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Round 1

| 1a | Which series of sports games with a coach's name from EA has <br> featured cover athletes such as Richard Sherman, Patrick Mahomes, <br> and Tom Brady? | MADDEN NFL or John Madden <br> Football |
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| 1b | What carnivorous plants in the genus Dionaea (dee-oh-NY-ah) <br> sense prey using trigger hairs, which cause a jaw-like structure to snap <br> shut? | VENUS FLYTRAPs (or DIONAEA <br> MUSCIPULA) |
| 2a | Which fictional hero is mentioned in the title of an experimental Laurie <br> Anderson song that unexpectedly became a \#2 hit in the UK in 1981? <br> The song's lyrics continue "O Judge, O Mom and Dad" after singing <br> this figure's name. | O SUPERMAN |
| 2b | The 2022 novel "The Guest" is about a 22-year-old escort who gets <br> kicked out of a party by the much older man she's staying with. She <br> then adopts false identities in an attempt to regain access to high <br> society. It is the second book by what American author who also <br> wrote 2016's "The Girls"? | Emma CLINE |
| 3a | A classic tip for making tomato sauce is to add what herb from a laurel <br> plant? Be careful to remove it before blending or serving though; it's <br> not edible! | BAY LEAF (prompt on "bay" alone) |
| 3b | Which first NASA space station was launched into orbit in May <br> 1973? It was occupied for about 24 weeks over three missions by <br> astronauts carrying out experiments there, then abandoned. It re- <br> entered the earth's atmosphere in July 1979 due to a decaying orbit. | SKYLAB |
| 4a | What occupation appears in the English titles of the 1997 debut film <br> from Jia Zhangke (zhe-ah zhang-kuh) and a 1959 Robert Bresson (ro- <br> BARE bress-OWN film? Bresson's includes scenes of Martin LSalle <br> as title character Michel practicing in a bar and at work with his crew in <br> a Paris train station. | PICKPOCKET |
| 4b | Opened in 2000, the Lótus Bridge is a 6-lane bridge that connects <br> China to the special autonomous region of Macau. The bridge's unique <br> looping design was created to solve what specific problem at the <br> border? | THEY DRIVE ON DIFFERENT |

## Round 2

| 1a | The fast-food chain known as Carl's Jr. on the West Coast is known by <br> what name in most of the Midwest and Southern U.S.? Since they <br> merged in 1997, these brands have gradually moved toward similar <br> menu offerings and visual branding. | HARDEE'S |
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| 1b | The Galápagos Islands are under the jurisdiction of what South <br> American country? | ECUADOR |
| 2a | After playing Artist Ken in "Barbie", Ncuti (shoo-ti) Gatwa debuted as <br> the fifteenth incarnation of the main character of what long-running <br> BBC sci-fi series? | DOCTOR WHO |
| 2b | The abolitionist Martin Delany was one the three African Americans <br> admitted to Harvard Medical School in 1850 before white students <br> protested and they were asked to leave. He had previously co- <br> published which newspaper with Frederick Douglass? | The NORTH STAR |
| 3a | Which wrestler won the 2018 Men's Royal Rumble? The King of <br> Strong Style, he got his start in New Japan Pro Wrestling and is known <br> stateside for his dynamic entrance accompanied by his iconic violin- <br> filled theme music. | Shinsuke NAKAMURA |
| 3b | What first name is shared by the title characters with the last name <br> Miller in a Henry James novella and one named Jones in a novel by <br> Taylor Jenkins Reid? | DAISY |
| 4a | Which 2000 Wheatus song about youthful yearning is commonly <br> misattributed to Weezer? In response to the ongoing confusion, <br> Weezer began covering the song during live shows in 2010. | "TEENAGE DIRTBAG" |
| 4b | In 1954, the Robbers Cave summer camp experiment was an early <br> attempt to study the development of conflict in intergroup relations. It <br> was run by a husband-and-wife team of psychologists with what <br> surname? | Muzafer and Carolyn Wood SHERIF |


| 1a | The 2024 CMT Awards saw which singer perform her song "Country's <br> Cool Again"? In the 2022 ceremony, she took home Album of the Year <br> for "Bell Bottom Country." | Lainey WILSON |
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| 1b | Described by the Institute of Contemporary Art as "one of the most <br> influential street artists of our time," which South Carolinian designed <br> the HOPE poster used by Obama's 2008 Presidential campaign? | Shepard FAIREY |
| 2a | In 2021, the MGM executive George Kliavkoff oversaw the sale of <br> which WNBA franchise to Mark Davis for an obscenely low \$2 <br> million? Just two years later, the Seattle Storm were valued at \$151 <br> million, and this team won the 2023 WNBA Finals. Team name <br> required. | Las Vegas ACES |
| 2b | Which German physicist played a major role in developing quantum <br> theory to explain phenomena that cannot be reconciled with classical <br> physics? His namesake constant, symbolized h, gives the relationship <br> between a photon's energy and its frequency. | Max PLANCK (accept PLANCK's <br> constant) |
| 3a | The first instance of a photorealistic CGI character in a feature film was <br> a stained-glass knight in a 1985 movie. The film starred Nicholas <br> Rowe as a "Young" version of what literary character who has been <br> a movie mainstay since the Silent era? | Young SHERLOCK HOLMES |
| 3b | Which grassland swamp on the Nile is one of the world's largest <br> wetlands? It has been difficult to transport construction materials to <br> Ramciel, the planned future capital of South Sudan, because it is near <br> this dense swamp. | SUDD (or al-SUDD or as-SUDD) |
| 4a | The first of the Biblical ten plagues of Egypt involved the waters of the <br> Nile being turned into what substance? | BLOOD |
| 4b | In the early morning of March 26, 2024, the cargo ship Dali lost control <br> and struck a support pier of the Francis Scott Key Bridge causing it to <br> collapse. This blocked the main port of what American city? | BALTIMORE, Maryland |


| 1a | Known for her role as Blair Warner on "The Facts of Life," which actor <br> finished runner-up when she appeared as a contestant on "Survivor: <br> Philippines" in 2012? First or last name acceptable. | LISA WHELCHEL (either name) |
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| 1b | Which Tamil kingdom, based in the north of modern-day Sri Lanka, <br> was a major economic and cultural power in the 14th century? It <br> shares its name with the large peninsula in northern Sri Lanka. | JAFFNA Kingdom or Kingdom of |
| 2a | Which type of ear piercing, created by Erik Dakota in the 1990s, <br> involves a straight barbell passing through either side of the upper ear <br> cartilage, requiring two piercings? In the UK, this piercing would also <br> be known as a scaffold piercing. | INDUSTRIAL |
| 2b | Over 800,000 "boat people" successfully fled what country between <br> 1975 and 1999? While the U.S. had airlifted refugees out in 1975, it <br> was slower to accept "boat people," many of whom spent years in <br> refugee camps in nearby countries. | VIETNAM |
| 3a | "Anguish and Triumph" is the subtitle of Jan Swafford's biography of <br> which classical composer? In it, the reader learns about tow he <br> composed some of his most famous works during his physical decline <br> and wrote love letters to his mysterious "Immortal Beloved". | Ludwig van BEETHOVEN |
| 3b | Also known as the twilight zone or grey line, what is the name for the <br> line on a planet or moon that separates night and day? On the moon, it <br> moves a little under ten miles per hour, enough to inevitably catch <br> anyone trying to outrun it. | TERMINATOR |
| 4a | In ice hockey, which minor offence can involve a player coming into <br> contact with the opposing goalie to impede the goalie's movement? <br> The referee signals this penalty by crossing their arms to form an X in <br> front of their chest. | Goalie INTERFERENCE |

HALFTIME - SWITCH SIDES!

## Round 5

| 1a | The erotically charged 2003 song "Stacy's Mom" is commonly <br> misattributed to Bowling for Soup, which is why they released a cover <br> version in 2011. What band wrote and initially recorded it? | FOUNTAINS OF WAYNE |
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| 1b | Martin Delany also published articles in which other abolitionist <br> newspaper founded by William Lloyd Garrison? Many early editions <br> of this paper covered reactions to David Walker's "Appeal." | The LIBERATOR |
| 2a | The ice cream brand known as Edy's in the Midwest and East is <br> known by what name in Texas and the West? It was cofounded in <br> Oakland by two men whose last names were Edy and the other <br> brand's name. | DREYER'S (Do not accept or |
| 2b | What is the married surname of the Daisy longed for by Jay Gatsby <br> in an F. Scott Fitzgerald novel? | BUCHANAN |
| 3a | After playing Basketball Ken in "Barbie", Kingsley Ben-Adir's next <br> movie role was playing what Jamaican musician in a biopic <br> subtitled "One Love"? | Bob MARLEY |
| 3b | Two psychologists were inspired by the 1964 murder of Kitty <br> Genovese to conduct experiments studying the bystander effect, <br> though further study suggests their findings do not hold in real <br> emergencies. Name either of these two psychologists. | John DARLEY or Bibb LATANÉ |
| 4a | Which wrestler won the inaugural 2018 Women's Royal Rumble? <br> She developed her trademark face paint as Kana in Japan and has <br> been a mainstay in WWE since she signed on in 2015. | ASUKA (Kanako URAI) |
| 4b | The Canary Islands off the coast of Africa are under the jurisdiction of <br> what European country? | SPAIN |

## Round 6

| 1a | Which type of ear piercing, co-created by Erik Dakota in the 1990s, <br> involves a captive bead ring passing through the ear's innermost <br> cartilage fold? Dakota was inspired by a Hebrew word for <br> "knowledge" to create its name. | DAITH |
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| 1b | Rene Magritte's "The Son of Man" is a painting of a man with what <br> object obscuring his face? | Green APPLE |
| 2a | "The Reign of Love" is the subtitle of Jan Swafford's biography of <br> which classical composer? In it, the reader learns about his <br> relationship with his sister Nannerl, who was also a musical prodigy, <br> and how Emperor Joseph II commissioned some of his most famous <br> works. | Wolfgang Amadeus MOZART |
| 2b | Which Sinhalese kingdom in southwestern Sri Lanka named after <br> its capital conquered the Jaffna kingdom and unified the island in the <br> 15th century? It flourished until the late 17th century, when it was <br> annexed into Sitawaka and Kandy under pressure from the <br> Portuguese Empire. | Kingdom of KOTTE (or KOTTAY |
| 3a | In ice hockey, which minor offence can involve a player forcefully <br> swinging their stick at an opposing player whether or not there is <br> contact? The referee signals this penalty by extending one arm and <br> performing a chopping motion with the other. | Rajadhaniya) |
| 3b | A 1995 policy known as "wet feet, dry feet" changed how the U.S. <br> handled "boat people" arriving from what country? Until the policy <br> ended in 2017, this meant that refugees who reached land could stay <br> in the U.S. but those found at sea were returned to their home nation. | CUBA |
| 4a | Known for writing "School of Rock" and other screenplays, which <br> Emmy winner finished runner-up when he appeared as a contestant <br> on "Survivor: David vs Goliath" in 2018? First or Last name <br> acceptable | SLASH |
| 4b | The sun's termination shock is the point at which what stream of <br> charged particles slows to subsonic speeds due top pressure from <br> the interstellar medium, forming the boundaries of the heliosphere? | SOLAR WINDs |

## Round 7

| 1a | Which series of sports games from EA has featured cover athletes such as Sam Kerr, Cristiano Ronaldo, and Lionel Messi? The governing body that gave its name to the longtime series ended its deal with EA, so the new franchise name starting with the 2023 launch is also acceptable. | FIFA or EA Sports FC |
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| 1b | What carnivorous plants, which can be found in various genera, use specialized leaves to trap and drown their prey in a hanging pouch filled with nectar? Their common name comes from their jug-like shape. | $\frac{\text { PITCHER plants (accept MONKEY }}{\text { CUPs) }}$ |
| 2a | What animal appears prominently in the poignant 2022 Jerzy Skolimowsky (YER-zee Sko-li-MOV-skee) film "EO" and one from Robert Bresson (ro-BARE bress-OWN) in 1966? In Bresson's film, which inspired "EO," the mistreated title creature is named Balthazar? | DONKEY |
| 2b | China's Yongle Bridge in Tianjin is the world's only bridge with what special feature? More than 800 people an hour travel over the bridge this way, though they don't cross the river. When it was built in 2007, only similar structures in London, Nanchang, and Singapore were bigger. | FERRIS WHEEL or OBSERVATION WHEEL |
| 3 a | A modern tip for making tomato sauce is to add umami with a funky fermented liquid characteristic of Vietnamese cooking. What is the two-word name (in English or Vietnamese) of this salty brown condiment? | FISH SAUCE (accept Vietnamese NUOC MAM (nook mom) pha or nhi) |
| 3b | Which Soviet space station was assembled in orbit between 1986 and 1996? It was occupied for 12 and a half years of its lifespan and re-entered the earth's atmosphere in March 2001 after being forcefully deorbited. | MIR |
| 4a | Which album references Superman in its song "The Man of Metropolis Steals Our Hearts"? Superman is pictured on the original cover art of this album, but not for the Broadway musical based on it that also includes "Casimir Pulaski Day". | ILLINOIS (by Sufjan Stevens) or Come On! Feel the ILLINOISE! |
| 4b | The 2020 Agatha Christie-esque mystery novel "The Guest List" is about a murder that happens during a wedding where each guest has a secret they want to protect at all costs. It is the fourth novel by what English author? | Lucy FOLEY |

Round 8

| 1a | Who was the first fully CGI character to star in the lead role of a <br> movie? Malachai Pearson provided his voice and Devon Sawa <br> portrayed him more corporeally late in his 1995 movie. | CASPER the Friendly Ghost |
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| 1b | Located in the Indian state of Manipur, which freshwater lake is the <br> largest in South Asia? It is a unique wetland ecosystem due to its <br> many floating islands known as phumdis. | LOKTAK Lake or LOKTAK Pat |
| 2a | Not finished with catastrophic sports business management, in 2023, <br> George Kliavkoff oversaw the dissolution of which Power Five <br> college football conference as its commissioner? At present, two <br> teams remain after a long and costly legal battle. | PAC-12 |
| 2b | As well as the Planck constant, Planck's study of black-body radiation <br> also yielded a constant he named for which Austrian physicist and <br> philosopher? The constant is symbolized k, and relates a gas's <br> thermodynamic temperature to the average thermal energy of its <br> particles. It is also used in the entropy formula named for this scientist. | Ludwig BOLTZMANN (accept |
| 3a | At the 2024 CMT Awards, which musician who was hosting <br> performed her 2015 debut single 'Love Me Like You Mean It'? At the <br> 2023 ceremony, she performed "If You Go Down (l'm Goin' Down <br> Too") from her album "Subject to Change" with four drag queens to <br> protest Tennessee's drag ban. | Kelsea BALLERINI |
| 3b | Described by The New Yorker as the graphic designer who "made <br> America cool again," Milton Glaser is best known for his 1976 design <br> of which iconic yet simple logo still used by his home state? | I HEART NEW YORK or I LOVE <br> NEW YORK or either with NY for <br> New York |
| 4a | The last of the Biblical ten plagues of Egypt involved the death of <br> which specific member of the family? Israelites were told to mark <br> their doors with lamb's blood in order to spare them from death. | FIRST-BORN or OLDEST child or |
| 4b | Pushed by strong winds on March 28, 2021, the cargo ship Ever Given <br> became wedged in what waterway, disrupting shipping traffic for six <br> days? | SUEZ Canal |

Spare Questions

| 1 | A young shepherd boy named Santiago travels to Egypt after dreaming <br> of finding treasure. This is the plot of what bestselling novel by the <br> Brazilian author Paulo Coelho (ko-EL-yo)? | THE ALCHEMIST or O <br> ALQUIMISTA |
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| 2 | Japanese soba noodles are made mostly out of flour from what plant? <br> Despite its name, this flour is gluten-free. | BUCKWHEAT |
| 3 | What Jewish Latvian immigrant to the U.S. became the first woman <br> (t bicycle around the world in 1895? She renamed herself after the <br> lithia water company that sponsored her trip, a name shared with the <br> longer official name of a Northern Irish city and county. | Annie Cohen Kopchovsky <br> LONDONDERRY |
| 4 | What tiny tubes on cave ceilings grow slowly as each single water <br> drop leaves mineral deposits that solidify? | SODA STRAWs |

