Finals

Regulation Tossups

(1) This coach relegated veteran DeAndre Jordan to bench-warming duties and relied on second-year big man Nick Claxton. This coach made the decision to play James (+) Harden for over 40 minutes in Game 5 of a 2021 series against the Bucks. This coach led his team to a 48-24 record despite pairing superstars (*) Kevin Durant and Kyrie Irving for fewer than 20 games. For the point, identify this former two-time MVP for the Phoenix Suns who coaches the Brooklyn Nets.

ANSWER: Steve **Nash** (or Stephen John **Nash**)

(2) One character on this show becomes the star of *The Crows Have Eyes III* and was previously known for the soap opera *Sunrise Bay*. A recurring setting on this series is owned by (+) Twyla and called Café Tropical. In the finale of this series, the a cappella group The Jazzagals sing Tina Turner's "The Best." (*) For the point, identify this Canadian sitcom about the once-rich Rose family adjusting to life in a small town.

ANSWER: Schitt's Creek

(3) This athlete won his first world title by handing Carlos Baldomir his first TKO. This boxer defended his title against Turkish fighter Avni Yıldırım and signed a controversial 11-fight deal with (+) DAZN [[duh-"ZONE"]] that eventually ended with a lawsuit. This boxer fought Gennady Golovkin in a much-hyped bout that ended with a hotly debated split decision. (*) For the point, identify this Mexican boxer nicknamed Cinnamon.

ANSWER: Canelo **Álvarez**

(4) This star of the 1976 film A Star is Born became the first woman to win the Golden Globe for Best Director with a story about a woman who disguises herself as a boy to enter a yeshiva. (+) This woman starred as the title character in the film adaptations of the musicals Hello, Dolly! and Funny Girl. (*) For the point, identify this star of Yentl, a legend of stage and screen known as Babs.

ANSWER: Barbra **Streisand** (accept **Babs** before mentioned)

(5) Description acceptable. A ball that hit and stunned catcher David Ross during this event allowed two runs to score. Ross would later retire and manage the central team in this event. Raji Davis blew a save for Aroldis Chapman during this event by (+) tying the game with a homerun in the bottom of the eighth inning before Ben Zobrist drove in the winning run. (*) For the point, identify this event that ended a 108-year-old championship drought for a National League team from the Midwest.

ANSWER: <u>Chicago Cubs Win</u>ning the 2016 <u>World Series</u> (accept either city or nickname; accept <u>Chicago Cubs Win</u>ning <u>Game 7</u> or equivalents; prompt on answers like "beating Cleveland")

(6) A bonus mode in this game series' first installment was called Bumper Ball Maze and that game's sequel introduced item shops, as well as Battle and Duel modes. Chump (+) Charity is a feature from this game's eighth installment that re-tools the Last Five Turns event. Bonuses in this game series include the Coin and Happening Stars. (*) For the point, identify this turn-based video game series in which Nintendo characters play minigames.

ANSWER: Mario Party

(7) This college was led during a Final Four run by third-year player Dillon Brooks and eventual second-round pick Jordan Bell. This college's women's team was home to a point guard who won the 2019 Player of the Year Award and set the NCAA record for (+) triple-doubles. A player from this college set the franchise rookie record for three-pointers for the Boston Celtics. Payton Pritchard and Sabrina lonescu attended, (*) for the point, what Pac-12 school known as the Ducks?

ANSWER: University of **Oregon**

(8) This artist collaborated with both Ellie Goulding and Diplo on the song "Close to Me." This artist formed a hip-hop duo with his brother, Slim (+) Jxmmy [[JIMMY]], with whom he created the smash hit "Black Beatles." This artist was featured on the lead single from the motion picture *Spiderman: Into The Spider Verse*. (*) For the point, identify this artist who worked with Post Malone on the song "Sunflower" and forms one half of Rae Sremmurd.

ANSWER: Swae **Lee**

(9) This player refused to celebrate when he scored two goals in the 2018 Champions League against his former club. AS Roma. In that same year, this player won the Premier League Golden Boot after netting a record-breaking (+) 32 goals for his side. This player helped his country reach the 2017 African Cup of Nations Final where they lost to (*) Cameroon. For the point, name this Egyptian forward who won the Premier League title with Liverpool in 2020.

ANSWER: Mo **Salah** (or Mohamed **Salah**)

(10) While boarding Sidon Ithanos' ship, this character looks to the sky and hears screams from the planet Hosnian Prime. This character is called a "bug in the system" by their former commander, Captain (+) Phasma. This character says "Come get it!" before dueling a villain with a three-bladed (*) lightsaber. For the point, identify this former stormtrooper once known as FN-2187, a hero of the new Star Wars trilogy.

ANSWER: **Finn** (accept **FN-2187** before mentioned)

One character in this musical sings "Helpless now I stand with him/Watching older dreams go dim" in the song "Far from the Home I Love." The ensemble in this musical sings "One season follows another" in the song "Sunrise, Sunset." (+) "Tradition" is a song from this musical in which the main character wishes to "biddy biddy bum" all day long in the song "If I Were a Rich Man." (*) For the point, identify this musical about the village Anatevka and Tevye the milkman.

ANSWER: *Fiddler on the Roof* (prompt on partial answers)

(12) After Hungary, this country has the second most Summer Olympic medals per person. This country was defeated in the gold medal match by the Miracle on Ice team (+) that defeated the Soviets at the 1980 winter games. An athlete from this country earned nine gold medals in distance running between 1920 and 1928. Paavo (*) Nurmi hailed from, for the point, what country that hosted the 1952 games in Helsinki?

ANSWER: Republic of <u>Finland</u> (accept <u>Suomi</u>; accept <u>Suomen</u> tasavalta; accept <u>Republiken Finland</u>)

(13) This author is one of "The Exiles" in a Ray Bradbury story that also features contemporaries Algernon Blackwood and Ambrose Bierce. (+) Calvin and Hobbes parodied this author's most famous work as "A Nauseous Nocturne." The Mystery Writers of America present an annual (*) award named for this author. For the point, identify this Baltimore-based author who teams up with Batman to solve a series of murders in the D.C. limited series Nevermore.

ANSWER: Edgar Allan Poe

(14) Event and city required. One of these events in this city featured back-to-back kickoff returns for touchdowns by New York's Ron Dixon and Baltimore's Jermaine Lewis. In a 2021 iteration of these events in this city, Patrick (+) Mahomes and the Chiefs lost to the first team to ever play for an NFL championship in their home stadium. (*) For the point, identify this event and city that saw Tom Brady and the Buccaneers lift the Lombardi Trophy near a Florida bay.

ANSWER: **Super Bowl**s in **Tampa** (accept **Tampa** Bay for **Tampa**; prompt on partial answers)

(15) This woman played a high school student running for student government president in *Election* and played Mrs. Whatsit alongside Oprah Winfrey and Mindy Kaling in *A Wrinkle in Time*. (+) This woman won an Oscar for playing June Carter opposite Joaquin Phoenix in a country music biopic. This star of *Walk the Line* also played a fashion student who enters (*) Harvard Law School. For the point, name this actress and star of *Legally Blonde*.

ANSWER: Reese Witherspoon

(16) Paul W. S. Anderson directed installments in this series subtitled *Retribution* and *Afterlife*. In the first entry in this series, the AI system Red Queen (+) kills everyone inside a research facility called the Hive. That facility is located below Raccoon City and run by the Umbrella (*) Corporation. For the point, identify this horror movie franchise starring Mila Jovovich as the zombie-killing Alice, an adaptation of a video game series.

ANSWER: Resident Evil

This athlete saved a butterfly that flew into her face during a serve in a second-round match in 2021. This athlete was the first since Jennifer Capriati to win her first two Grand (+) Slams in succession, winning the U.S. Open in 2018 and the Aussie Open in 2019. This player pulled out of the 2021 French Open and Wimbledon, citing a "mental health break" and saying (*) "it's OK not to be OK." For the point, name this Haitian-Japanese tennis player.

ANSWER: Naomi **Osaka**

(18) The singer of this song says that "I'll be the bad guy now." The music video for this song features the performer dressed as a knight traversing a war-torn scene while being watched through a magic mirror. (+) This song asserts "You thought that it was special" before informing the dedicatee otherwise, but adding "I still hear the echoes." (*) For the point, identify this Post Malone song that says we're "running in" the title shapes.

ANSWER: "Circles"

(19) This author partnered with David Levithan on the novel Will Grayson, Will Grayson. In one work by this author, the poem "Song of Myself" reveals that Margo (+) is hiding in Agloe, New York. This author's best-known novel is told by a young woman with thyroid cancer named Hazel. This author created the VlogBrothers (*) with his brother, Hank. For the point, identify this author of *The Fault in Our Stars*.

ANSWER: John **Green**

(20) This player was caught saying "Worst day ever" after fumbling away a 2011 game against the Chiefs. Upon his retirement, this player took the head coaching job at Alabama's St. Michael High School. (+) This player was selected 4th overall in the 2004 NFL Draft by the Giants, and then traded to the team where he would spend the next 16 seasons. Antonio Gates and Keenan Allen (*) were targets of, for the point, what quarterback who started for the Colts and Chargers?

ANSWER: Philip Rivers

One song from this musical declares "...not playing dumb will feel so good" and is set at the Mathletes State Championship. A character in this musical wishes for "World peace/And Halloween every single day." (+) A character in this musical sings "I will grind you to sand/Beneath my Louboutin heel" while adding names to her burn book, and that song is sung by Regina (*) George. For the point, identify this musical based on a Lindsay Lohan high school film.

ANSWER: **Mean Girls**

(22) The first Olympic champion in this event was American Jim Thorpe, who won it in 1912. This event ends with a 1500 meter run after two days (+) of competition. Stages of this event include the 110 meter hurdles and the discus throw, unlike two similar, (*) shorter events. For the point, identify this Olympic event in which athletes accumulate points by competing against each other in ten different track and field events.

ANSWER: **<u>Decathlon</u>** (do not accept "Pentathlon" or "Heptathlon")

One holder of this position used the sign-off "we're trying to build a kinder and gentler society." News anchors who took this job included Savanna Guthrie and Robin Roberts. (+) Anderson Cooper and Buzzy Cohen were lauded for their performance in this job, which LeVar Burton took after a fan campaign. (*) For the point, identify this position currently filled by Mayim Bialik and Ken Jennings and most famously held by Alex Trebek.

ANSWER: <u>Host</u> of <u>Jeopardy!</u> (be lenient; accept related terms such as Guest <u>Host</u> or Replacement <u>Host</u> provided they mention <u>Jeopardy!</u>)

(24) This athlete made his MLB debut in 2018 where his swing was derided as "like a high school hitter's." Despite that criticism, this athlete hit 22 home runs with 61 RBIs and earned AL Rookie of the Year. (+) This player hit more than 31 home runs in 2021 to pass Hideki Matsui for the season record for a Japanese-Born player. (*) For the point, identify this hitter and pitcher who plays for the Los Angeles Angels.

ANSWER: **Shohei Ohtani** (accept either name)

One actress with this first name played the attorney Maggie Lizer on Arrested Development and starred as the title character in The New Adventures of Old Christine.

(+) Another actress with this first name played museum curator Tess, the ex-wife of Danny Ocean, and co-starred with Richard Gere in Runaway Bride and (*) Pretty Woman. For the point, identify this first name shared by actresses Roberts and Louis-Dreyfus.

ANSWER: <u>Julia</u> (accept <u>Julia</u> Louis-Dreyfus or <u>Julia</u> Roberts)

(26) This band experimented with a psychedelic sound with the single "Heroes and Villains." "Sloop John B" was a hit for this band that first hit #1 with the song "I Get Around." (+) This band most recently topped the charts with a 1988 song that mentions locations such as "Aruba" and (*) "Jamaica." For the point, identify this California surf rock band known for "Good Vibrations" and "Kokomo."

ANSWER: The **Beach Bovs**

(27) Saints safety Marcus Williams missed a tackle that allowed this player to score the game-winning touchdown in a 2018 playoff game. This player combined for 18 receiving touchdowns with teammate Adam Thielen in the 2018 season and was the receiver of the so-called (+) 'Minneapolis Miracle.' This player caught eight touchdowns from Josh Allen in the 2020 season, and ten more in 2021. (*) For the point, identify this former Vikings receiver who wears #14 with the Buffalo Bills.

ANSWER: Stefon **Diggs**

(28) Characters from this franchise fought Wonder Woman and Darkseid in a 2008 crossover before the bankruptcy of Midway Games. The original entry in this series included levels called Chamber of the Flame (+) and The Pit. That game was framed around a tournament with competitors such as Kano and Sonya Blade. Senator Joseph Lieberman condemned this game for its trademark (*) Fatalities. For the point, identify this fighting game franchise starring Scorpion and Sub-Zero.

ANSWER: **Mortal Kombat**

(29) The most recent live-action film based on *The Flintstones* is set in a location inspired by this city. Chandler first proposes to Monica in this city on a two-part episode of (+) *Friends* that ends with Rachel and Ross marrying. Rick Harrison owns and operates the Gold & Silver Pawn Shop in this (*) Clark County city. For the point, identify this Nevada city known for its gambling industry.

ANSWER: Las **Vegas**

(30) A supergroup led by Sammy Hagar is named for the foot of this animal. This animal is the first word in the title of a song about "cold beer on a Friday night" (+) and "a pair of jeans that fit just right." This animal follows "no love, pride, deep- (*) fried" in the lyrics to "Drops of Jupiter" by Train. For the point, identify this farm bird whose namesake party dance sees performers flap their wings and cluck with their hands.

ANSWER: <u>Chicken</u> accept <u>Chickenfoot</u>; accept "<u>Chicken</u> Fried;" accept The <u>Chicken</u> Dance)

(31) This MLB team went on a 14-1 winning streak to qualify for the 2007 MLB postseason before beating the Padres in a one-game playoff when Matt Holiday scored on a controversial sac fly. This team's Blake Street Bombers (+) included Vinny Castilla, Dante Bichette, and Larry Walker. This team was led in RBIs in 2020 by Charlie Blackmon and Trevor Story, and they later traded away Nolan Arenado. (*) For the point, identify this team that plays at Coors Field.

ANSWER: **Colorado Rockies** (accept either name)

(32) One character in this film claims to be "fixing a divot" while digging a hole on a golf course where the main character disappeared. Earlier in this film, that main character strikes out while playing for a minor league (+) baseball team in Alabama. That character in this film later turns the tide in its central event by introducing teammates to his 'Secret Stuff.' (*) For the point, identify this 1996 basketball comedy starring Michael Jordan and the Looney Tunes.

ANSWER: **Space Jam**

(33) In 1952, this toy became the first to advertise on television. This toy symbolically handed a signature accessory to Surgeon General C. Everett Koop to promote a smoke-free lifestyle. (+) A film version of this toy memorably asks "What are you looking at, hockey puck?" in the first Pixar film. Star Wars versions of this toy include Luke Frywalker (*) and Yam Solo. For the point, identify this customizable toy in the shape of a starchy vegetable.

ANSWER: Mr./Mrs. Potato Head

(34) Two of this group's early releases include *ATLiens* and *Aquemini*, the latter of which contained the song "Rosa Parks." (+) This group had their first #1 hit with a song that says "Never meant to make your daughter cry/I apologize a trillion times." "Ms. Jackson" (*) was recorded by this band that asks the listener to "Shake it like a Polaroid picture" on another #1 hit. For the point, identify this Atlanta hip-hop duo known for "Hey Ya!"

ANSWER: **Outkast**

(35) This actor's first television role was as his real-life father, Rocky, on an episode of *That '70s Show*. This actor played Spencer Strasmore, a former University of Miami linebacker-turned-sports-agent on the show (+) Ballers, and adventurer Smolder Bravestone in a film subtitled Welcome to the Jungle. (*) For the point, identify this wrestler-turned-actor known for Rampage and Jumanji.

ANSWER: Dwayne 'The **Rock**' **Johnson** (accept either underlined name)

Extra Questions

(1) In one role, this actor offers a deal to extreme sports enthusiast and criminal Xander Cage. In addition to playing Agent Gibbons in the XXX films, this actor starred as the title character in the M. Night Shyamalan film Glass and voiced the hero (+) Frozone in The Incredibles. Denzel Washington presented this actor with a lifetime achievement award at the 2022 Academy Awards. (*) For the point, name this actor who plays Nick Fury in the Marvel Cinematic Universe.

ANSWER: Samuel L. **Jackson**

(2) This song's music video features actor Eric Roberts and was inspired by Moulin Rouge! This song has spent a record 300+ weeks on the UK Singles Chart, despite the fact that the band who recorded it is American. (+) This song was the first single released off its band's debut, Hot Fuss, and lines in this song include "choking on your alibis" (*) and "it started out with a kiss." For the point, open up your "eager eyes" and identify this song by The Killers.

ANSWER: "Mr. Brightside"

(3) In this director's most recent film, Ray Romano plays Bill Bufalino, an attorney to Jimmy Hoffa. This director made a film about Ace Rothstein's attempts to open the title business in Las Vegas, and another film inspired by the life of Howard (+) Hughes. This director of *The Aviator* and *Casino* got their first Best Director nomination for a film about boxer Jake LaMotta. (*) For the point, identify this director behind *Raging Bull* and *Goodfellas*.

ANSWER: Martin **Scorsese**

(4) This singer released an album of ABBA covers after appearing in Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again. One song by this artist describes the title character as the "fortune queen of New Orleans." In addition to recording songs such as (+) "Dark Lady" and "Half Breed," this singer earned her fourth #1 hit with a 1998 song that helped to popularize AutoTune. (*) For the point, identify this diva who sang "Believe."

ANSWER: Cher

(5) Position and school required. One player of this position at this school racked up 100 yards in the 2019 National Championship game before becoming a first round pick for the Minnesota Vikings. (+) While in the NFL, the most notable player of this position at this school made a one-handed touchdown grab against Cowboys (*) corner Brandon Carr. For the point, identify this position played at a university in the Pelican State by Justin Jefferson and Odell Beckham Jr.

ANSWER: $\underline{\mathbf{W}}$ ide $\underline{\mathbf{R}}$ eceiver at $\underline{\mathbf{L}}$ ouisiana $\underline{\mathbf{S}}$ tate $\underline{\mathbf{U}}$ niversity (accept $\underline{\mathbf{WR}}$ at $\underline{\mathbf{LSU}}$ or any combination of short-hands)

(6) This park removed what one reporter called "a seven story monstrosity" that came to life every time a home run was hit by the home team. During periods of low attendance, some speculated that fans only came to games to attend this park's Clevelander nightclub (+) afterward. In 2021, this park was renamed LoanDepot park and its home plate fish tanks were removed by new CEO Derek Jeter. (*) For the point, identify this park home to a South Florida MLB team since 2012.

ANSWER: <u>Marlins Park</u> (accept <u>LoanDepot Park</u> before mentioned; prompt on "Marlins" alone)

(7) The player first takes control of this game's main character as a villain is being wheeled through the Intensive Treatment Lobby after meeting Warden Sharp. This is the first game in its series with (+) Detective Mode, and a side quest in this game involves trophies shaped like question marks. (*) The main character of this game defeats the final boss with an explosive gel punch. For the point, identify this game in which Batman takes on the Joker at a Gotham prison.

ANSWER: Batman: Arkham Asylum (do not accept the sequels, "Batman: Arkham City", "Batman: Arkham Origins", or "Batman: Arkham Knight")

(8) One athlete with this last name played for the WNBA's Tulsa Shock in 2010 after she was forced to relinquish the five medals she won at the 2000 Sydney games following implication in the BALCO Scandal. (+) Another athlete with this last name became one of the few to compete in both the Summer and Winter Olympics when she joined the USA bobsled team. (*) For the point, identify this common last name shared by athletes Lolo and Marion.

ANSWER: **Iones**