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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.

1. The People's Party was formed in Samoa in 2008 to oppose a proposed instance of this action. The Kudaka scheme governed an instance of this action known as "Nana-san-maru", or 7-3-0, that took place in Okinawa several years after its return to Japanese control. The song "Håll dig till höger, Svensson" won a song contest held to publicize this action in Sweden, where it took place on "H Day". Many former British colonies, like Belize and parts of Canada, have done this to bring their practices in line with their neighbors. The Thai-Lao Friendship (*) Bridges are among the border crossings that require individual drivers to do this. For 10 points, identify this infrastructural change that usually also necessitates switching the location of vehicles' steering wheels.

ANSWER: switching from driving on one side of the road to the other <Carson>

2. A simple chronology for the differentiation of the interior of this astronomical object is provided by Nimmo et al. This object was once thought to be chemically similar to the Sun, but it turned out to have a "chondritic" composition, according to a theory proposed by Ian Campbell. On this astronomical object, carbon dioxide is transformed into carbonates by the formation of carbonate shells in (*) carapaces. The crust of this astronomical object is mostly dominated by aluminum, but its core is metal-rich. This was the first astronomical object in which scientists deduced that P and S waves were emitted during namesake "quakes." For 10 points, name this object, whose unusual features include a liquid ocean of water.

ANSWER: Earth [or Terra or Gaia] <Jose>

3. Though it has nothing to do with mark-and-recapture, a formula that applies to these model organisms involves 2 times l divided by 5, all plus 2, times p times A over D , all divided by 50, plus 2, all times a "modifier" coefficient. A 183-citation paper about these organisms authored by Andrew Balmford, Lizzie Clegg, Tim Coulson, and Jennie Taylor is titled "Why Conservationists Should Heed" these organisms, and notes that 80 percent of them are identifiable by graduates of primary school. Having these model organisms reproduce in a different language environment was detailed in an article that noted a certain value of $1/4096$ or $1/8192$ would be multiplied by five; that method was first identified by (*) Junichi Masuda. Seven generations of scientists have currently discovered 802 of these, including the plasma-based Rotom. For 10 points, name these model organisms, such as Wooper, Ampharos, and Machop.

ANSWER: Pokémon <Jose>

4. This author seemed to supersede every other author with his titles: Fyodor Dostoyevsky wrote *The Idiot*, but this author wrote “The Idiots”; Robert Louis Stevenson wrote *The Black Arrow*, but this author produced the novel *The Arrow of Gold*; and finally, even though Kingsley Amis wrote *Lucky Jim*, this modernist penned a novel in which the pirate "Gentleman" Brown attacks (*) Patusan, killing Dain Waris, after which Doramin shoots the title character. For 10 points, name this author of *Lord Jim*.

ANSWER: Joseph Conrad <Jose>

5. In one novel, this character is given the password "Calypso" by an oracle within Snake Canyon. In that Edward Packard novel, this character returns to the "Cave of Time." Packard wrote over 100 novels about this character, including ones in which this character is "microscopic," is a "shark," is a "monster," and is a "genius." In an Italian novel, this character is instructed "Best to close the door; the TV is always on in the next room; tell others right away... "I'm beginning to read (*) Italo Calvino's new novel." For 10 points, identify the protagonist of *If on a Winter's Night a Traveller*, who can "choose" their "own adventure" in another series.

ANSWER: you [accept me or the reader] <Jose>

6. Given that most of you were playing in the superplayoffs, you might remember that this term was the answer to the first part of the sixteenth bonus in round 16. One could theoretically use this term to refer to the LongPen, a device invented to enable remote book signings by a certain author during her book tour for *Oryx and Crake*. When modified by (*) "swinging", this term refers to a device that can produce unusual periodic and collision orbits. Two objects of unequal masses connected by an inextensible string over an ideal pulley make up, for 10 points, what experimental setup named for an English mathematician, and not Canadian author Margaret?

ANSWER: Atwood's machines <Carson>

7. Symptoms of this disorder include lethargy, an inability to eat, diarrhea and an upset stomach. To treat this disorder, doctors may prescribe a mixture of phyllium, lecithin, silicon dioxide and guar gum. This disorder may afflict those who have Rapunzel Syndrome and engage in (*) trichotillomania. The pain caused by this condition sometimes can only be alleviated by the surgical removal of a trichobezoar. For 10 points, name this condition suffered rarely by humans, and much more commonly by rabbits and cats, a side effect of tongue grooming that involves barfing up something gross.

ANSWER: coughing up hairballs disorder or whatever <Jose>

Let's move from regular wackiness to odd trends in old writing. Sometimes questions just didn't feel like giving you a pronoun! For example:

8. Sierra Sam is a man who weighs 95 percent more than all adults, and who was born in 1967 with the assistance of his “father” Sam Alderson. One of Sierra Sam’s descendants is Thor, who has a more well-formed pelvis, face, and spine. However, both Sam and Thor have met the same fates numerous times: (*) death by either shattering glass, or due to an ineffective safety device. For 10 points, give the profession of both Sierra Sam and Thor, who are used to gather data from simulated vehicle impacts.

ANSWER: crash test dummy <Jose>

9. Orthography was once a disproportionately important subject in bad old quizbowl! Players would sometimes spend hours studying orthography in order to improve their skills regarding orthography, although savvy players just learned to recognize when a tossup was telling a seemingly pointless story while repeatedly emphasizing a moderately complicated word, like (*) orthography, that they would then simply buzz in and spell. For 10 points, spell orthography.

ANSWER: o-r-t-h-o-g-r-a-p-h-y <Carson>

10. If you thought that was bad, trash tournaments were even worse: early trash tournaments would often eschew anything even slightly real in favor of goofy gimmicks. That said, for a quick 10 points, buzz in (*) second.

ANSWER: [give points to whoever buzzes second] <Carson>

Sometimes questions would get extremely enamored with a particular gimmick and necessitate quite a bit of lateral thinking. For example:

11. Where's the first novel written by Paul Theroux? Can you find it at the tiny mountain in Maine whose granite was quarried for the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier? Or can you find it with the merchant Peter, who founded the Poor Men of Lyons after taking a vow of poverty? Perhaps, with sufficient effort, you can find it in a series by Martin (*) Handford, where it appears in the form of a man whose girlfriend Wenda and nemesis Odlaw also appear in chaotic double-page spreads. For 10 points, give the common name of all of those things, including a bespectacled man dressed in red and white.

ANSWER: Waldo <Jose>

12. A word beginning with these five letters was coined to name the most famous creation of the man who also developed the Frozen S'More and the Chocolate Chip Cookie Shot. These five letters begin both the name of the signature product of Dominique Ansel's bakery and the most common English name of a figure who employed the dragon Campe as a guard and wielded a *harpe* sword made of stone or (*) adamantine. When followed by a T, these five letters name a highly-sought-after product made of cream-filled laminated dough. When followed by an S, they name a figure who was tricked into swallowing the Omphalos stone after castrating his father Uranus. For 10 points, give these five letters, none of which is "K", that begin the name of Zeus's father.

ANSWER: cronu or C-R-O-N-U [The words are "cronut" and "Cronus."] <Carson>


Now it's time for some action tossups, which are not a terrible trend in old quizbowl writing, but are instead a delight at parties. 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 a partner; when you buzz, you must choose a partner and perform the action. Without explicitly stating what you're trying to do, you can physically or verbally direct them to do things. Good luck!

13. The angel on the Vandoni spire in the north-west corner of the Duomo Di Milano is performing this action. The main part of the Pilgrim Statue created by Hammat Billings for the National Monument to the Forefathers is doing this action. One person performing this action wears a red robe and stands next to a man in a blue robe while carrying a copy of (*) *Timaeus*. A blonde guy leans against the inside of a stone arch while a man in an orange robe stands by some shackles and offers a cup to a man who does this action with the other hand. For 10 points, perform this action that Socrates does with the hand not reaching for the hemlock in *Death of Socrates* and that Plato does while standing next to Aristotle in *School of Athens*.

ANSWER: [pointing upwards with their pointer finger] <Grames>

14. Partner required. The most famous depiction of this pose is the third altar of science on the Illuminati "Path of Illumination" in *Angels & Demons*. That depiction of this pose is found under a cherub-filled sky fresco and is flanked by two theater boxes containing donor portraits of various members of the Cornaro family. The event it represents involved one participant's "very (*) entrails" seemingly being drawn out and replaced with a feeling of being "all on fire with a great love of God". Gilded rays hang down above that depiction of this pose, in which one figure holds an arrow or spear. For 10 points, reenact Bernini's *Ecstasy of St. Theresa*.



ANSWER:  <Games>

15. A man sings about giving his love a cherry that had no stone and a chicken that had no bones before a man in a toga does this action and then apologizes to him in *Animal House*. Billie Joe Armstrong compared himself to Justin Bieber while going on a rant about only having one minute left at the iHeartRadio Music Festival before performing this action. Matthew Bellamy of Muse holds a Guinness world record for performing this action, which was first done by Pete (*) Townshend after he accidentally bumped a Rickenbacker into a ceiling. A photographed incident of this action done by Paul Simonon at the Palladium is shown on the cover of an album whose songs include "Rudie Can't Fail" and "Lost in the Supermarket." For 10 points, perform this action shown on the cover of *London Calling* by The Clash.

ANSWER: smashing a guitar <Games>

16. Partner required. One performance of this action was inspired by a woman saying "you have a very good autumn face, even now." Homer avoids performing this action by hiding in a Christmas tree bound for the dump that someone wanted to get rid of in April after cutting in line at the Kwik-E-Mart. The "petticoat" version of this action took place between Mrs. Elphinstone and Lady Almeria. Andrew (*) Jackson engaged in this action after Charles Dickinson called his wife Rachel a bigamist. Mikhail Lermontov and Alexander Pushkin died as a result of performing this action. For 10 points, perform this action that Burr and Hamilton did at Weehawken.

ANSWER: duel with pistols <Games>

17. Multiple partners required, prop optional. This action was preceded by a delivery of “Big Mama’s and Papa’s Pizzeria” which angered Pepsi. A record set by this action surpassed a mark previously held by a depiction of Barack and Michelle Obama hugging. One of the participants in this action wears a strapless red peplum dress and stands next to its instigator, who wears a white suit. This action took place at the same event at which John (*) Travolta coined the name "Adele Dazeem". Bradley Cooper held the Samsung device used to perform this action, which was engineered by a comedian married to Portia de Rossi. For 10 points, perform this most retweeted photo ever, a group selfie from the 2014 Oscars.



ANSWER:
<Games>

Lest you get too comfortable, we're going to do a few mashup tossups. Answers will require a linguistically logical combination of two things; answers giving only one thing will receive nothing but scorn.

18. This phrase titles a play by Woody Allen in which Puey, Susey, and Louis, the nephews of the magazine writer Allan Felix, help him in his conflict with the evil pirate Blackbeak. The character mentioned in this phrase is played by Dooley Wilson but voiced by Maurice LaMarche, who is actually told to (*) "follow his nose" to "As Time Goes By". For 10 points, give this famous misquotation from *Casablanca*, a request made by Humphrey Bogart's character to the Froot Loops mascot.

ANSWER: "play it again, Toucan Sam" <Jose>

19. In this movie, a blind boy insists "this is how I say hello" while groping a girl named Mary Jane on an airplane en route to a resort on Spooky Island. A luchador named Zarkos and an ostrich poacher named Mark tell the protagonists of this movie that Mondavarious has turned the Norwegian men into demons. An old man posing as a doorman is unmasked as the leader of a bubble wrap cult, prompting a character in this movie to say (*) "zoinks, it's Zoltan!" In the sequel to this movie, subtitled *Monsters Unleashed*, five alien women merge to become a giant that is looking for the Continuum Transfunctioner, which is a Rubik's cube. For 10 points, name this movie in which a dog solves the mystery of what happened to Jesse and Chester's lost vehicle with the help of Daphne, Velma, Fred, and Shaggy.

ANSWER: *Scooby Dood Where's My Car?* <Games>

20. Virginia Woolf asserted that "all Hounslow Harriers should let flowers fall on" a copy of this movie. A crush on the Jonathan Rhys-Meyers-portrayed Joe, the rakish Earl of Rochester, distracts this movie's main character from completing *The Fair Jilt* and the poem "The Disappointment". Its protagonist travels to Suriname with her closeted best friend Tony and her new friend Jules, played by (*) Keira Knightley, despite the fact that her parents had forbidden her from doing any more spying for Charles II. For 10 points, name this Gurinder Chadha film in which the author of *Oroonoko* learns how to play soccer.

ANSWER: *Aphra Behnd It Like Beckham* <Carson>

Congratulations on surviving this packet, and thank you for indulging us. One more action tossup for the road.

21. PARTNER OPTIONAL. A famous example of this action may have been inspired by an earlier appearance in *Mucedorus*, and has often been enacted with the help of shadows, puppets, or other substitutes for a thing that may have initially been acquired from a certain London "pit". A man performs this action at the end of a speech in which he describes a nighttime visit from an apparition of a white-robed woman who begs him to go to the geographically-dubious desert seacoast of (*) Bohemia and give the name "Perdita" to a baby he is instructed to abandon. A group of people, such as your entire team, doing this at the same time is indicated by the word "Exeunt", which usually ends acts. For 10 points, the death of Antigonus in *The Winter's Tale* comes after he takes what action, "pursued by a bear"?

ANSWER: [exiting the stage, perhaps pursued by a bear] <Carson>