

Nic's Consensus Tournament - Pack #3

First Quarter

5 Part Blitz

1. Which book of the Bible was read by the astronauts aboard Apollo 8 on Christmas Eve?
A: **Genesis**
2. The aggregator Hacker News is run by which venture capital firm?
A: **Y Combinator**
3. Thaumaturgy involves performing what sort of acts?
A: **Miracles** (Accept **Magic**. Accept equivalents).
4. Which latin phrase is used to refer to the opinions of regular citizens?
A: **Vox Populi**, Vox Dei (Prompt on "Vox Pop")
5. "'No Way to Prevent This', Says Only Nation Where This Regularly Happens" is frequently republished by the Onion in reaction to what sort of events?
A: **Mass shootings** (Accept equivalents. Prompt on just 'shootings' or specific examples such as 'school shootings')

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6. A camera shot which has been set on an angle is referred to by what nationality?
A: **Dutch** angle
7. Dutch angles litter what critically panned science fiction film released in the year 2000?
A: **Battlefield Earth**
8. *Battlefield Earth* is based on a book of the same name by which sci-fi author and cult leader?
A: L. Ron **Hubbard**
9. Old Mother Hubbard traditionally cares for what sort of creature?
A: **Dog**
10. The constellation Orion is accompanied by how many dogs?
A: **Two** (Canis Major and Minor)

Jailbreak

11. What spelling of America is used by some Black artists to highlight continued racial injustice?

A: **A-M-E-R-I-K-K-K-A** (Accept description such as spelling with three K's)

12. Liquid-mirror telescopes most commonly use what metal, the only one known to be liquid at room temperature?

A: **Mercury**

13. The Japanese term 'neko' translates to what sort of creature?

A: **Cat**

14. Margaret Hamilton famously played which antagonist of an early Technicolor film?

A: **Wicked Witch of the West** (Prompt on partial answers. Accept Almira **Gulch**)

15. Name each of the four colours used in the CMYK model for printing.

A: **Cyan, Magenta, Yellow, Black** (prompt on "key")

16. The positioning of actors on a stage is referred to by what term?

A: **Blocking**

17. What family of programming languages feature curly braces and lines terminated by semicolons?

A: **C**

18. What type of craftsman creates instruments such as guitars and cellos?

A: **Luthier**

19. Which female folk singer recorded the song "Big Yellow Taxi", in which they "paved paradise and put up a parking lot"?

A: Joni **Mitchell**

20. Which of the five standard vowels is the least common in Scrabble?

A: **U**

21. Which incredibly prolific American fantasy author was chosen to complete Robert Jordan's *Wheel Of Time* series?

A: Brandon **Sanderson**

22. Nimbostratus clouds often produce what sort of weather?

A: **Precipitation** (Accept **rain, snow, sleet** or other types)

23. "Blink" is an episode of what British television show which featured aliens disguised as statues?

A: **Doctor Who**

24. "Lost Cause" is a defence of the morals of which participants in a 19th century conflict?
A: **Confederate** Army (Accept equivalents)

25. Name both prime factors of 51.
A: **3** and **17**

Second Quarter

Set of 5

26. This Olympic-class ship famously sank in 1912 after striking an iceberg.
A: RMS **Titanic**

27. The *Titanic* was owned and operated by which shipping line?
A: **White Star Line**

28. Which socialite and survivor became known as 'The Unsinkable'?
A: Margaret 'Molly' **Brown**

29. To the closest hour, when did the *Titanic* become fully submerged?
A: **2:00 AM**

30. Which ship was the first to reach the site of the accident, and the one to collect the survivors?
A: RMS **Carpathia**

Jackpot

31. Part one, for forty points: This territory held a referendum in 2013, with the near-unanimous result indicating that they would retain their current sovereign status.

Part two, for thirty points: This territory is an archipelago, with the capital, Stanley, found on the largest, eastern island.

Part three, for twenty points: Until 1962, these islands served as the point from which the European country they belonged to governed the Antarctic territories it claimed.

Part four, for ten points: These islands were invaded by Argentina in 1982, but after a 74-day war, still lay firmly under the control of the United Kingdom.

A: **Falkland Islands** (Accepts **Falklands**)

8 Part Blitz

35. What region of Africa shares its name with a Billy Joel song about flirting with a waitress at a bar?

A: **Zanzibar**

36. What military technique sees the use of massive displays of force to intimidate the enemy?

A: **Shock and awe**

37. Name either of the two children's book series Roger Hargreaves has written, which feature a variety of simple, colourful characters with eponymous attributes such as Tickle and Sunshine.

A: Accept **Mr. Men** or **Little Miss**

38. *T* is a style magazine published by which major American newspaper?

A: The **New York Times**

39. David Frost recorded a lengthy series of sit-down interviews with which former American president?

A: Richard **Nixon**

40. The presence of a feed for what web syndication protocol is indicated on a website with an orange icon?

A: **RSS** (accept **Really Simple Syndication** or **RDF Site Summary**)

41. Which rapper released the comedy hip hop songs "Crazy Rap" and "Because I Got High"?

A: **Afroman**

42. AML is a broad term for legislation which combats what sort of crime?

A: Anti-**Money Laundering**

Splits on Extinct Island-Dwelling Birds and Subreddits

Extinct Island-Dwelling Birds

43. This wren was gradually pushed from New Zealand to its namesake island, where it went extinct in the late 19th century due to the introduction of feral cats.

A: **Lyall's Wren** (Accept **Stephens Island Wren**)

44. This ground-dwelling bird once called the island of Mauritius home, until its name became synonymous with extinction.

A: **Dodo** bird

45. This type of parrot lived on its home's main island, and its neighbouring Isla de la Juventud. It was a popular pet, which resulted in the destruction of their habitat in the search for juveniles.

A: **Cuban Red Macaw**

46. This species of bird was prime prey for the legendarily large Haast's eagle, and was hunted to extinction over the span of a few hundred years by newly arriving Maori.

A: **Moa**

Subreddits

47. This community of high-risk traders will often post ten of thousands of dollars of "loss porn".

A: **r/wallstreetbets**

48. This subreddit, which first appeared on April 1st 2017, allows users to place a pixel on a massive, shared canvas every 5 minutes.

A: **r/place**

49. This subreddit is the slightly less filtered version of r/popular, and aggregates the top posts from most reddit communities, with the exception of pornography.

A: **r/all**

50. This subreddit has seen appearances from such figures as Barack Obama, Bill Gates and Edward Snowden in their question and answer format.

A: **r/iamad**

Third Quarter

Jackpot

51. Part one, for forty points: John Lennon and Yoko Ono attracted a large amount of controversy when they used a racial slur to describe this group of people in a protest song from 1972.

Part two, for thirty points: Roy Orbison described one of these people walking down the street in one of his most well known songs.

Part three, for twenty points: Shania Twain marvels at feeling like one of these in a song where she states that the best thing about being one is having the prerogative to have a little fun.

Part four, for ten points: This group makes up a little over half of earth's population, and is biologically associated with the lack of a Y chromosome.

A: **Women** (Accept equivalents)

Double Jump

55. Who was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize in physics?

A: Marie Skłodowska-**Curie**

56. Name any of the other four female Nobel laureates in physics.

A: Accept any of Maria **Goeppert-Mayer**, Donna **Strickland**, Andrea **Ghez**, and Anne **L'Huillier**

Double Jump

57. This region of the Bay area houses numerous high-tech companies and research institutions.

A: **Silicon Valley**

58. Which special economic zone in the province of Guangdong is seen as China's equivalent to Silicon Valley?

A: **Shenzhen**

Splits on Introductory Activities and Media Named For Invertebrates

Introductory Activities

59. Modelling one of these pastries is a popular tutorial for learning how to use the open source 3D software Blender.

A: **Donut**

60. Printing this phrase is the first thing you'll learn how to do when learning most programming languages.

A: **Hello, World!**

61. An example of these at-times unpopular games include "Two Truths and A Lie".

A: **Icebreaker**

62. In table-top role playing games, this session can be used to get players up to speed with the setting, expectations and rules for the campaign which will be undertaken.

A: Session **Zero**

Media Named For Invertebrates

63. The cancellation of this Joss Whedon space western is a frequent topic of ire amongst nerds.

A: **Firefly**

64. This Yorgos Lanthimos film was his first to be filmed in English, and features a strange, dystopian world with a variety of couples.

A: **The Lobster**

65. This blue-suited superhero bounds about The City with childlike innocence, accompanied by his sidekick, a former accountant named Arthur who dresses as a moth.

A: The **Tick**

66. This Mexican folk song from the corrido genre describes one of these creatures, which is missing its legs, and is known for its earworming melody.

A: La **Cucaracha** (Prompt on “cockroach”)

Streaks (12 answers total)

67. Name up to all nine playable races listed in chapter two of the player’s handbook for the fifth edition of *Dungeons & Dragons*.

A: **Dwarf, Elf, Halfling, Human, Dragonborn, Gnome, Half-Elf, Half-Orc and Tiefling**

68. Name up to all three countries which are enclaves, that is, they are entirely surrounded by another country.

A: **Lesotho, San Marino, Vatican City** State (Prompt on “Vatican”)

Set of 4 on Word Games

72. What four letters must be removed to go from a puzzle you might solve with a pen to get the tool it is mightier than?

A: **C-R-O-S** (Crossword to Sword)

73. The letter ‘e’ must be changed to what other letter to go from a sacred place or structure to a verb meaning to grow smaller?

A: **K** (Shrine to shrink)

74. Which Batman villain’s name can be anagrammed to get the colloquial term for a sculpture in Chicago?

A: **Bane** (Anagrams to bean)

75. Which of the ten digits is the only one where the number of letters in its name is equal to its value?

A: **Four**

Fourth Quarter

Splits on Countries by Neighbours and Egg-based foods

Countries by Neighbours

For all of the following, I will give the neighbours of a country, and you will give the country. Note that all of these are land borders.

76. France, Belgium and Germany.

A: **Luxembourg**

77. Georgia, Azerbaijan, Turkey and Iran

A: **Armenia**

78. Cambodia, Laos and China.

A: **Vietnam**

79. Mexico and Canada.

A: **United States of America** (Accept equivalents)

Egg-based foods

80. Egg whites are whipped with sugar to create a dessert whose texture can vary from crispy to chewy.

A: **Meringue**

81. This light batter used in fried Japanese foods is conventionally made from just ice water, flour and egg.

A: **Tempura**

82. This thickened egg mixture is not inherently sweet, but is most commonly found in that form, with such variations as the creme anglaise.

A: **Custard**

83. An egg preserved in clay and other materials until it has darkened into a greenish-brown is given what name?

A: **Century Egg**

Linked Set of 7

84. Hosni Mubarak was the deposed leader of which African nation?

A: **Egypt**

85. Sekhmet and Maahes both have what creature's head in Egyptian mythology?

A: **Lion**

86. A lion with a crown is the logo of which league, the highest level of English football?

A: English **Premier** League

87. Bob Rae, Mike Harris, Dalton McGuinty and Doug Ford have all been premiers of which Canadian province?

A: Premiere of **Ontario**

88. Ontario and New York split what group of three waterfalls?

A: **Niagara Falls**

89. Which neighbourhood of Niagara Falls was the site of a massive environmental disaster?

A: **Love Canal**

90. Love Canal and other similar incidents gave rise to what EPA program which forces or pays for the cleanup of namesake sites?

A: **Superfund**

10 Part Blitz

91. *Infinite Jest* has a wide cast, which includes a group of political radicals from which region?

A: **Quebec**

92. Le Chiffre is the primary antagonist of which James Bond novel?

A: **Casino Royale**

93. Oregon's eastern border with Idaho features which largest tributary of the Columbia River?

A: **Snake River**

94. What United States regulatory agency did German car manufacturer Volkswagen deceive about its vehicle emissions?

A: **EPA**

95. The base rate fallacy can be avoided by making use of what theorem for determining the conditional probability of an event, given another?

A: **Bayes** theorem

96. YKK is the largest manufacturer of what type of fastening device?

A: **Zipper**

97. "Another One Bites The Dust" is a song from which Queen album?

A: **The Game**

98. Sunshine's ultraviolet B range causes a reaction in the skin which produces which specific vitamin?

A: Vitamin **D3** (Accept **Cholecalciferol**. Prompt on "D".)

99. In the horror film *It Comes At Night*, paranoia descends upon a family hiding from what sort of threat in the woods?

A: **Plague** (Accept equivalents)

100. What term coined in the 1990s can be used to refer to people who participate in multiple consensual romantic relationships at the same time?

A: **Polyamorous**