ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE - REGIONS
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## Round 1

| 1a | Le Corbusier designed several buildings in which city as part of its bid to host the 1960 Summer Olympics? The project was mostly abandoned after a 1958 military coup, with only the gymnasium ever being constructed. | BAGHDAD (prompt on "Iraq") |
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| 1b | Which actor, who had prominent roles in Never Let Me Go, Hacksaw Ridge, and The Social Network, had one of his earliest TV roles in the Doctor Who episode "Daleks in Manhattan"? | Andrew GARFIELD |
| 2a | Founding member Peter Green left which band after suffering a psychotic breakdown after an acid trip and eventual schizophrenia diagnosis? The band had their greatest commercial success, with albums like Tusk and Rumours, after he left. | FLEETWOOD MAC |
| 2b | Which deadly disease spread by tsetse flies evades the immune system through its capacity to make about 1,000 different surface glycoproteins? This allows it to avoid being targeted by antibodies. | African SLEEPING SICKNESS or AFRICAN TRYPANOSOMIASIS (prompt on "trypanosomiasis" alone, as Chagas Disease is American trypanosomiasis) |
| 3a | In music theory, what term names a triad where the interval between the root and the third and the interval between the third and the fifth are both minor thirds? C, E-flat, and G-flat would make up a triad of this type. | DIMINISHED |
| 3b | Which 1835 treaty, negotiated between the United States and a small splinter group of Cherokee Nation members, traded all of the Cherokees' ancestral lands to the United States in exchange for money and land in present-day Oklahoma, and would eventually form the basis for the Trail of Tears expulsion? | Treaty of NEW ECHOTA |
| 4a | The pelota used in which predominently Latin American racket sport is considered the fastest projectile in any sport, with speeds of nearly 200 miles per hour? Players hook the basket-shaped racket, known as a cesta or xistera [pron. "she-stair-uh"], to their right hands as they play. | JAI ALAI [prompt on "pelota", as that word is included in the question] |
| 4b | Famed advertising executive Leo Burnett created which massive cartoon mascot to help sell the Minnesota Valley Canning Company's peas in 1928? | JOLLY GREEN GIANT (prompt on |

## Round 2

| 1a | Which American swimmer, a freestyle specialist with 21 World Championship gold medals who is particularly dominant in longdistance races, was voted America's Best Female Athlete at the 2022 ESPY Awards? | Katie LEDECKY |
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| 1b | Which senior Senator from Washington took over from the retiring Patrick Leahy as head of the Senate Appropriations Committee in 2023? | Patty MURRAY |
| 2a | The massive mixed-media installation Throne of the Third Heaven of the Nations' Millennium General Assembly takes up much of a room at the Smithsonian American Art Museum. It was created by which artist, who worked as a janitor for most of his career and who constructed this work over a period of about fifteen years in a rented garage, where it was discovered after his 1964 death? | James HAMPTON |
| 2b | What phase of a legal proceeding involves the exchange of information between the parties? This may include production of documents, physical examinations, or interrogatories, in which one party may ask the other to answer written questions. | DISCOVERY |
| 3a | Calling to mind the name of a cereal, what is the collective name of Ed Sheeran's fanbase? | SHEERIOs |
| 3b | According to a classic Sesame Street song, what inanimate companion makes bathtime lots of fun? | $\frac{\text { RUBBER DUCKIE }}{}$ (accept Rubber |
| 4a | Most of the companies that had previously been headquartered there have long since moved out, but the name of which street in Washington, D.C., with a single-letter name is used as shorthand for the lobbying industry? | $\underline{K}$ Street |
| 4b | The string theory concept of supersymmetry posits related particles known as superpartners for each standard particle. The superpartners of fermions (like electrons and neutrinos) all begin with which letter? | $\underline{\mathbf{S}}$ (as in selectron and sneutrino) |

## Round 3

| 1a | Which music video, which won a MTV Video Music Award for Video of the Year in <br> the 1990s, takes much of its imagery from the 1902 Georges Méliès silent film $A$ <br> Voyage to the Moon? | "TONIGHT, TONIGHT" <br> (Smashing Pumpkins) |
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| 1b | What is the first stage in Elisabeth Kübler-Ross's model of the five stages of <br> mourning terminal illness diagnosis? In this phase, patients and families doubt the <br> diagnosis and search for reasons why it might be incorrect. | DENIAL (do not accept <br> synonyms) |
| 2a | Guam is the largest island in which archipelago? The Northern part of the <br> archipelago is an American unincorporated territory with its capital on the island of <br> Saipan. | MARIANA Islands (or <br> MARIANAS) |
| 2b | What word is paired with "Ashes" in the title of a 1982 Haile Gerima film about a <br> struggling African-American Vietnam veteran? | EMBERS |
| 3a | In 2022, Sandy Alcantara became the third Dominican-born pitcher to win a Cy <br> Young. Who was the first? He is one of only five pitchers to have won Cy Youngs <br> in both leagues, his first one being with the Montreal Expos in 1997. | Pedro MARTINEZ |
| 3b | The name of which country is a valid word in Scrabble, as it can also name a type <br> of black enamel varnish or enamelwares made with that substance? | JAPAN |
| 4a | One of Aesop's fables tells of which animal who dresses up in sheep's clothing, <br> only to be slaughtered by the shepherd? | wOLF |
| 4b | A powerful US event in the boardgame Twilight Struggle centers around which <br> historic economic intervention, named for a Secretary of State, that provided <br> financial support to rebuild Western Europe after World War II? | MARSHALL Plan |

## Round 4

| 1a | Stephen King has stated in interviews that he was so high on cocaine <br> during the writing of which 1981 novel about a murderous St. Bernard <br> that he barely remembers writing it at all? | cUJO |
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| 1b | Typically occurring between the ages of one and three, which <br> traditional Hindu ceremony is the shaving of a child's first hair? | MUNDAN |
| 2a | In which series of simulation games do you play as El Presidente, the <br> leader of a dubiously democratic Caribbean island nation? | TROPICO |
| 2b | Halley's Comet is depicted in which 11th century fiber arts work <br> depicting the Norman Conquest of England? The artwork depicts <br> Harold II being told of the comet, which was considered a harbinger of <br> disaster. | BAYEUX Tapestry |
| 3a | Starting from about 2800 BC, the ancient Egyptians used to resolve <br> contlicts through a sport called water jousting: using extremely sharp <br> sticks to knock each other out of papyrus boats and into which river <br> around which their society was built? | NILE River |
| 3b | Which simple hydrocarbon, emitted during the extraction and transport <br> of fossil fuels and by livestock, is considered one of the most important <br> greenhouse gases? | METHANE (or CH4) |
| 4a | "Just for Me" and "Boy's a Liar" are songs by which British musician, <br> whose real name was revealed to be Vicky Walker in 2022, and who <br> recorded her early music in her college dorm? | PINKPANTHERESS |
| 4b | After Gossip Girl ended its run in 2012, which of its stars has never <br> taken another acting role but has had seven \#1 hits on the Billboard <br> Mainstream Rock charts as the frontwoman for The Pretty Reckless? | Taylor MOMSEN |

HALFTIME - SWITCH SIDES!

## Round 5

| 1a | Which street in Washington, D.C., named for a U.S. state, is <br> nicknamed "Embassy Row," as a majority of the embassies in the <br> city are located there? | MASSACHUSETTS Avenue |
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| 1b | Rudy Perz, a copywriter for Leo Burnett's advertising agency, created <br> which cartoon character (formally named Poppin' Fresh) to sell baked <br> goods in 1962? This character is often poked in the stomach in ads. | PILLSBURY DOUGHBOY (prompt <br> on partial answer) |
| 2a | Which racket sport is played on an indoor court with hard rubber balls <br> that are marked with different colored dots to indicate the ball's <br> hardness? Unlike racquetball, in this sport the ceiling is out of <br> bounds. | SQUASH |
| 2b | Which junior Senator from Rhode Island took over from Bernie <br> Sanders as head of the Senate Budget Committee in 2023, as <br> Sanders switched to heading the Health Committee? | Sheldon WHITEHOUSE |
| 3a | Founding member Syd Barrett left which band after being ousted due <br> to heavy LSD usage, as well as what was more likely than not <br> schizophrenia? The band had their greatest commercial success, <br> with albums like The Dark Side of the Moon, after he left. | PINK FLOYD |
| 3b | Which actress, who had prominent roles in Never Let Me Go, An <br> Education, The Great Gatsby, and Promising Young Woman, had <br> one of her earliest roles in the Doctor Who episode "Blink"? | Carey MULLIGAN |
| 4a | The indie band The Vivian Girls took their name from an over 15,000 <br> page fantasy work called In the Realms of the Unreal. It was written <br> by which janitor and outsider artist, and only discovered after his <br> 1972 death? | Henry DARGER |
| 4b | The superpartners of bosons like the photon and the gluon all end <br> with which three letters? | -INO (as in photino and gluino) |

## Round 6

| 1a | In which series of action-adventure games do you play as Rico <br> Rodriguez, who works on the Agency's behalf to overthrow <br> dictatorships or private militaries in a variety of island nations? | JUST CAUSE |
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| 1b | After Gossip Girl ended, which of its stars released the independent <br> album Heartstrings in 2014, married actor Adam Brody, and starred <br> in the two-season ABC sitcom Single Parents? | Leighton MEESTER |
| 2a | The world championship for the sport of Poohsticks has taken place <br> since 1984 on which primary river that flows through London? | River THAMES |
| 2b | Which molecule, released as a byproduct of various soil <br> management practices including fertilizer application, is considered <br> one of the most important greenhouse gases? It is also historically <br> important as an anesthetic. | NITROUS oxide (N2O). Prompt on <br> "laughing gas". |
| 3a | Stephen King wrote Annie Wilkes, the psychotic nurse at the center <br> of which 1987 novel, as a personification of his cocaine addiction? <br> King described her as "my drug problem, and...my number-one fan." | MISERY |
| 3b | Which ceremony is a first birthday celebration for children in Korea? <br> As part of this ceremony, toddlers are presented with a tray full of <br> symbolic objects, with the one the child selects first predicting <br> aspects of the child's personality as they grow up. | DOLJANCHI. Accept DOL or <br> CHEOT DOL. Accept <br> the fortune-telling game mentioned <br> in the question. |
| 4a | Which musician created the official video for her song "MOOO!" in <br> her room, using old bedding from her childhood bedroom as an <br> impromptu green screen and eating a cheeseburger and milkshake <br> she'd ordered after finishing an Instagram Live? | DOJA CAT (Amala DLAMINI) |
| 4b | Although now believed to be a myth, Pope Callixtus III is said to have <br> done what to Halley's Comet in response to its 1456 appearance? If <br> Callixtus had done this deed, the comet would presumably have <br> been prohibited from receiving Holy Communion or Last Rites within <br> the Catholic Church. | EXCOMMUNICATION (accept any |

## Round 7

| 1a | Calling to mind the name of one of his albums, what is the collective <br> name of Bruno Mars's fanbase? They are not called doo-wops. | HOOLIGANs |
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| 1b | Which virus, the cause of infectious mononucleosis, evades the <br> immune system by hiding in B-cells? This virus can be reactivated long <br> after infection, and can lead to Burkitt's lymphoma in people with <br> certain types of immune system dysfunction. | EPSTEIN-BARR (HUMAN <br> HERPESVIRUS 4 4 or HHV4). Do <br> not accept or prompt on "herpes" <br> alone, as this virus is never <br> referred to in that way. |
| 2a | In music theory, what one-word name is given to the interval between <br> the lowest and highest notes of a diminished triad? It was historically <br> avoided by composers due to its dissonance. | TRITONE |
| 2b | According to a classic Sesame Street song, Oscar the Grouch loves <br> what thing: anything dirty or dingy or dusty? | TRASH |
| 3a | Oscar Niemeyer designed a massive international fair complex in <br> which country, intended to be a standing exhibition that would host <br> over two million visitors per year? The project, named for assassinated <br> statesman Rachid Karami, was halted in the mid-1970s due to the <br> country's civil war. | LEBANON |
| 3b | Which 1868 treaty officially recognized the Black Hills as the exclusive <br> territory of the Sioux and Arapaho nations? The United States ignored <br> the treaty after gold was discovered there, and while the Supreme <br> Court awarded the Sioux over \$100 million in reparations in 1980, the <br> Sioux rejected the payment based on the land's never having been for <br> sale. | Treaty of FORT LARAMIE |
| 4a | Which American alpine skier, the winningest woman of all time in <br> World Cup competition, was voted America's Best Female Athlete at <br> the 2023 ESPY Awards? | Mikaela SHIFFRIN |
| 4b | Which method of legal discovery involves obtaining testimony from <br> relevant parties under oath? Commonly, this is a recorded or <br> transcribed interview with opposing counsel asking questions and both <br> attorneys present. | DEPOSITION |

## Round 8

| 1a | One of Aesop's fables tells of which animal who defeats a much <br> quicker hare in a race by running slowly and steadily? | TORTOISE |
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Spare Questions

| 1 | What amateur scientist was portrayed by Jake Gyllenhaal in the film <br> October Sky? | Homer HICKAM |
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| 2 | October Road was an album by what folk-rocker, with its title track <br> sharing similarities with his other songs "Copperline" and "Walking <br> Man"? | James TAYLOR |
| 3 | What man who called himself the "straw that stirs the drink" was <br> nicknamed Mr. October for his many playoff home runs? | Reggie JACKSON |
| 4 | October is the national month for what most-popular delivery food in <br> America, partially chosen to coincide with Italian-American Heritage <br> and Culture Month? | PIZZA |

