

## ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE

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## Round 1

| 1a | What is the largest river in Myanmar? Its namesake delta is one of the world's most important rice regions and it gives its name to a species of blunt-nosed dolphins native to the area. | IRRAWADDY |
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| 1b | Which fruit high in potassium and known for its curved shape and yellow peel is surprisingly radioactive? An informal unit of measurement called a BED is named for this surprising fact. | BANANA |
| 2a | The Colorado Avalanche relocated to Denver in 1995, moving from what province-named city where they were known as the Nordiques? The Nordiques were this city's only Big 4 sports franchise in the modern era. | QUEBEC City |
| 2b | Which band was formed in 1999 by brothers Caleb, Nathan, and Jared Followill, with their cousin Matthew? The band received their highest chart success after their release of Only by the Night in 2008. | KINGS OF LEON |
| 3a | Which word had been around in the Russian language for hundreds of years but didn't take off popularly until Mikhail Gorbachev's campaigning for transparency and openness came about in the 1980s? In 1965, a spontaneous rally around two writers accused of anti-Soviet agitation also bore this name. | GLASNOST |
| 3b | The New York Times' irreverent Styles-Ish Awards for 2023 included two inanimate objects. One of them was a 417 -foot-long, 3 -masted schooner with a figurehead that looks suspiciously like the owner's fiancée, Lauren Sanchez. Who is the owner of the yacht? | Jeff BEZOS |
| 4a | What cartoonist and 65 -year contributor to Mad Magazine created the satirical Fold-In in response to elaborate magazine fold-outs? He was inducted into the Will Eisner Hall of Fame and recently passed in 2023. | Al JAFFEE |
| 4b | What 2010 Studio Ghibli animated film is based on the book The Borrowers by Mary Norton? It moves the setting of the book from a home in England to one in Japan. | ARRIETTY (acc. ARRIETTY THE BORROWER or The SECRET WORLD OF ARRIETTY) |

## Round 2

| 1a | Which video game series by Nintendo has featured the Great Fairies in <br> most of its entries? These large fairies frequently bestow upgrades to <br> the series' main protagonist, most recently, upgrades to armor and <br> enchanted clothing. | The Legend of ZELDA |
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| 1b | Director Gordon Parks was a prominent Life magazine photographer <br> taking many iconic images of the 1950s through 70s, but is also known <br> for directing what influential 1971 film? | SHAFT |
| 2a | What is the name of a memorial arch, south of Ouidah, Benin, made of <br> concrete and bronze that is dedicated to victims of the transatlantic <br> slave trade? | DOOR OF NO RETURN |
| 2b | Produced by the Heide Company since 1920, what common movie <br> theater candy is a chewy gumdrop named after a fruit in the genus <br> Ziziphus even though it contains none of that fruit? | JUJUBES or JUJYFRUIT |
| 3a | What alliterative name is given to the unknown author of Sir Gawain <br> and the Green Knight, a 14th century Middle English chivalric <br> romance? They also are thought to be the author of the narrative <br> poems Cleanness, Patience, and a third that gives them their name. | PEARL POET |
| 3b | Franz Liszt's Piano Concerto No. 1 is sometimes teasingly called the <br> concerto for what percussion instrument, which is heavily used in it? <br> This instrument also has a literal concerto by Mike Hannickel. | TRIANGLE |
| 4a | In 2001, Fernando de la Rua resigned during a declared state of <br> emergency as president of what southern South American country, <br> amid strikes and riots over the economy? Successors would have <br> short tenures until Nestor and Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner led the <br> country successively from 2003 to 2015. | ARGENTINA |
| 4b | What Z word is the more official name given to the malar bone or <br> cheekbone in humans? This word's letters are worth a combined 26 <br> points in Scrabble. | ZYGOMATIC bone |


| 1a | In 2001, Chandra Levy was murdered in Washington, D.C.'s Rock Creek Park. Headlines and the police themselves focused on her possible affair with what California congressman, who was never identified as a suspect? | Gary CONDIT |
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| 1b | Celebrated on January $25^{\text {th }}$-the birthday of Scottish poet Robert Burns-a Burns Night Supper features haggis, of course, but might start with what soup, a chowder with smoked haddock and potatoes? The name comes from a Northeastern Scottish town and a local word for soup. | CULLEN SKINK |
| 2a | In 2012, author Sarah J. Maas released the fantasy debut novel "Throne of WHAT", that shares its name with the eight-book series it spawned, featuring teenage assassin Celaena Sardothien? | Throne of GLASS |
| 2b | What actor made history as the first Deaf person to win a Best Actress Academy Award for her 1986 performance in the film Children of a Lesser God? | Marlee MATLIN |
| 3a | Which European country that uses the franc as its currency has two cities in the 2023 Most Expensive City in the World list? The country is known for its neutral stance, the home of the International Red Cross, and cuckoo clocks. | SWITZERLAND |
| 3b | In math, it's a proven proposition used as a step in a larger proof. In linguistics, it's the term for the citation or dictionary definition form of a word. What name is shared by these two things? | LEMMA |
| 4a | Which player, who later admitted to juicing, became, in 1988, the first person to hit 40 home runs and steal 40 bases in a single season? That said, he'll always be remembered for an embarrassing moment as a Ranger in 1993 when Carlos Martinez hit a home run that wouldn't have gone over the fence had it not first bounced off this player's head. | Jose CANSECO |
| 4b | Which Columbian-born singer headlined with Jennifer Lopez at Super Bowl 54, the most watched half-time show on YouTube? She released her first English language album Laundry Service in 2001 and in 2023 released a diss track aimed at her ex-partner Gerard Piqué. | SHAKIRA (Accept MEBARAK RIPOLL) |


| 1a | What painting by Grant Wood, possibly the most recognizable of 20th century US art, depicts a man with a pitchfork standing next to his daughter outside their home? | AMERICAN GOTHIC |
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| 1b | NBA player Jimmy Butler debuted his straightened hair on Media Day in October 2023. His look was compared to which singer's hair in the 2003 music video for Hey Ya, who also released a flute album in 2023? | ANDRE 3000 (Accept André Lauren BENJAMIN) |
| 2a | Which plateau just beyond Quebec saw the French army suffer a decisive defeat in 1759, effectively losing much of New France to Great Britain in the process? | The PLAINS OF ABRAHAM |
| 2b | The first woman to earn a doctorate in mathematics, Sofya Kovalevskaya, worked significantly on "PDE"s. What three words do "PDE" stand for in calculus? | PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION |
| 3a | Which American skater landed the long-awaited quadruple axel at the Grand Prix Final in December 2023? His Instagram handle is "quadg0d" and he is the first skater to have landed all six styles of jumps as quads in competition. | Ilia MALININ |
| 3b | Some people wait a lifetime, but what singer has had many great moments like this: winning 7 Daytime Emmys for her eponymous talk show, 3 Grammys, 2 Country Music Awards, and the very first American Idol crown? | Kelly CLARKSON |
| 4a | Which island nation uses the tourism tagline "The Spice of The Caribbean" due to its production of nutmeg and mace? Maurice Bishop's communist-leaning New Jewel regime was the subject of intervention here in the 1980s. | GRENADA |
| 4b | What is the appropriately legalistic name of the creator and host of the true crime podcast Criminal and the love-centric This Is Love? | Phoebe JUDGE |

HALFTIME - SWITCH SIDES!

## Round 5

| 1a | In the year 2000, Alberto Fujimori attempted to resign as the <br> president of which coastal, Andean country, but was refused by <br> Congress so they could remove him instead? Pedro Pablo Kuczynski <br> tried to pardon him before the Supreme Court overturned it. | PERU |
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| 1b | What is the name of the bone of the human skull that makes up most <br> of the upper jaw and, unlike its lower counterpart, is a fixed bone? | MAXILLA |
| 2a | Haitian-American architect Rodney Leon designed the United <br> Nations Slavery Memorial which has what official name? It is <br> organized on the themes of "Acknowledge the Tragedy," "Consider <br> the Legacy," and "Lest We Forget." | ARK OF RETURN |
| 2b | The opening adagio movement of what Hector Berlioz work, inspired <br> by a Byron poem, contains a significant triangle part? | HAROLD IN ITALY (acc. HAROLD |
| 3a | Upgrades, goods, materials, and pretty much anything you could <br> want to buy and make your island better can be purchased through <br> all-time capitalist menace Tom Nook in which video game series? | ANIMAL CROSSING |
| 3b | Who directed the classic 1971 Blaxploitation film, Sweet Sweetback's <br> Badasssss Song? His son later directed, while playing him, a 2003 <br> film about the making of the movie called Badasssss! | Melvin VAN PEEBLES |
| 4a | What is the alliterative title of William Langland's 14th century Middle <br> English allegorical poem? In it, the narrator Will has a series of <br> dreams that explore the nature of Christianity and its role in the <br> common person's life. | PIERS PLOWMAN |
| 4b | Two brands of bright red ropey movie candy are both referred to <br> generically by the common name for the root of Glycyrrhiza glabra <br> even though neither contains it. Name either brand. | RED VINES or TWIZZLERS |

## Round 6

| 1a | Which man led the National League in batting average in 1980 and <br> was an All Star the following year for the Cubs? However, it's a <br> fateful error he made with the Red Sox for which he will always best <br> be remembered. | Bill BUCKNER |
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| 1b | To round out your Burns Supper, you might serve what dessert that <br> looks a bit like a haggis: a suet and fruit steamed pudding wrapped in <br> a cloth from which it gets its name? | CLOOTIE Dumpling |
| 2a | In 2015, author Sarah J. Maas released the romantasy novel A Court <br> of Thorns and WHAT, that shares its name with the five-book series it <br> spawned, featuring teenage Feyre Archeron and her involvement in <br> the faerie lands of Prythian? | A Court of Thorns and ROSES |
| 2b | Troy Kotsur made history as the first Deaf person to win a Best <br> Supporting Actor Academy Award for his 2021 performance in what <br> film? | CODA |
| 3a | Donna Rice, now a conservative anti-pornography advocate, has <br> literally never been confirmed to have had a fateful 1987 affair with <br> what candidate in the Democratic primary? | Gary HART |
| 3b | Which Barbados-born singer's half time show is the most watched <br> half time show, taking place at Super Bowl 57? She had previously <br> featured on Shakira's 2014 song "Can't Remember to Forget You." | RIHANNA (Accept FENTY) |
| 4a | Which Asian island nation and city state was named the Most <br> Expensive City in 2023, tied with Zurich? An independent sovereign <br> nation since 1965, it has four official languages; English, Malay, <br> Mandarin and Tamil. | SINGAPORE |
| 4b | What term is given to both the stalk that connects a leaf to its stem <br> and, when it comes to insects, the narrow waist some ants, bees, <br> and wasps have? | PETIOLE |

## Round 7

| 1a | Which island nation, the only one in the world named after a real woman, uses the tourism tagline "Let her inspire you"? The island is part of the Lesser Antilles. | SAINT LUCIA |
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| 1b | Hooray! Who became an EGOT winner in 2002 when she won a Daytime Emmy as co-host of The View? She added that hardware to her 1991 Best Supporting Actress Oscar, a 1986 Grammy for a standup comedy album, and a 2002 Tony for producing Thoroughly Modern Millie? | Whoopi GOLDBERG |
| 2a | Both the French and British commanding officers famously met their end at the 1759 Battle of the Plains of Abraham. Name either. | Louis-Joseph de MONTCALM or James WOLFE |
| 2b | What is the oddly mythological-sounding name of the creator and host of the podcast " $99 \%$ Invisible" which investigates the design of everyday objects? | Roman MARS |
| 32 | What painting by Emanuel Leutze, possibly the most recognizable of 19th century American art, depicts a Revolutionary War general standing among other men on a boat on a river in December 1776? | WASHINGTON CROSSING THE DELAWARE |
| 3b | Euler, Lagrange, and Kovalevskaya all have what sort of theoretical rotating object named for them, because they created theoretical examples that can be integrated? These are examples of a simple type of rotating object under the influence of gravity. | TOP |
| 4a | Which American skater was referred to as the "Quad King" and was the first to land a quadruple salchow jump in competition? He won bronze in men's singles at the 2002 Olympics, | Tim GOEBEL |
| 4b | Which other singer was Jimmy Butler's straightened hair look compared to in a 1999 music video for the single "It's Not Right but It's Okay"? This singer passed away in 2012 at the Beverly Hilton. | Whitney HOUSTON |

## Round 8

| 1a | What Spanish cartoonist, a 57-year contributor to Mad magazine, also created the comic book Groo the Wanderer? In an early Marvel Star Wars comic, he was "honored" with a character named Serji-X Arrogantus. | Sergio ARAGONÉS |
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| 1b | Which band formed in 1996 by Josh Homme? Their second studio album Rated $R$ featured their breakout single "The Lost Art of Keeping a Secret" and their 2013 album ...Like Clockwork was their first number one album in the US. | QUEENS OF THE STONE AGE |
| 2a | Colorado was on the short end of the relocation stick when, in 1982, their NHL team moved to New Jersey to become the Devils. Before that relocation, the team had what name, the same name as another professional Denver-based team that uses sticks to hit small round objects for sport. | Colorado ROCKIES |
| 2b | Which nut, named after a South American country, has a surprisingly large amount of radioactivity, largely thanks to the barium found in them? | BRAZIL nut |
| 3 a | Which river forms the world's largest delta with the Ganges in Bangladesh? It is prone to disastrous flooding in the spring when the Himalayan snow melts. | BRAHMAPUTRA (Accept TSANGPO or JAMUNA) |
| 3 b | Another non-human winner of the New York Times Style-Ish Awards 2023 was what 18,600 seat venue in Las Vegas that features the largest and highest resolution wraparound screen in the world and 1.2 million small LED screens on the outside? | The SPHERE |
| 4a | Mikhail Gorbachev spoke unfavorably about the "Era of Stagnation," a time under three Soviet leaders when he saw little improvement in the country's economic and social policies. Name any of the three leaders that Gorbachev thus questioned. | Leonid BREZHNEV, Yuri ANDROPOV, or Konstantin CHERNENKO |
| 4b | What 1994 Studio Ghibli animated film tells the story of a group of magical raccoon dogs who fight back against human developers trying to take their land by utilizing their magical, shape-shifting scrotal sacs? | POM POKO |

Spare Questions

| 1 | What goalie for the US Women's National Team played every minute <br> of the 1999 World Cup and made a save against China in the famous <br> final shootout? | Briana SCURRY |
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| 2 | Joseph Simmons is better known by what rap moniker, which made up <br> half of the name of his well-known duo? | Reverend RUN |
| 3 | For canvas, it's 39 yards; for other materials it can be 40 or 100 yards. <br> What unit for measuring amounts of 2-dimensional material is this? | BOLT |
| 4 | What telecom company, a major network operator headquartered in <br> Overland Park, Kansas, was acquired finally by T-Mobile in 2020? | SPRINT |

