name is a misspelling of an iron-bearing protein found in blood.**

ANSWER: **Hemo-Goblins** [prompt on goblins] <Gupta>

**8. One of these features resulted from Thomas Hamer oafishly nominating its owner for a spot at West Point, and stuck because several cadets were reminded of the name "Uncle Sam." The rules of the Screen Actors Guild necessitated several examples of these features, including an unusual one possessed by the executive producer of Futurama and a more commonplace one held by the portrayer of (\*) Marty McFly in the *Back to the Future* films, who suffered from Parkinson's disease. The possessor of the best known example of this feature corrected Chief Justice Harlan Fiske Stone upon taking the oath of office during his first inauguration. For 10 points, name this feature shared by the full names of Michael J Fox and Harry S Truman.**

ANSWER: **fake middle initials** [accept anything that indicates **middle initials that don't actually stand for anything**; prompt on middle initials; do not accept or prompt on "middle names"] <Gupta>

**9. This creature's debut album, *Florida*, is misleadingly named given that it is often found in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming in the Morrison Formation. This creature's tail may have functioned as a defensive weapon in its feud with Joe Jonas over livestreaming Jonas' wedding with Sophie Turner. Possible etymological origins for the name of this creature include the duo it formed with (\*) Skrillex, Jack Ü, or the double-headed chevron bones found on the underside of its tail. This creature's production of the Chris Brown song "Look At Me Now" may have been a reference to the fact that for many years it was the longest dinosaur ever known. For 10 points, name this dinosaur that, with Apatosaurus and Allosaurus, formed the electronic dance music trio Major Lazer.**

ANSWER: **Diplo-docus** <Damisch>

**10. Writing in *Salon*, Will Oremus used this text and statements from Parkland survivors as examples of the idea that "the metadata is the message." PACE Communications Director Dylan Minarik once lucked his way into a bonus part at History Bowl because when he was asked to name a Chilean film, he accidentally recited the entirety of this text, which also happened to be the name of the film. This text was first published on the day Lehman Brothers declared bankruptcy, September 15, (\*) 2008; that date marks the anniversary referred to by a book title that is often shortened to *Mr. Ten Years*. After this text appeared, its author published nothing for nine months, then asked "how do I get cowboy paint off a dog ." Yohann Koshy described this text as "A childish negation – of what? of whom?" For 10 points, recite the entirety of this first tweet by @dril.**

ANSWER: **no** [prompt on @dril's first tweet or equivalents] <Carson>

**11. The notoriously racist senator Ben Tillman sponsored a 1907 act denying rights to these people, a view controversially supported by William Rehnquist in the Bellotti case. A doctrine involving these people originated in an 1889 case involving the tax laws of Santa Clara County, in which it was ruled that the 14th amendment *does* apply to these people. In 2015, Bernie Sanders said that any Supreme Court justice he appointed would support (\*) overturning a decision granting rights to these people. That case originated after one of these people aired a film critical of Hillary Clinton. For 10 points, name these people, whose personhood was reaffirmed by Citizens United v FEC.**

ANSWER: **corporations** <Malouf>

**12. *Players, for this question, you will be allowed to use your cell phone to google the answer to this question.* According to Wikipedia, what *comune* contains the birthplace of the Renaissance polymath Leonardo da (\*) Vinci?**

ANSWER: **Vinci** [antiprompt on Anchiano; do not accept or prompt on "Da Vinci"] <Jose>

**13. According to Leon Edel's biography of Henry James, Henry James's father had to be amputated after he stomped out a barn fire at the age of 13. Amazingly, that also happened to the father of this other writer, a (\*) philosopher best known for tracts like "Essays in Radical Empiricism" and "The Varieties of Religious Experience." For 10 points, name him.**

ANSWER: **William James** <Jose>

*We've once again brought back that party favorite, the action tossup; let's recap how they work. To successfully answer one of these questions, you must physically perform the thing being described. Do not describe what you're trying to do out loud unless I prompt you to do so. Some questions might involve a prop; in that case, miming is fine. Some questions require one or more partners; when you buzz, you must choose your partners and perform the action. You can physically or verbally direct them to do things, but you can't explicitly explain what you're trying to do unless I prompt you to do so. Good luck!*

14. Both a move similar to this one and the Rock's "people's eyebrow" were used in the early 2000s by Bernard "Hollywood" Williams. Several 2012 articles dubiously suggest that this move may have been inspired by a pose the title character makes in the opening credits of the claymation cartoon *Pingu*. After comically cheating to beat its most notable performer, Prince Harry performed an awkward version of this move during a (\*) 2012 visit to the University of the West Indies. "To di world" is the original name of this move, which may have been inspired by circa-2008 dancehall performers. For 10 points, celebrate the speed you exhibited in getting this tossup by performing Usain Bolt's namesake celebration.



ANSWER:

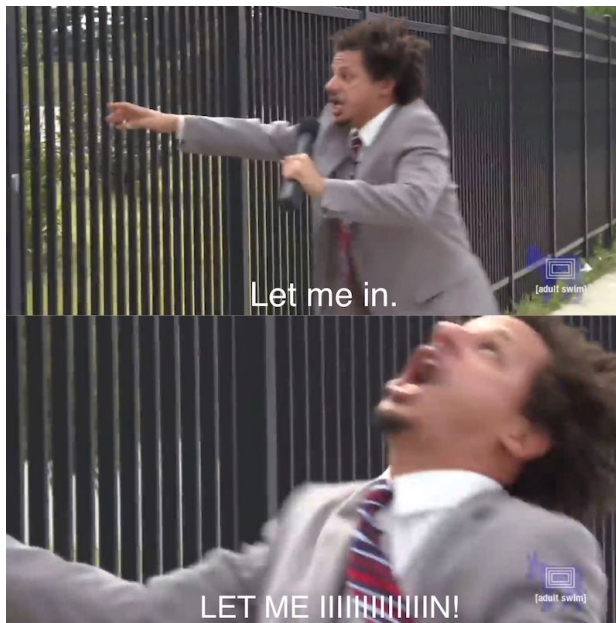
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15. **PARTNER AND POSSIBLY PROPS REQUIRED.** This action's first appearance in fiction was in the *Galaxy* magazine short story "Captain Tom's Fright," though it achieved much more prominence thanks to Augustin Daly's play *Under The Gaslight*. An action similar to this one carried out by the Black Legion likely caused the death of Earl Little, the father of Malcolm X. Taylor Swift successfully escapes from a situation caused by this action in the video for the 2010 song "Mean." This action is often done to (\*) Nell Fenwick, who is invariably saved from it by a horse named Horse and its rider, Dudley Do-Right. For 10 points, do your best Snidely Whiplash impression and create this damsel-in-distress situation involving an oncoming train.

ANSWER: **tying** someone to **railroad tracks** [or, in the case of Earl Little, streetcar tracks]

<Carson>

16. The original performance of this action was preceded by its performer stumbling around and holding a microphone up to a moving Fullington bus and was followed by its performer asking people in a park to smell a particularly disgusting sock. This action was performed during a 2016 (\*) Adult Swim special titled for its performer being "Near the DNC". Popular artistic depictions of this action include paired captions like "21 Savage" and "America" and "Ads" and "My Adblocker." For 10 points, reenact Eric Andre's melodramatic plea to an unfeeling iron-bar fence.



ANSWER: <Carson>

17. In the Discworld novel *Monstrous Regiment*, Wazzer insists on doing this action despite the danger it poses to a ruse. An outlandishly elaborate version of this action that involves spreading the arms, among other things, is called the Texas Dip. In *The Lion King*, the identification of a certain "little hairball" prompts Scar to sarcastically claim that he will practice this action. Classes and performances often end with (\*) ballerinas performing a *révérance*, an elaborate series of these actions. Sophia Money-Coutts is among the journalists who mocked Theresa May for performing a comically awkward version of this action while meeting such people as Prince Harry. For 10 points, perform this genuflective action usually employed by women meeting royalty.

ANSWER: **curtsy** [move one foot behind the other, bend both legs at the knee as if half-kneeling] <Carson>

*The field of novelty questions is home to constant innovation. A newish variant of the action tossup archetype is the "musical element" question, in which the clues describe a part of a song or piece of music that you then must perform or replicate, rather than merely identifying,*

*to receive points. In addition to the standard power/10 distinction, I'll be awarding further points for the enthusiasm and/or accuracy of the performance.*

**18. In the event that inspired this element, Rob Mackie supported a champagne chiller that was in danger of falling, which is immortalized by the presence of Mackie's hand, but not the rest of him, in the music video. A nine-second-long video featuring a variation on this element was created by the YouTuber "Euphemism for Magic" and helpfully informs the viewer about Malaysia's timber exports. This element is sung to the same tune as later lines like "I wonder if it's (\*) too late" and "Remember the old arcade?" This element refers to an object which depicts the singer and the producer Joey Moi, who is wearing what looks like a silver trophy on his head. This element is followed by the line "Every time I do it makes me laugh." For 10 points, produce this line in which Chad Kroeger of Nickelback demands that you examine the title picture of a 2005 single.**

ANSWER: **look at this photograph** [prompt on look at this graph] <Nediger>

*Sadly, we only have one of those this time. Let's close out the 2019 All-Star Game with the numerically-appropriate tossup 19, another action tossup. Congratulations again on the excellent work that got you here, and thank you for attending the PACE NSC!*

**19. SEVERAL PARTNERS REQUIRED.** At the end of the *Friends* episode "The One with the Embryos", Phoebe excludes herself from one of these actions due to being pregnant. In *Magic: The Gathering*, EDH decks that employ an archetype named for this action often use Phelddagrif as their commander. In a *Perry Bible Fellowship* strip, a robot who initiates one of these actions after installing a "nucleo- (\*) gravitational hyper crystal" causes a significant amount of the Earth to collapse inward. On *Avatar: The Last Airbender*, Zuko is told by Katara that "being part of the group means being part of" of these actions. For 10 points, bring it in and display your team camaraderie.

ANSWER: **group hug** <Carson>