

ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE

Questions set by OQL USA Setting Team For use in matches for OQL-USA beginning November 7, 2023

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| 1a | "Thanks for the Memory" was the signature tune for what American comedian and entertainer, who famously headlined USO shows for fifty years? | Bob <u>HOPE</u> (acc. Leslie Townes Bob Hope). |
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| 1b | Though ivory is not among them, chief exports of the Ivory Coast include cocoa and what natural polymer that can be improved through vulcanization? | RUBBER |
| 2a | The vast majority of English language poetry is written in a style that features lines that don't rhyme but that do stick to a regular meter. What is the name of this <i>tabula rasa</i> of the poetry world? | BLANK VERSE |
| 2b | Which co-host of Spotify's popular podcast <i>Call Her Daddy</i> left the show in 2020 after a public falling-out with Barstool founder Dave Portnoy? | Sofia FRANKLYN |
| 3a | Activists in the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women movement use what as article of clothing as a symbol of protest, as first used by Canadian artist Jaime Black in 2010 art installation? Include the color of the item in your answer. | RED DRESS |
| 3b | Fedor Holz, Justin Bonomo, and Doug Polk are former winners of the "Big One for One Drop," a prestigious competition in what activity? | POKER / acc. Texas HOLDEM / prompt "cards" or similar |
| 4a | What German scientist lends his name to the size of the event horizon of a non-rotating black hole? Appropriately, his name in German means "black sign." | Karl SCHWARZSCHILD |
| 4b | What reality dating series, which originated in the UK but has a US spinoff, in which a group of contestants are sent to the title secluded location and must pair up as couples, as friends, or for survival? | LOVE ISLAND |

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| 1a | What is the name of the Civil Rights organization founded by Ella Baker in 1960 which grew out of her work with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference? You may give the 4-letter acronym which is usually said as a word that sounds like onomatopoeia. | SNCC (pronounced snick) or STUDENT NONVIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE (National is acceptable for nonviolent) | | |
| 1b | "On the River Wear they used to build the boats" is the opening lyric of "Shipyards," best known as the theme song to what soccer documentary? This show airs on Netflix and chronicles the travails of the title club just south of Newcastle. Full title required. | SUNDERLAND TIL I DIE | | |
| 2a | Loss aversion - that "loss causes more perceived pain than gain causes pleasure" - is a central observation of what behavioral economic theory championed by Amos Tversky and Daniel Kahneman? The name originally referred to the predictable results of a lottery. | PROSPECT Theory | | |
| 2b | What substance fell on people who said the phrase "I don't know" on the Nickelodeon show <i>You Can't Do That on Television</i> ? The substance became an enduring symbol of the network. | Green SLIME (accept GAK or linguistic equivalents such as UK's "gunge") | | |
| 3a | The first unsigned artist to have a number one single on the Billboard Hot 100 was what singer, whose charting song "Stay (I Missed You)" was featured in the 1994 film <i>Reality Bites</i> ? | Lisa <u>LOEB</u> | | |
| 3b | In 2019, the multinational food conglomerate Ferrero acquired Kelsen Group from Campbell's Soup Company, obtaining what brand of cookies sold in a distinctive round blue tin? You may remember childhood disappointment of finding sewing supplies instead of cookies inside. | ROYAL DANSK | | |
| 4a | In 1991, Piero Cannata was arrested by the Italian authorities for taking a hammer to one of the toes of which large masterwork by Michelangelo? | <u>DAVID</u> | | |
| 4b | A bridge over the Harlem River into Washington Heights and Morris Heights; the county where Cincinnati is located; a museum in Charlestown, Nevis; and the humanities classroom building at Columbia—where he went on scholarship when it was called King's College—are all named in honor of what founding father? | Alexander HAMILTON | | |

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| 1a | What bird named after its three-syllable song is associated with a legend that it catches departing souls as they flee the body? | WHIP-POOR-WILL (accept "whippowill" or similar) | | |
| 1b | What two films set mainly in the ocean each grossed more than 100 million dollars in 1995? One saw Denzel Washington usurp command from Gene Hackman; the other saw Dennis Hopper's baddie die in a jetski collision. | CRIMSON TIDE and WATERWORLD | | |
| 2a | What 17th and 18th century English polymath is the inspiration for the flavor name of Otter Pop popsicle brand's lime flavor, which is funny since the fruit he's most associated with is apples? | Isaac <u>NEWTON</u> (Sir Isaac Lime is the flavor) | | |
| 2b | What was the best-known nickname of the immense defensive tackle William Perry, who remains the heaviest person to score a touchdown in a Super Bowl in his role as sometime-fullback on the 1985 Bears? He also appeared as a G.I. Joe action figure. | REFRIGERATOR / FRIDGE | | |
| 3a | "The notes blatted skyward as the sun rose over the Canada geese, feathered rumps mooning the day, webbed appendages frantically peddling unseen bicycles in their search for sustenance, driven by Nature's maxim, 'Ya wanna eat, ya gotta work,' and at last I knew Pittsburgh." This was a winning entrant in a contest to write the worst opening line in fiction, named after what English author? | Edward BULWER-LYTTON | | |
| 3b | Over a sixth of the small population of what country lives on the island of Efate? | <u>VANUATU</u> | | |
| 4a | Ice Cube's "It Was a Good Day" (likely to have taken place on January 20, 1992) notably samples what 1977 track by the Isley Brothers? | FOOTSTEPS IN THE DARK | | |
| 4b | Spelled differently than the chocolatey coffee drink of the same name, what is the term for the device used in Europe (and especially Italy) to brew coffee by passing boiling water pressurized by steam through the grounds? | MOKA pot | | |

| 1a | Chita Rivera's performance was the only thing universally acclaimed about which 1981 Broadway sequel that closed after just four performances? Rivera reprised her role as Rosie Alvarez, the main character's secretary, for this production. | BRING BACK BIRDIE |
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| 1b | Literally meaning "flower of milk" (but, more accurately, "milk cream"), fior di latte is a cheaper variety of mozzarella because it is made with cow's milk instead of, like authentic mozzarella, the milk of which animal? | Water BUFFALO |
| 2a | "Alouette, gentille alouette, alouette, je te plumerai" are the opening lines to a well-known Quebecois folk and children's song in which, per the lyrics, the singer threatens to pluck the feathers from what type of passerine bird? | LARK |
| 2b | What pyramid-shaped building by Renzo Piano is the tallest building in London, named for its appearance? | The SHARD |
| 3a | While usually described as "red/green" or "blue/yellow" based on what particular difficulties sufferers have, what impairment is genetically classified by what cones or opsins are affected? | COLORBLINDNESS |
| 3b | Lee Marvin won the Best Actor Oscar for playing the gunman hired by the title character in what 1965 western? | CAT BALLOU |
| 4a | What major figure of the Mexican Revolution drafted the land reform document, <i>Plan de Ayala</i> , which he fought for until his assassination in 1919? A 1952 biopic about him was nominated for 5 Oscars, including a win for Best Supporting Actor. | Emiliano ZAPATA |
| 4b | Also a computer input device less popular than the mouse, what spherical piece of hardware was a feature of the arcade games <i>Missile Command</i> and <i>Centipede</i> ? | TRACKBALL |

HALFTIME - SWITCH SIDES!

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| 1a | "It was a dark and stormy night" is the famed opening of Bulwer- Lytton's novel <i>Paul Clifford</i> and also what much better 1962 novel that opens on Meg Murry in her attic? | A <u>WRINKLE IN TIME</u> |
| 1b | What two films set mainly on airplanes each grossed more than 100 million dollars in 1997? One saw a bunny get put back in the box; the other saw the baddie strangled by a parachute and sent out the cargo hatch. | CON AIR and AIR FORCE ONE |
| 2a | What revered general of the Mexican Revolution took on his well-known name while making a living as a bandit in the Mexican countryside? Wallace Beery starred as him in the 1934 Oscar nominated film titled "Viva [blank]." | Pancho <u>VILLA</u> (accept José Doroteo Arango <u>ARAMBULA</u>) |
| 2b | Over one third of the small population of what country lives on the island of Pohnpei? | Federated States of MICRONESIA |
| За | A common symptom of COVID-19, especially during early strains, "anosmia" is the loss of what sense? | SMELL |
| 3b | Though not commonly used as a computer input device, what handheld peripheral was a feature of the arcade games House of the Dead, Operation Wolf, and the NES game Duck Hunt? | Light GUN |
| 4a | Dr. Dre's "Nuthin' but a 'G' Thang", released in 1992 though no specific date has been identified by internet sleuths, notably samples the 1975 track "I Want'a Do Something Freaky to You" by what artist? | Leon HAYWOOD |
| 4b | Which Italian cheese has been popular on TikTok and Instagram for its pleasant visual of cutting the outer skin open to see the stracciatella and cream inside spill over the rest of the dish? It gets its name from the Italian for "buttered". | <u>BURRATA</u> |

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| 1a | A group of activists calling themselves Indians of All Tribes occupied what island from 1969 to 1971? Though the occupation eventually ended, it is remembered as one of the most successful and long-lasting land reclamation protests. | <u>ALCATRAZ</u> | |
| 1b | Which internet personality, vlogger, and high fashion model is the host of Spotify's partnered podcast <i>Anything Goes</i> ? | Emma CHAMBERLAIN | |
| 2a | In 1972, Laszlo Toth shouted aloud that he was the resurrected Christ and took a hammer to the Virgin Mary's arm, nose, and one of her eyelids. As a result, he was hospitalized in Italy for two years for attacking which masterwork by Michelangelo? | <u>PIETÀ</u> | |
| 2b | Nathan Aspinall, Peter Wright, and Dimitri Van den Bergh are former winners of the "World Matchplay," a prestigious competition in what activity? | <u>DARTS</u> | |
| 3a | The second unsigned artist to have a number one single on the Hot 100 was what singer, whose 2012 charting song celebrated the bargains to be found in secondhand clothing? | MACKLEMORE (& Ryan Lewis) | |
| 3b | A suspension bridge connecting Pennsylvania to Camden, New Jersey; the county where Columbus, Ohio is located; and a planner system based on his autobiography are all named in honor of what founding father? | Benjamin FRANKLIN | |
| 4a | The maximum mass of a stable white dwarf star is named for what Indian American theoretical physicist and Nobel laureate? | Subrahmanyan CHANDRASEKHAR | |
| 4b | What "super sloppy" game show, a staple of 80s Nickelodeon programming, saw Marc Summers as host directing contestants through an obstacle course? If you don't accept the title wager on questions in the early rounds, you have to take the "physical challenge." | DOUBLE DARE | |

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| 1a | What bird coming in black-capped and Carolina species is named for its three-syllable alarm call? | CHICKADEE | | |
| 1b | Celebrity Boxing once featured a match between Refrigerator Perry and what tallest-ever NBA player? The son of a Dinka elder, he still ranks second in NBA history in blocks per game. | Manute BOL | | |
| 2a | "When I was a girl, I had a favorite story, of the meadowlark who lived where the rivers wind" are the opening lines to a song sung by Geneviève at the end of Act 1 in what musical? As the titular character, she sings this while deciding if she will run off with her beautiful young suitor Dominique. | The BAKER'S WIFE | | |
| 2b | Jacques-Victor Delforge and Henri-Otto Mayer patented which coffee device which uses a plunger to make the coffee? | FRENCH PRESS | | |
| 3a | The grape flavor of Otter Pop brand popsicles is named after what Greek/Macedonian warrior and king? It's somewhat ironic considering that some accounts attribute his death in 323 BCE to tainted wine. | ALEXANDER THE GREAT (Alexander the Grape is the flavor) | | |
| 3b | In what 1970 western does Shirley MacLaine play the title nun who is saved from bandits by Clint Eastwood's character? | TWO MULES FOR SISTER SARA | | |
| 4a | Mary Tyler Moore and Richard Chamberlain were set to star in a 1966 Broadway adaptation of which classic film from earlier that decade (itself based on a novella from the 1950s)? One of Broadway's biggest flops, this production closed after only four previews at a total financial loss. | BREAKFAST AT TIFFANY'S | | |
| 4b | What is the nickname of the building at 30 St. Mary Axe in London, named because of its resemblance to a vegetable? | The GHERKIN | | |

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| 1a | "On the Good Ship Lollipop" was the signature tune for what American actress, singer, and future ambassador to Czechoslovakia? | Shirley <u>TEMPLE</u> Black | | |
| 1b | Ghana's chief exports include petroleum and what other natural resource, which once gave its name to the area? The leading exporter of this commodity is Switzerland, whose banks also include many objects made of this looted by Nazis. | GOLD | | |
| 2a | An opponent of rational choice theory like Kahneman and Tversky, what French author wrote <i>Distinction: A Social Critique of the Judgment of Taste</i> as an exploration of cultural capital? | Pierre BOURDIEU [bord-YOO] | | |
| 2b | What Netflix reality dating series hosted by Vanessa and Nick Lachey sees men and women in isolation booths? They only see each other if and when one of them accepts a marriage proposal from the other. | LOVE IS BLIND | | |
| 3a | What word, which could be used to describe literary characters like Robin Hood or the Three Musketeers, is the name given to a poetic couplet made of rhyming lines of iambic pentameter? | HEROIC | | |
| 3b | In 2019, the multinational food conglomerate Ferrero acquired various cookie brands from Kellogg's, such as Keebler and what other cookie brand with a rhyming name, founded by a talent agent, and originally sold in distinctive round metal tins? | FAMOUS AMOS | | |
| 4a | What is the name of the Civil Rights organization founded in Chicago in the 1940s that aimed to use non-violent protest to affect change? You may give the 4-letter acronym. | CORE (or CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUITY) | | |
| 4b | "Take Us Home" is a documentary which aired on Amazon Prime following the promotion hopes of what team which won their way into the English Premier League at the end of Season 2 in 2020? | LEEDS United F. C. | | |

Spare Questions

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| 1 | Reese Witherspoon played what memorable character in the 1999 | |
| | indie comedy Election? | TRACY FLICK (accept either) |
| 2 | The notion of "the elect" is an important theological position in the work | |
| | of what French reformer whose ideas took root in Reformed churches | John CALVIN |
| | such as the Presbyterian denomination? | |
| 3 | A major race in the 2023 election is the Kentucky gubernatorial | |
| | contest, in which what relatively popular Democrat is the defending | Andy BESHEAR |
| | incumbent? | |
| 4 | VoteForTheWorst.com was a chaos-creating website originally | |
| | designed to advance contestants on what show? | AMERICAN IDOL |