

Nic's Consensus Tournament - Pack #1

First Quarter

5 Part Blitz

1. Many cobras' necks feature what pieces of skin, which widen when they rear up?
A: **Hoods**
2. What term is used to refer to sushi which is simply composed of a ball of rice with a piece of fish placed on top?
A: **Nigirizushi**
3. Starbursts, Hubba Bubba and Juicy Fruit are all products produced by what gum manufacturer?
A: **Wrigley**
4. Which Schubert composition puts music to a 16th century poem about a father and son racing through a forest?
A: **Erlikönig**
5. Which American director known for off-beat comedy and symmetrical visuals has directed such films as *The Royal Tenenbaums* and *The Grand Budapest Hotel*?
A: Wes **Anderson**

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6. William Randolph Hearst's scandalous journalism was referred to by what colour?
A: **Yellow**
7. The Yellow River is second to what river for the title of longest in China?
A: **Yangtze**
8. Which man swam in the Yangtze, along with thousands of others, to counter rumours of ageing health?
A: **Mao Zedong**
9. Mao launched a great one of these forward, which aimed to industrialise the nation, and resulted in a massive famine.
A: **Leap**
10. Google is known to use this technique to insert a leap second into a twenty-four hour period.

A: **Smearing**

Jailbreak

11. Which film review website's logo features overlapping orange, green and blue circles?

A: **Letterboxd**

12. Knives Chau is the fake high school girlfriend of which fictional Canadian man?

A: Scott **Pilgrim**

13. What type of accessory has parts named the vamp, eyelet and tongue?

A: **Shoe** (Anti-prompt on any specific type of shoe, yeah even ones without some of those parts, I like being generous)

14. ADH enzymes break down what type of toxic compounds?

A: **Alcohols**

15. 40 feet by 8 feet by 8 feet and 6 inches are the standard dimensions for what type of metal box?

A: **Shipping container**

16. Which fictional creatures can be divided into seelie and unseelie courts?

A: **Fairies**

17. What is the juror number of the initial lone dissenter in *12 Angry Men*?

A: **8**

18. Material which has had folds put into it to increase its strength, such as metal or cardboard, can be referred to by what 'c' word?

A: **Corrugated**

19. What season saw discontented labour unions striking across the United Kingdom in 1978?

A: **Winter**

20. Wooden barrel manufacturers are referred to by what professional term?

A: **Coopers**

21. Which king of the Danes is aided by a brave warrior from Geat when his hall is attacked by Grendel?

A: **Hrothgar**

22. Which animal-borne disease is known for inducing hydrophobia and increased aggressive behaviour?

A: **Rabies**

23. Which Charlie Chaplin character appears in films such as *The Kid* and *The Gold Rush*?

A: The Little **Tramp**

24. This Mediterranean country is bordered by Algeria and Libya, and contains the northernmost point of Africa.

A: **Tunisia**

25. Ultra Rapid Fire, ARAM (Ay-Ram) and Teamfight Tactics are all game modes for which MOBA?

A: **League of Legends**

Second Quarter

Set of 5 on hunting

26. What t-word can refer to both the tips of a buck's antlers and the prongs of a fork?

A: **Tines**

27. The IWC governs the hunting of which creatures?

A: **Whales** (Accept **cetacea**)

28. Hunting animals with the goal of displaying their bodies after the fact is referred to by what term?

A: **Trophy** hunting

29. Which short story by Richard Connell details the hunting of a man on a Caribbean island?

A: **The Most Dangerous Game** (Accept **The Hounds of Zaroff**)

30. What type of hunt is performed to keep a species' population in check?

A: **Cull**

Jackpot

31. Part one, for 40 points: This creature is central to the puzzle book *Masquerade*, which led solvers to a golden pendant in its shape.

Part two, for 30 points: A motif featuring three of these animals in a circle with their ears touching can be found across many cultures throughout time, and is popular in churches

Part three, for 20 points: The European breed of these animals are notably active in March, leading to a simile about madness that appears in Lewis Carroll's *Alice In Wonderland*.

Part four, for 10 points: Jackalopes are mythical, horned versions of these creatures, the largest of the lagomorphs.

A: **Hare** (Accept **Jackrabbit**. Prompt on “rabbit”.)

8 Part Blitz

35. What silent letter can be found in the manga titles *Spy Family* and *Hunter Hunter*?

A: **x**

36. George Clinton is the leader of what funk collective?

A: **Parliament-Funkadelic** (Prompt on **P-Funk** or **Parliament**.)

37. The Lisp programming language makes heavy use of which characters?

A: **Parentheses**

38. Which short story by O. Henry features a husband and wife who sell their watch and hair, respectively?

A: **The Gift Of The Magi**

39. Which webcomic describes itself as being about “romance, sarcasm, math, and language”?

A: **XKCD**

40. Name any of the four African nations which, depending on who you ask, form either one quadripoint, or two adjacent tripoints.

A: Accept any of **Botswana**, **Namibia**, **Zambia** and **Zimbabwe**

41. Adding an ‘a’ to which US president’s last name produces a genre of traditional European dance music?

A: **Polk** (Polka)

42. Who was the longest-serving prime minister of Canada?

A: William Lyon Mackenzie **King**

Splits on Spelling (with punctuation) and Libertarianism

Spelling (with punctuation)

(Note: For all of these, punctuation must be included. Spaces and diacritics do not.)

43. It’s a Calabrese term for an organised crime group. Spell 'Ndrangheta (En-dran-geh-tah)

A: **Apostrophe-N-D-R-A-N-G-H-E-T-A** (No one has ever gotten this one right and I do not care, I am very fond of it)

44. It's a sports manga about volleyball. Spell *Haikyuu!!*

A: **H-A-I-K-Y-U-U-Exclamation Mark-Exclamation Mark** (Accept spelling with only one u.)

45. Which two pieces of punctuation make up the interrobang?

A: **Exclamation Mark** and **Question Mark**

46. It's a message you would tap out when in great distress. Give the Morse code for S-O-S.

A: **Dot-dot-dot-dash-dash-dash-dot-dot-dot** (Accept equivalents for "dot" and "dash")

Libertarianism

47. The Gadsden flag bears what phrase upon it?

A: **Don't tread on me**

48. Which Chicago-School economist famously advised Pinochet on Chile's economic policy?

A: Milton **Friedman**

49. Libertarianism is closely tied to what left-wing school of politics that rejects all forms of authority?

A: **Anarchism**

50. Which principle states that you should not interfere with another person's property, unless they have already interfered with your property?

A: **Non-aggression** principle/axiom (Accept **N-A-P**)

Third Quarter

Jackpot

51. Part one, for 40 points: A boat named for this phenomenon was bombed by agents of France while it was docked in New Zealand, killing one person.

Part two, for 30 points: While most commonly observed as an arc, these are in fact circles, though this cannot be observed from most vantage points.

Part three, for 20 points: This phenomenon can also be induced by moonlight, though due to the fainter light, they are harder to observe.

Part four, for 10 points: This phenomenon occurs when sunlight refracts through water droplets in the air, such as rain or mist.

A: **Rainbow**

Double Jump

55. Points of gravitational equilibrium between two bodies are referred to by what term?

A: **Lagrange** points

56. How many Lagrange points will two celestial bodies produce?

A: **5**

Double Jump

57. Which 8-hour long endurance minigame sees a player travel from Tucson to Las Vegas?

A: **Desert Bus**

58. *Desert Bus* was conceived of by this duo, who have the longest running Vegas residency at one hotel.

A: **Penn & Teller**

Splits on Word Games and Game Words

Word Games

59. Adding an 'e' to what word meaning bleak or depressing gets you a word meaning dirt or filth?

A: **Grim** (Add 'e' to form grime)

60. What small carnivorous creature's name is an anagram for browned bread?

A: **Stoat** (Anagrams to toast)

61. Which word, meaning a combination of substances, is also a valid roman numeral, and comes to 1009?

A: **MIX**

62. Which term for a part of a castle can be reversed to get a word meaning to look discreetly at something?

A: **Keep** (Reversed to get peek)

Game Words

63. My opponent is attacking me with a flying creature, and I responded by tapping three mana to flash out a creature with reach. What trading card game am I playing?

A: **Magic: The Gathering**

64. We've just picked the trump suit, and I'm pleased to find I'm now holding the right bower. What card game am I playing?

A: **Euchre**

65. Playing as Empress Wu, I've decided to found my first city close to a city-state, as I'm going to be pursuing the Patronage tree. What specific 4X strategy game am I playing?

A: Sid Meier's **Civilization 5** (Accept **Civ 5**. Prompt on just **Civ** or **Civilization**).

66. During the night, I wake up, and select a player. The arbitrator silently makes an 'M' with their hands. What social deduction game am I playing?

A: **Mafia** (Prompt on "Werewolf")

Streaks

67. Name up to any six of the ten largest countries by surface area.

A: **Russia, Canada, China, United States of America, Brazil, Australia, India, Argentina, Kazakhstan, Algeria**

68. Name up to all six repeat winners of the FIFA world cup.

A: **Brazil, West Germany, Italy, Argentina, France, Uruguay**

Set of 4 on Associating World Leaders to Countries

For all of the following, I will say a world leader's name, you will give the corresponding country (as of May 17th, 2024).

72. Abdel Fattah el-Sisi

A: **Egypt**

73. Emmanuel Jean-Michel Frédéric Macron.

A: **France**

74. Ferdinand "Bongbong" Romualdez Marcos Jr.

A: **Philippines**

75. Joseph Robinette Biden Jr.

A: **United States of America**

Fourth Quarter

Splits on Nobel Laureates in Physics and Television

Nobel Laureates in Physics

76. Henri Becquerel and the Curies received Nobel prizes for their work with materials that had what property?

A: **Radioactivity**

77. Isamu Akasaki, Hiroshi Amano and Shuji Nakamura shared the 2014 Nobel prize for the creation of what colour of LED?

A: **Blue**

78. Andre Geim and Konstantin Novoselov shared the 2010 Nobel Prize for their research on the conductivity of what carbon-based material?

A: **Graphene**

79. John Bardeen, Walter Brattain and William Shockley made use of semiconductors to create what fundamental component of modern electronics?

A: **Transistor**

Television

80. This Canadian sitcom is based off of a play of the same name about a Korean family in Toronto.

A: ***Kim's Convenience***

81. This ABC programming block featured a lineup of family-friendly sitcoms, and was a lead-in for the news program *20/20*.

A: **TGIF**

82. This Cartoon Network programming block is well known for their unique bumpers, and airs a variety of offbeat programming targeted towards an older audience.

A: **Adult Swim**

83. This two-part Simpsons special bridged the gap between seasons six and seven, and contained a variety of hidden clues.

A: ***Who Shot Mr. Burns?***

Linked Set of 7

84. A centered pale which occupies half of a flag is referred to by what demonym?

A: **Canadian**

85. Which Canadian sprinter set a new 100 metre world record at the 1996 Olympics?

A: Donovan **Bailey**

86. Baileys is a cream liqueur which uses whiskey from what country?

A: **Ireland**

87. Which tech company caused Ireland's GDP to skyrocket when it made use of a complicated tax avoidance scheme?

A: **Apple**

88. The pony Applejack is what colour in the television show *My Little Pony: Friendship Is Magic*?

A: **Orange**

89. *The Orange Box* was a collection of games released by what company?

A: **Valve**

90. What value can be changed by raising or lowering a valve on a trumpet?

A: **Pitch**

10 Part Blitz

91. What letter must be added to the titular architectural feature of Anne Shirley's house to get a verb meaning "to scramble up or render unintelligible"?

A: **R** (Gable to garble)

92. Mad-Eye Moody and Long John Silver are both missing what body part?

A: **Leg**

93. What Netflix show follows a California realtor with an insatiable craving for human flesh?

A: ***The Santa Clarita Diet***

94. Aside from 1, what is the only common factor between 28 and 91?

A: **7**

95. The colour of hydrangeas can be used as an indicator for what factor about the soil in which they grow?

A: **pH** (accept **acidity** or **alkalinity**)

96. 13, 21, and 34 are the seventh, eighth and ninth terms in what mathematical sequence?

A: **Fibonacci** sequence

97. 500 pieces of paper make up what unit of measure?

A: **ream**

98. Striking certain crystals will produce what type of electricity?

A: **piezoelectricity**

99. What two-letter abbreviation is both a legal term and a communications protocol?

A: **IP**

100. Who was the only United States president to be born in Hawaii?

A: Barack **Obama**