

FORT OSAGE NOVICE SET (FONS) II

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Round 8

1. This nation's Prime Minister resigned in April 2016 after information about his offshore holdings was released in the Panama Papers. This nation's banks closed one by one after the 2008 financial crisis, and its political party, Vidreisn {VID-RYE-SON}, has advocated that this island nation* join the European Union. This nation's parliament, the Althingi {AL-TING-EE}, is the oldest continuously operating lawmaking body in the world. For 10 points, name this island nation, which currently has a growing far-left Pirate Party advocating direct democracy, with capital at Reykjavik {RAKE-YUH-VICK}

Republic of Iceland

2. The state of Arkansas still has commercial mining of this mineral, which is the second-most abundant in the Earth's crust, after feldspar. This mineral becomes crystallized under extreme geologic pressure, and its piezoelectric {PEET-ZO-ELEC-TRICK} properties allow it to be used as a crystal* oscillator. Early mining operations in the American West focused on this mineral since it often indicated gold deposits within it or nearby. For 10 points, name this crystalline form of silica that ranks 7 on the Moh's scale of hardness.

Quartz

3. This work was thought to be prompted by the calling of the First Crusade, but the antagonists in the battle that inspired this work were Basques, not Muslims. The protagonist of this work chooses his stepfather Ganelon to act as a messenger* to King Marsile {MAR-SEEL}, but Ganelon decides to inform the King about the rearguard at Ronceveaux {RON-SUH-VO} Pass. The protagonist fights off hundreds of Muslim fighters with his sword Durendal, before succumbing to blood loss from blowing his olifant horn. For 10 points, name this long poem, author unknown, about the title knight of Charlemagne.

Song of Roland

4. This man wrote two operas, one of which, *A Guest of Honor*, was staged only once. This man's second opera, *Treemonisha*, was partially staged in Harlem in 1915 with little success. This man's performances at the 1893 Chicago World's Fair is cited as the catalyst for the rise in popularity of ragtime* music for which he is best known. This man produced over 40 ragtime compositions in his short life, and his 1917 death is often cited as the end of the genre. For 10 points, name this composer, who composed "The Entertainer" and "Maple Leaf Rag," considered the founder of ragtime.

Scott Joplin

5. This structure was previously the site of the *Cappella Maggiore* {CAH-PELLA - MAH-ZH-YOR} or “Greater Chapel.” This structure was designed by Baccio {BAW-CHEE-O} Pontelli and the first mass held here was the Feast of the Assumption.* The building follows the dimensions of Solomon’s Temple, as specified in the Old Testament, and was the subject of the “Fig-Leaf Campaign,” by Carafa {CAH-RAWF-AH} and Sernini {SAIR-NEE-NEE}, which sought to censor its famous artwork. For 10 points, name this religious building, the location for the selection of the Pope, and known for its frescoes by Michelangelo.

Sistine Chapel

6. During the recent campaign to retake *this* city, militants set fire to a sulfur mine located nearby. *This* city is located west of the historical location of the ancient city of Nineveh, and a number of its historic Assyrian sites were destroyed by ISIS* militants, like the Tomb of Jonah. ISIS forces took this city in the summer of 2014 and it is last remaining major city in Iraq held by the group. For 10 points, name this northern Iraqi city, located in Kurdistan along the Tigris River, the site of an ongoing military operation to retake it from ISIS.

Mosul

7. This body of water contains the Liaodong and the Shandong Peninsulas, which are separated by the narrow Bohai Strait. Much of the marine habitat of this body of water has been diminished due to land reclamation and urban coastal growth, especially cities like Dalian* and Qingdao {CHING-DOW}. The port city of Incheon lies along the eastern edge of this body water, which has significant algal blooms during the summer months. For 10 points, name this body of water, separating China from the Korean Peninsula, which derives its name from the runoff that accumulates on its surface.

Yellow Sea

8. This Amendment was influenced by the failure of the Supreme Court to address direct taxation in its 1895 case *Pollock vs. Farmer’s Loan and Trust*. This Amendment was first suggested in a speech by President Taft, and all three candidates in the 1912 Election spoke in favor of ratifying* this Amendment. The Revenue Act of 1913 implemented this amendment, but many fringe groups continue to claim that this Amendment was never officially approved. For 10 points, name this Amendment, passed during the Progressive Era, which established the federal income tax.

Sixteenth (16th) Amendment

9. This scientific term was coined by Charles Sherrington, and Santiago Ramon y Cajal {CAH-HAHL} has proposed the “neuron doctrine,” which encompasses the existence of *these* entities. *These* entities are stabilized into their positions by their namesake “adhesion molecules,” and their “electrical”* type has membranes connected by “gap junctions.” *This* entity can exist between a nerve cell and a muscle as well between two nerve cells. For 10 points, name this junction, which permits a neuron to pass an electrical or chemical signal to another.

Synapse (prompt on “junctions” before mention)

10. This novel begins at a home in Grand Isle, Louisiana, where the protagonist is staying with her husband while on vacation. The protagonist's friend, Robert Lebrun {LUH-BROON}, dreams of going to Mexico, but works in an mercantile house in New Orleans. The protagonist's young friend Adele* Ratignolle {RAHT-TEE-NYO} seems to be the ideal mother, causing the protagonist to feel guilty for not "missing" her children when they stayed with her mother-in-law. For 10 points, name this novel which ends with Edna Pontellier {PON-TELL-EE-YAY} walking into the sea, taking her own life, by Kate Chopin {SHOW-PUH}.

The Awakening

11. This artist was born Sidney Selby in Brooklyn, New York, and he released his first track, "Zombie Walk" in 2015. This artist was signed to Kanye West's GOOD Music label, and West himself sampled one of this artist's songs on "Pt. 2" of his *Life of Pablo* album* This artist's mixtape was originally entitled "Trap History Month," but was instead released as "New English" in the summer of 2016. This artist's single, "Champions" was released in 2016, along with his newest single, "Timmy Turner." For 10 points, name this trap music artist, who created the song "Panda."

Designer

12. Herodotus claimed that this entity originated near the village of Feneos, on the Peloponnese. The namesake of *this* entity was the daughter of Tethys, and Zeus promised that every oath was to be sworn to her. This entity converges with four other rivers* in a namesake marsh that separates the living world from the underworld. Charon is typically cited as the ferryman for this body of water, and ancient Greeks left a coin in the mouth of the deceased as payment to him. For 10 points, name this river, into which the mother of Achilles dipped him in order to make him invulnerable, which forms the boundary of Hades.

River Styx

13. One pre-Columbian group living on *this* continent left much of their known records on pottery, and were largely agricultural based. Another pre-Columbian group located on *this* continent was famous for its extensive geometric lines drawn in the sand, that may have marked dates for planting or intended for their sky-dwelling gods.* Another group on this continent used quipus {KEE-POOS} for record-keeping, fought a civil war with itself, weakening it in the face of an invading Spanish force. For 10 points, name this continent, home to the Moche, Nasca, and Inca peoples.

South America

14. Early names for this city were Montana City and Auraria {AW-ROAR-EE-AH}, before being named for the territorial governor of a neighboring state. This city remains the only one to lose the chance to host an Olympic Games,* when voters in 1972 refused to approve needed funds to host the 1976 Winter Olympics. This city's location at the confluence of the South Platte River and Cherry Creek in the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains made it one of the few Western boomtowns to survive the end of a gold rush. For 10 points, name this city, the capital and largest city in Colorado.

Denver

15. One of this man's last paintings was *Portrait of a Trinitarian Friar*, and the structure of his painting *The Opening of the Fifth Seal* may have inspired Picasso's *Les Femmes d'Alger (O. J. M.)* {LAY-DEM-WAH-ZELL DAH-VEE-NYON}. This painter's most well-known works were completed in Spain, after his emigration from his native Greece* in 1577. This man depicted the terrestrial and heavenly appearance of the namesake noble's burial in Toledo, where the artist also completed a famous *View of Toledo* around 1600. For 10 points, name this Spanish Renaissance painter, whose nickname reflects his Greek heritage, who painted *The Burial of the Count of Orgaz*.

El Greco (accept "Doménikos Theotokópoulos")

16. This entity was first observed in Raymond Gosling's "Photo 51," using an X-ray diffraction image. The chemical backbones of this entity are made up of sugar and phosphate molecules that are connected by chemical bonds. Nucleotide A pairs with T, and nucleotide C pairs with G in this molecular structure. Each DNA strand* within this is a long, linear molecule made of smaller molecules. This molecular structure is composed of two linear strands that run opposite of each other and twist together. For 10 points, name this molecular structure of DNA, often attributed to Watson and Crick.

Double Helix (prompt on partial answer; accept "DNA" before mention)

17. This author asked "I wonder where I'm gonna die/Being neither white nor black?" in his work *Cross*. In another work, this author asked, "How many bullets does it take/To kill a fifteen-year-old kid?" This author of "Death in Yorkville" saw his first works published in the NAACP's magazine *The Crisis in 1921, including his most famous poem which describes how his soul had "grown deep like the rivers." In a later poem, this author asked "What happens to a dream deferred?" For 10 points, name this Harlem Renaissance poet who wrote "A Negro Speaks of Rivers" in his collection *Weary Blues*.**

Langston Hughes

18. Early evidence of this mathematical construct can be seen in the Egyptian, Greek, and Indian civilizations. A ratio between two or more numbers can be shown using this construct, while a "simple" one of these has two integers a and b , neither of which can be zero.* A mixed numeral is the sum of a non-zero integer and a proper one of these constructs, which is usually shown with a plus sign next to it so as not to confuse. For 10 points, name this mathematical construct, in which a numerator is shown above or beside a slash line with a denominator, used to show partial value of a whole.

Fractions

19. In America, this entity was largely zero between 1950 and 1976, and the economic system of mercantilism demanded that this entity must *always* be positive. This entity was at a 50 year low in 2006, and one candidate in the 2016 Presidential Elections has claimed that one cause for this entity* was the result of “Chinese currency manipulation.” Many Republicans have long pushed for restrictive tariffs to limit the effects of this entity. For 10 points, name this entity, the amount by which a country’s imports exceeds its exports.

Trade Deficit (accept “**negative balance of trade,**” or “**unfavorable balance of trade;**” “**trade gap;**” prompt on partial answer)

20. *This* nation’s northwest contains the autonomous region of Aosta {OUS-TAH} Valley, where over half the residents speak a native tongue called “Valdotain” {VAL-DOE-TAHN}. Another autonomous region in *this* nation was once called the South Tyrol, and was owned by Austria,* before World War I. *This* nation contains the Dolomite Mountains in its northeast, near its Brenner Pass which connects this nation with Austria. For 10 points, name *this* European nation, located on a peninsula, with autonomous regions in Sardinia and Sicily and capital at Rome.

Italy

21. This novel opens with the protagonist returning to Devon School after 15 years, where he visits the marble stairs and a tree by the river where he spent his “gypsy summer.” The protagonist and his friends discuss whether there is saltpeter in their food* before finding out that their classmate had died when bone marrow entered his bloodstream during surgery. That classmate, Finny, had injured himself by falling out of the tree by the river when the narrator “jostled” it. For 10 points, name this coming-of-age story, about the relationship between Gene Forrester and Finny at the Devon School during World War II, by John Knowles.

A Separate Peace

BONUSES

1. A group of these men were acquitted by a federal court in Oregon in Oct, 2016. For 10 points each...

(10) Name these types of individuals, who occupied the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge for 41 days before surrendering.

ANSWER: **Militias** (accept "**Anti-government militias**" or "**sovereign citizens**")

(10) This militia group was led by Ammon Bundy, who, along with his father Cliven, has a similar standoff in 2014 in this state's Clark County over cattle rights.

ANSWER: **Nevada**

(10) Both of these standoffs involved disputes with *this* governmental agency contained within the Department of the Interior which administers public lands.

ANSWER: **Bureau of Land Management** or **BLM**

2. This line plays a role in determining whether lines on the Euclidean plane are parallel. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this line that passes through two lines in the same plane at two distinct points.

ANSWER: **Transverse(al) line**

(10) The transversal creates *these* four types of angles which have distinct vertex points and lie on the same side as the transversal.

ANSWER: **Corresponding angles**

(10) Two lines are parallel if and only if the two angles of any pair of corresponding angles of any transversal are *this*, meaning equal in measure.

ANSWER: **Congruent**

3. This President started the peace organization People to People in 1956, shortly before his re-election. For 10 points each...

(10) Name *this* President, who was inspired by a meeting with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, who succeeded Harry Truman.

ANSWER: **Dwight Eisenhower**

(10) A 1960 meeting between Eisenhower and Khrushchev was sabotaged by *this* incident where the namesake spy plane was shot down over the Soviet Union.

ANSWER: **U-2 incident**

(10) Shortly before leaving office, Eisenhower warned of the influence of *this* 3-word group, which he felt had monopolized political power in the U.S.

ANSWER: **Military-Industrial Complex**

4. These devices were first introduced with the 1975 model year of American car. For 10 points each...

(10) Name these vehicular emission control devices that turn toxic pollutants into less toxic materials using a redox reaction.

ANSWER: **Catalytic converter**

(10) The earliest models of catalytic converters converted toxins into water and *this* colorless and odorless compound, that is commonly found in hot springs and geysers.

ANSWER: **Carbon dioxide (CO₂)**

(10) Catalytic converters are often the target of thieves due to the presence of *this* extremely rare precious transition metal which has atomic number 78, and is common in jewelry.

ANSWER: **Platinum**

5. This nation's Tiburon Peninsula suffered a direct hit when Hurricane Matthew made landfall in October, 2016. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this impoverished Caribbean nation that shares the island of Hispaniola with the Dominican Republic.

ANSWER: **Republic of Haiti**

(10) This city, estimated to contain half of the nation's population, serves as Haiti's capital.

ANSWER: **Port-au-Prince**

(10) This island nation lies west of the Tiburon Peninsula, separated from Haiti by a namesake "Channel"

ANSWER: **Jamaica**

6. French anthropologist Claude Levi-Strauss proposed that this creature's importance in mythology was due to its "mediator" status between life and death. For 10 points each...

(10) Name these birds, with black plumage and a croaking call, whose diets consist of dead animals.

ANSWER: **Ravens** (DO NOT accept "crow")

(10) In Greek mythology, *this* god used a raven as his messenger to discover that his wife Coronis was being unfaithful to him.

ANSWER: **Apollo**

(10) Among Native American cultures, ravens were often seen as "trickster" gods along with *this* other animal, which was prominent among Southwestern cultures.

ANSWER: **Coyotes**

7. This philosopher stated, "Man is born free, and everywhere he is chains." For 10 points each...

(10) Name this French author who described how progress had corrupted man in his 1782 autobiographical work *Confessions*.

ANSWER: **Jean-Jacques Rousseau**

(10) In his most famous philosophical work, Rousseau argues that the title concept is a product of the "general will" of the people, and not an absolutist ruler.

ANSWER: **The Social Contract**

(10) Rousseau's *Confessions* is usually titled with his name to distinguish it from *this* other philosopher's 4th century work, *Confessions*, which describes his wild youth and conversion to Christianity.

ANSWER: **St. Augustine of Hippo**

8. This Major League Baseball team finally broke its long World Series drought in 2016. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this long-suffering franchise that defeated the Cleveland Indians in 7 games to win the title.

ANSWER: **Chicago Cubs**

(10) The Cubs last won a World Series in *this* same year that Republican William Taft defeated Democrat William Jennings Bryan to replace Theodore Roosevelt.

ANSWER: **1908**

(10) The Cubs' 1908 World Series victory predates their time in *this* current ballpark, best known for its ivy-covered walls and fanatical fans who watch from rooftops behind the bleacher seats in the outfield.

ANSWER: **Wrigley Field**

9. A painting by this artist, *The Temptation of St. Anthony*, was finally attributed to him in 2016 after years of study. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this Flemish painter who used religious allegory in his paintings such as *The Garden of Earthly Delights*.

ANSWER: **Hieronymous Bosch**

(10) *The Garden of Earthly Delights* is one of Bosch's sixteen known paintings of *this* type, consisting of a central flat panel with sides that open outwards.

ANSWER: **Triptychs**

(10) Determining ownership of Bosch's paintings has always been a difficult process because he only performed *this* action on 7 of his surviving paintings.

ANSWER: **Signing them** (accept "**Signature**")

10. This religion exalts Ahura {AH-HOO-RAH} Mazda as its deity of wisdom. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this East Asian religion that uses the religious text, *Avesta*, and is one of the world's oldest known religions.

ANSWER: **Zoroastrianism**

(10) Zoroastrians {ZORAS-TREE-UNS} are supposed to pray in the presence of *this* entity, which along with water, is sacred to the faith.

ANSWER: **Fire** (accept equivalents like "**flames**")

(10) The namesake of this religion, Zoroaster {ZOR-AS-TER}, was from *this* modern-day nation, once known as Persia.

ANSWER: **Iran**

11. This city was devastated by a severe Category 4 storm in September, 1900. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this Texas city, which in the aftermath of the storm, resorted to a commission-style government in order to aid the rebuilding process.

ANSWER: **Galveston, Texas**

(10) This capital and largest city in Iowa was the first city outside of Texas to adopt a commission-style of government.

ANSWER: **Des Moines, Iowa**

(10) This Oregon city is the largest in the U.S. to still use a commission-style government. This quirky city's unofficial slogan is "Keep *this city* Weird."

ANSWER: **Portland, Oregon**

12. The Piqiang {PEE-CHEE-AHNG} one of *these* entities can be seen in the Taklamakan {TAHK-LA-MAH-KHAN} Desert in China. For 10 points each...

(10) Name these geologic fractures in the Earth's crust resulting from plate tectonic forces.

ANSWER: **Faults**

(10) The Piqiang is *this* type of fault, in which rocks are sliding past each other horizontally, with little to no vertical movement.

ANSWER: **Strike-slip fault**

(10) This other famous strike-slip fault runs through western California and surface fractures of it can be physically seen in the Carrizo Plain.

ANSWER: **San Andreas Fault**

13. The Kenora District contains over one-third of the land area of this Canadian province. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this province which contains over 40% of Canada's population.

ANSWER: **Ontario**

(10) Southwestern Ontario contains the Lake of the Woods, which it shares with *this* U.S. state, known as the "Land of 10,000 Lakes."

ANSWER: **Minnesota**

(10) Most of Ontario's population is located within a southeastern region called the "Golden" *this*, a reference to its shape on the map.

ANSWER: **Horseshoe**

14. In one of this author's works, he describes his native land separating from its longtime Peninsular neighbor. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this Nobel Prize-winning author who wrote about five people's experiences with this separation in *The Stone Raft*.

ANSWER: **Jose Saramago**

(10) Saramago is from this nation, which shares the Iberian Peninsula with Spain.

ANSWER: **Portugal**

(10) In another novel by Saramago set in an unnamed city, thousands of people are struck by *this* condition, except for the Doctor's wife, who hides this fact for most of the work.

ANSWER: **Blindness** (accept "**being blind**" or equivalents)

15. These works were produced after the composer had returned to Venice from Mantua. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this 4-part violin concerti by Antonio Vivaldi, each representing a portion of the year.

ANSWER: **The Four Seasons**

(10) The use of poems in *The Four Seasons* is considered an early example of *this type* of music with a narrative theme.

ANSWER: **Program Music**

(10) *The Four Seasons* was published along with eight violin concerti, known as "The Contest Between Harmony and *this term*."

ANSWER: **"Invention"**

16. The company involved in this scandal was created from the merger of two smaller Houston-based energy companies in 1985. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this Houston-based energy company that declared bankruptcy in December, 2001 under allegations of fraudulent accounting practices.

ANSWER: **Enron Corporation**

(10) Enron's executives were investigated by *this* government organization which was created by Franklin Roosevelt to regulate stock market practices.

ANSWER: **Securities and Exchange Commission** ("**SEC**")

(10) During Enron's criminal trial, it was revealed that the company had manipulated energy prices in *this* Western state, which had a series of rolling blackouts in 2000-01.

ANSWER: **California**

17. This author described a “Fair flower, that dost so comely grow” in his poem “The Wild Honey Suckle.” For 10 points each...

(10) Name this poet, nicknamed the “Poet of the American Revolution” who also wrote the early Romantic poem “The House of Night.”

ANSWER: **Philip Freneau**

(10) Freneau was captured by the British Royal Navy during the war, and held in one of *these* structures the British used to hold prisoners-of-war in New York Harbor.

ANSWER: **Prison ships** (accept equivalents like “**boats**” or “**hulks**”)

(10) Freneau was later hired to write for the *National Gazette*, a newspaper for *this* political party founded by Thomas Jefferson and James Madison.

ANSWER: **Democratic-Republican Party** (accept just “**Republican Party**” as that is what they referred to themselves)

18. The Chagos Archipelago is located in the middle of this body of water. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this body of water, which contains the islands of Madagascar and Sri Lanka.

ANSWER: **Indian Ocean** (prompt on partial answer)

(10) The Chagos Archipelago contains the military base of Diego Garcia which is a part of *this* nation’s Indian Ocean territory, which it shares with its ally, the United States.

ANSWER: **Great Britain** (accept “**United Kingdom**” or “**UK**”)

(10) North of the Chagos Archipelago is *this* island nation that lies between it and the Indian subcontinent. This low-lying nation, with capital at Male {MALL-A}, is vulnerable to rising sea levels.

ANSWER: **Republic of the Maldives**

19. This exocrine gland surrounds the urethra in the male reproductive system. For 10 points each...

(10) Name this walnut-shaped gland, which is the site of a common type of cancer affecting older men.

ANSWER: **Prostate**

(10) *This* hollow muscular organ is located just above the prostate, and collects urine from the kidneys to store before disposal.

ANSWER: **Urinary bladder**

(10) The outer portions of the bladder and urethra consist of the “transitional” type of *this* muscle tissue, which has the ability to expand and stretch.

ANSWER: **Epithelium(al)**

20. *This* general made his base at the city of Qart Hadasht {KART-HAH-DAHST}, and led a conquest to take control of Iberia. For 10 points each...

(10) Name *this* Carthaginian general who crossed the Alps with his war elephants in order to fight for control of territory in Italy.

ANSWER: **Hannibal Barca** (prompt on “Barca”)

(10) Hannibal was ultimately defeated by troops under *this* Roman general, who was later tried for treason and left Rome. He requested that the Latin phrase, “Ungrateful fatherland, you will not even have my bones,” be placed on his tomb.

ANSWER: **Publius Cornelius Scipio Africanus** (accept either underlined name)

(10) Scipio defeated Hannibal at *this* battle that ended the Second Punic War. A modern-day city in Tunisia has the same name.

ANSWER: **Battle of Zama**