

USHB Round 6

Regulation Tossups

(1) This man set off an immense controversy within Unitarianism by completely rejecting the divine or miraculous character of Jesus in his Harvard Divinity School address. A year earlier, this man suggested removing the "iron lids" of European thought in his speech to Harvard's Phi Beta Kappa Society entitled "The American Scholar." This man commented that "a foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds" in another of his treatises. For ten points, name this transcendentalist philosopher who wrote essays such as "Self-Reliance."

ANSWER: Ralph Waldo **Emerson**

(2) The protagonist of this book recalls being sexually propositioned by Eppes and taught carpentry by Travis before beginning to have visions of fighting angels. This book's historical detail is sourced from a series of interviews with prosecutor Thomas Ruffin Gray. The title character of this novel is challenged by his disciple, Will, to personally kill the abolitionist Margaret Whitehead. For ten points, name this 1967 William Styron novel that fictionalizes an 1831 slave rebellion in rural Virginia.

ANSWER: *The **Confessions of Nat Turner***

(3) This performer crossed over to popular audiences by working as the soloist on the score for the M. Night Shyamalan [[SHAH-mah-lahn]] film *The Village* and recording a Samuel Barber piece for *The Deep Blue Sea*. This woman collaborated with Hauschka [[HOW-shkah]] on the *Silfra* improvisational album and plays two Jean-Baptiste Vuillaume [[vwee-YOHM]] instruments that are designed to emulate a Paganini and Stradivarius, respectively. At 41-years old, this woman was named the Chicago Symphony Orchestra's first artist-in-residence in 2021. For ten points, name this American violinist.

ANSWER: Hilary **Hahn**

(4) Thomas Ewing submitted reports to Stephen Douglas on irregularities surrounding endorsement of this document. The plebiscite that supported this document was widely infiltrated by fraudulent voting from groups known as "bushwhackers" and "border ruffians." This document was followed by another failed draft named for Leavenworth and a successful application for statehood accompanied by a version known for Wyandotte. For ten points, name this 1857 document which pro-slavery forces submitted during the process of admitting Kansas as a state.

ANSWER: **Lecompton constitution** (prompt on "constitution of Kansas" before "Kansas" is mentioned)

(5) Governor George Mathews was one of the chief perpetrators of this scandal, which, after its exposure by men such as James Jackson, led to a public burning of documents with a magnifying glass. The area subject to this scandal was located to the west of the Pine Barrens, where an almost identical affair took place. The Supreme Court case *Fletcher v. Peck* struck down attempts to invalidate the contracts at the heart of this scandal. For ten points, name this 1790s scandal in which Georgia politicians sold off western lands in corrupt deals.

ANSWER: **Yazoo** scandal (or **Yazoo** land fraud)

(6) During Reconstruction, this artist painted a former family of enslaved people giving a chilly greeting to a former plantation resident in *A Visit from the Old Mistress*. This painter depicted General Francis Barlow in a scene including surrendering Confederate officers, *Prisoners from the Front*. This artist's *After the Hurricane* may depict the same Black sailor whose broken boat is encircled by sharks in another of his scenes. For ten points, name this painter of *Breezing Up* and *The Gulf Stream*.

ANSWER: Winslow **Homer**

(7) A 1911 Act named after a leader of this organization known as "Big Tim" was one of the U.S.'s first gun control laws. The Sullivan Act was named for a head of this group, whose head during the 1850s split off to form a group named for Mozart. Richard Croker and Fernando Wood came to power as leaders of this group, whose most notorious "honest graft" proponent was a frequent target of Thomas Nast. For ten points, name this ethnically-tied club whose influence was extended by "Boss" Tweed and which controlled New York City's Democratic Party until the mid-20th century.

ANSWER: **Tammany** Hall (or Society of St. **Tammany**; or Sons of St. **Tammany**; prompt on "Columbian Order")

(8) An instance of this activity that began at Round Island implicated Mississippi's former senator John Henderson and sitting governor John Quitman as supporters. Six years later, the most successful example of this activity displaced the rule of the Accessory Transit Company. Narciso López engaged in this activity in Cuba, and William Walker did it in Nicaragua. For ten points, what activity of American adventurers attempting to take over Latin American territory lends its name to the practice of stalling Senate legislation by speaking for a long period of time?

ANSWER: **Filibustering**

(9) This man co-discovered a method for using simulated random paths to solve partial differential equations, with Mark Kac. During a brief time working in biology, this man attempted to understand research on animal nerve voltages by asking for a "map of the cat." A 1974 graduation address by this man coined the term "cargo cult science." This man gave a brief demonstration using a cup of ice water and a Morton-Thiokol O-ring. For ten points, name this physicist who investigated the *Challenger* disaster and invented namesake quantum "diagrams."

ANSWER: Richard (Phillips) **Feynman** (accept **Feynman**-Kac Formula; accept **Feynman** diagram)

(10) Resolutions of this conference included setting a border at the Oder-Neisse [[NYE-suh]] line. The "Big Three" at this conference joined with Chiang Kai-Shek to issue a "Declaration" of the same name calling for the surrender of Japan. Midway through this conference, the results of the Trinity test were communicated, and Clement Attlee displaced Winston Churchill as the British representative at this conference. For ten points, name this conference at which Harry Truman consulted with British and Soviet leadership on the occupation of the recently surrendered Germany, where this event was held.

ANSWER: **Potsdam** Conference (accept **Potsdam** Declaration)

(11) In 1957 and 1963, this commentator visited foreign right-wing regimes, which he praised in the "Letter from Spain" and "South African Fortnight." This man's Connecticut estate provided the name for the manifesto of Young Americans for Freedom, the Sharon Statement. This author of the Blackford Oakes spy novels spent 33 years, mostly on PBS, hosting the debate show *Firing Line*. During an ABC special on the 1968 Democratic National Convention, this man threatened Gore Vidal by stating, "I'll sock you in the face." For ten points, name this founder of the conservative *National Review*.

ANSWER: William F(rank) **Buckley**, Jr.

(12) This amendment provides for the new Congress, rather than the outgoing Congress, to hold contingent elections. Provisions of this amendment, which was partly superseded by the 25th Amendment, clarify the Congressional power to rule on questions of presidential succession and outline a procedure for responding to the death of the president-elect before Inauguration Day. The main effect of this amendment, which altered several portions of the Twelfth Amendment, was to shorten "lame duck" periods. For ten points, what Constitutional amendment moved the date of presidential inaugurations to January 20?

ANSWER: **20th** Amendment (or Amendment **20**)

(13) This man began his most notable work near Brokenstraw Creek at Warren, Pennsylvania. This man once showed up a missionary in Mansfield by announcing, "Here is your primitive Christian!" This man, who was supposedly followed everywhere by a loyal wolf, spread the gospel of the New Church while expanding the range of dogfennel and other plants from the 1810s to the 1830s, largely in new settlements of rural Ohio. For ten points, name this Swedenborgian evangelist who travelled the American frontier planting fruit trees.

ANSWER: Johnny **Appleseed** (or John **Chapman**)

(14) A man whose career ended as head of this agency was denounced by Frances Perkins for handing out the Italian Fascist economics tract *The Corporate State* to influential politicians. The government's authority to create this agency was invalidated in the 1935 "sick chicken case." Charles Coiner designed the symbol of this agency, which contained the motto "we do our part" along with a stylized blue eagle. For ten points, name this early New Deal agency that attempted to impose semi-voluntary "codes" on businesses in order to boost labor standards.

ANSWER: **National Recovery Administration** (prompt on "NRA")

(15) During his time in Russia in the 1800s, this man advised Alexander I against starting a cotton industry and observed a pool of petroleum in Baku which he speculated might be a fuel source. This man, who was Martin van Buren's Secretary of War, was dispatched in 1828 to affirm borders negotiated with Spain in the Treaty of Limits and served as the first ambassador to newly-independent Mexico, from which he brought back a flower previously unknown in the U.S. For ten points, what diplomat now names that flower commonly displayed around Christmas?

ANSWER: Joel (Roberts) **Poinsett** (anti-prompt on "Poinsettia")

(16) Street & Smith introduced color illustrations and "all-ages" marketing to this genre, which was essentially invented by Frank Munsey's *Argosy* in 1896. This genre was dominated by the "Big Four" but sustained other publications, including H.L. Mencken's side project, which transitioned from this genre to hard-boiled detective fiction, called *Black Mask*. Proto-superheroes, such as Doc Savage and The Shadow, debuted in this genre, which was eclipsed in popularity by the rise of Golden Age comic books. For ten points, name this genre of popular literature in the 20th century that was named for being printed on cheap paper.

ANSWER: **Pulp** fiction (or **Pulp** magazines)

(17) This man ordered the imprisonment of Rose Greenhow during a period in which he was personally responsible for listing Confederate sympathizers to be detained, a power which was removed from him after he accused Franklin Pierce of disloyalty. This man, who negotiated a settlement to the *Trent* Affair, was severely injured in a stabbing by Lewis Powell at the same time that Lincoln was shot. In 1867, this man concluded a 7.2 million dollar land deal with Eduard de Stoeckl [[STECK-ul]]. For ten points, name this Secretary of State throughout the 1860s who purchased Alaska in a namesake "Folly."

ANSWER: William (Henry) **Seward** (accept **Seward's Folly**)

(18) This neighborhood was the eastern terminus of the old Route 66. In this community area, the intersection of Madison Street and State Street provides the origin point of the local street grid numbers. Hyatt Hotels and United Airlines are headquartered in this neighborhood, which is the largest business district in the U.S. outside of New York. The name of this area came from a pattern formed by cable car lines, which have since been replaced by El [[ELL]] tracks. For ten points, name this core area of downtown Chicago.

ANSWER: The **Loop** (prompt on "downtown Chicago" before mentioned)

(19) William Garrison wrote a personal apology for the conduct of this battle, during which Malaysian and Pakistani troops supporting American forces suffered casualties along with 19 U.S. deaths in a retreat on foot from Hawlwadig Road. This battle began as an attempt during Operation Gothic Serpent to capture two commanders of Mohamed Farrah Aidid's militia. Intensifying after two Black Hawk helicopters were shot down, for ten points, what was this 1993 battle during which 19 U.S. soldiers died in Somalia?

ANSWER: Battle of **Mogadishu** (accept **Black Hawk Down** incident before "Black Hawk" is mentioned)

(20) At a 1781 battle with this adjective in its name, Mad Anthony Wayne's forces escaped with a bayonet charge after being trapped in James City County by Lord Cornwallis, nine weeks before the Battle of Yorktown. This adjective, which names that battle along with the word "Spring," also refers to a farmer's anti-draft rebellion in 1917 Oklahoma known as this kind of "corn." The Legal Tender Cases affirmed the constitutionality of demand notes known by this adjective. For ten points, name this color of certain "backs" which pioneered non-gold-based money in the U.S.

ANSWER: **Green** (accept Battle of **Green** Spring; accept **Green** Corn Rebellion; accept **Greenbacks**; accept **Greenback** Party)

(21) Robert Elliott Burns wrote a memoir titled for escaping from one of these groups, which was adapted into a 1932 film starring Paul Muni titled *I Am a Fugitive from a* [this kind of group]. The decline in "convict leasing" after 1908 led to the rise in the use of these groups. Often housed in temporary boxcar accommodation while moving between construction sites, these groups were frequently used to build roads. For ten points, name these physically-constrained groups of prisoners who were made to labor in Southern U.S. correctional systems.

ANSWER: **Chain gangs** (or **Road gangs**)

(22) As president, this man ruled against Hansborough Bell's attempt to claim what is now New Mexico for Texas. This man was politically damaged by the involvement of his Secretary of War, George Galphin, in a brazenly corrupt inheritance case. Earlier, this commander successively defeated Mariano Arista, Pedro de Ampudia, and Santa Anna in a campaign culminating at Buena Vista. For ten points, name this Mexican War hero whose presidency ended with his 1850 death and succession by Millard Fillmore.

ANSWER: Zachary **Taylor**

(23) A dispute between this company and Dallas-area politicians led to the passing of the Wright Amendment, which until 2014 restricted this company's entire industry from certain operations at Love Field. This company's CEO, Herbert Kelleher, won trademark rights to this company's motto, "Plane Smart," in an arm-wrestling match. Cost-cutting strategies by this company include training mechanics exclusively on Boeing 737s, the only model it uses. For ten points, name this discount carrier which is the third-largest airline by passenger volume in the U.S.

ANSWER: **Southwest** Airlines Co.

(24) This city names a fad that used James Price Johnson's music from *Runnin' Wild* and modified the Juba. The Fox-Cross company's main product was a candy named after this city. A clave rhythm is played while a performer moves opposite arms and legs during a walking-in-place motion in a dance named for this city that was often performed by flappers. A 1920s dance craze was named after, for ten points, what South Carolina city?

ANSWER: **Charleston** (accept "The **Charleston**"; accept **Charleston** Chew)

(25) In 2009, this museum's gift shop declined to stock *The Secret History of the Moguls and the Money*, Michael Gross's history of this museum. Charles Collens was commissioned by John Rockefeller to design this museum's secondary location in Fort Tryon Park, the medieval-focused building known as The Cloisters. *Madame X* and *Aristotle Contemplating the Bust of Homer* are among the holdings of this museum, whose main building juts into Central Park. For ten points, name this largest art museum in the U.S.

ANSWER: **Metropolitan Museum of Art** (or "The **Met**")

(26) In 1913, this city's mayor, Henry Albee, attempted to outlaw all non-religious public speaking. The 1957 CBS special *A Day Called X* chose this city to simulate the process of evacuating a major metropolitan area in advance of a nuclear strike. The 1970 consolidation of Tri-Met reformed public transit to this city's suburban counties of Yamhill and Clackamas. Since at least 2017, this city has experienced regular outbreaks of violence between groups such as Patriot Prayer and Rose City Antifa. For ten points, name this most populous city in Oregon.

ANSWER: **Portland**

(27) People affected by the failure of these institutions led to Lewis Seidman's Resolution Trust Company administering government insurance payments. Charles Keating operated the "Lincoln" example of these institutions that at one point had negative 100 million dollars in total value. Over a third of the 3200 institutions of this kind that operated in the U.S. in 1986 failed by 1995. For ten points, name this type of banking institution offering limited kinds of accounts that often collapsed in a late 1980s financial scandal.

ANSWER: **Savings and loans** (accept **S and L**; accept Lincoln **Savings and Loan** Association)

(28) J.R. Richard's career with this team was abruptly ended by a stroke, though this team enjoyed solid pitching throughout the 1980s from Joe Niekro, Mike Scott, and Nolan Ryan. Prior to joining the Big Red Machine, César Gerónimo and Joe Morgan were members of this team, which began play as the "Colt .45s" but was renamed after its pioneering indoor stadium. For ten points, name this team that later won a World Series title behind George Springer and Justin Verlander but was penalized for a sign-stealing scandal.

ANSWER: **Houston Astros** (accept either underlined portion; accept **Houston** Colt .45s; accept **Houston** Astrodome; prompt on "Astrodome")

(29) During this campaign, Fort Craig was defended with fake wooden "Quaker guns." Edward Canby took a close loss to Henry Sibley's forces at the Battle of Valverde during this campaign. Repeated raids on Confederate supply trains by Miguel Pino undermined seeming victories in this campaign, which included Charles Pyron's defeat of John Slough [[SLAO]] at the "Gettysburg of the West," the Battle of Glorieta Pass. For ten points, name this campaign of the Civil War during which Confederates failed in an attempted advance on Santa Fe.

ANSWER: **New Mexico** campaign (accept Battle of **Valverde** before mentioned)

(30) In the mythology of Glooskap, this animal is the most persistent in avoiding attempts at being shrunken. This animal taught people how to cultivate tobacco in Blackfoot myth and stole its tail from the muskrat in Menominee myth. Real animals of this kind were studied by Lewis Henry Morgan, who wrote about this American animal "and his works." The activist Grey Owl attempted to end the killing for fur of these animals. For ten points, name this animal which has a large flat tail and builds dams.

ANSWER: **Beaver** (accept North American **Beaver**; accept American **Beaver**; accept Canadian **Beaver**; accept *The American **Beaver** and His Works*)

(31) Lines found while studying one of these objects became known as the "Pickering series" after Edward Charles Pickering, who classified many of these objects with the assistance of women known as the "Harvard Computers." Annie Jump Cannon proposed sorting these objects based on the strength of Balmer lines. Henrietta Leavitt discovered a variable type of these objects used as a "standard candle." For ten points, name these objects which are organized into spectral classes such as K and M, or "red giants," by astronomers.

ANSWER: **Stars** (accept Variable **star**; accept **Binary** star before "sorting" is mentioned)

(32) This man was said to have been "embalmed before he even died" by Richard Daley. This man injured his knee in North Carolina, causing a staph infection which, coupled with his refusal to cover facial hair with makeup, caused a widespread perception of looking ill. This man addressed issues such as the U.S. military presence in the Taiwan Straits and Dwight Eisenhower's dismissal of his policy contributions in four fall 1960 broadcasts. For ten points, name this losing Republican nominee who was perceived to have underperformed in televised debates with John F. Kennedy.

ANSWER: Richard M(ilhou) **Nixon** (accept **Nixon**-Kennedy debates)

(33) Until 1982, the roads around this city's main intercity bus terminal comprised one of the few areas in the U.S. that used a left-side drive system with clockwise traffic circles. In 1990, this metro area opened its long-delayed return to rail transit service with a Blue Line originating at Pico Station. The film *Who Framed Roger Rabbit?* is set during the elimination of the streetcar system in this metro area. For ten points, name this metro area where public transit might extend to Tarzana, South Central, or Hollywood.

ANSWER: **Los Angeles**

(34) In this territory, a series of disasters, including a confrontation between Jonathan Thorn and the Tlaoquiaht [[TLAH-oh-KWEE-aht]], led to the destruction of the *Tonquin* shortly after the founding of Fort Astoria. The Continental Divide line separated the northern portion of this territory from Rupert's Land. A route named for this territory could be accessed starting at Independence or St. Joseph in Missouri, and was known as this territory's namesake "trail." For ten points, name this territory whose American portion was acquired after James Polk pledged "54 40 or fight."

ANSWER: **Oregon** territory (accept **Oregon** trail)

(35) Marjorie van Vliet joined this profession at age 55 to promote world peace causes. A prominent member of this profession, who sometimes worked alongside Herbert Julian, died while using a "Jenny" in 1926 and was known as "Queen Bess." Another member of this profession may have been eaten by coconut crabs on Nikumaroro Island. Bessie Coleman performed stunts as a member of this profession, which also included Wiley Post who disappeared in 1937. For ten points, identify this profession of Amelia Earhart.

ANSWER: **Pilots** (accept Stunt **pilot**; accept clear knowledge equivalents)

Extra Question

(1) At one time, travelers could avoid traversing this feature using the upstream Crossing of the Fathers. García López de Cárdenas was the first European explorer to encounter this feature. This geological structure was first scientifically probed by John Strong Newberry, eleven years before an expedition which began at the Green River in Moab and boated through this feature under the leadership of John Wesley Powell. In 2007, the Hualapai people opened a skywalk that juts out over this feature. For ten points, name this 6000-foot deep natural feature in Arizona.

ANSWER: **Grand Canyon**