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Please remind players to keep hands visible on screen at all times during play. Players may not use any outside sources to acquire answers.

Pronunciation guides are in [square brackets.] Reader instructions are in (parentheses) and do not need to be read aloud.

Reader Guidance:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B_BWpd8yq_4RazhuyKi2Yu71knEIASuSRlgyY_6r59w/edit?usp=sharing

Round 1

1a	In 2024, which state made its councils of governments the official top-level statistical region, replacing counties? One of the councils of governments is the Capitol Planning Region, which is based around Hartford.	<u>CONNECTICUT</u>
1b	Appointed by George Washington, who served as the first-ever United States Secretary of War? He is perhaps better remembered for leading an expedition that dragged cannons from Fort Ticonderoga to Boston during the American Revolution.	Henry <u>KNOX</u>
2a	What alliterative term in basketball refers to a penalty called on a player who bounces the ball on the floor, holds it in their hands, and then proceeds to bounce it on the floor again?	<u>DOUBLE DRIBBLE</u>
2b	The first woman not named Curie to win the Nobel Prize in Chemistry was Dorothy Hodgkin in 1964. She worked primarily on crystallography utilizing what type of electromagnetic radiation to discover the structure of molecules?	<u>X-RAYs</u>
3a	Since 1997, the Ignatz Awards for comic books have been given out at the Small Press Expo con. The award is named for the brick-throwing mouse who antagonizes the title character of what George Herriman comic strip from the first half of the 1900s?	<u>KRAZY KAT</u>
3b	As of 2023, what is the default typeface in Microsoft Office products? A new Word or Excel document will automatically be set to this typeface's Narrow font.	<u>APTOS</u>
4a	Which jazz pianist , at one point a member of Miles Davis's band, is remembered for the recording of his improvisational live masterpiece "The Köln Concert"? After his time with Davis, he has only played acoustic instruments for both jazz and classical music.	Keith <u>JARRETT</u>
4b	One 21st-century movie to make the top 100 on the most recent Sight and Sound listing of Greatest Films of All Time list is which Oscar winner ? Its title speaks to the relationship between a wealthy family and the poorer family whose basement-dwelling members become their servants?	<u>PARASITE</u>

Round 2

1a	Which note of the standard solfege system was described as "a deer, a female deer" in a song from the musical "The Sound of Music"?	<u>DO</u> [doe]
1b	Beloved by bears, which fish has species including chinook and sockeye? This fish might be distressed to learn that its namesake color is a cooked pink, rather than the sleek dusky silver-blue of its scales.	<u>SALMON</u>
2a	The Kerguelen [kur-GAY-len] Islands, a group of subantarctic islands in the South Atlantic Ocean, are administered by what country ? They are named for the navigator who discovered them in the late 18th century but also are known as the Desolation Islands.	<u>FRANCE</u>
2b	At the 2022 World Cup, Lionel Messi performed a goal celebration in which his hands emulated the big ears of what mouse puppet from Italian TV, also popular in Latin America and Japan? This character frequently appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show, often telling Sullivan to "kiss me goodnight!"	<u>TOPO GIGIO</u> [JEE-joe]
3a	The 2024 PlayStation game Astro Bot features several cameos from other PlayStation titles. The main characters from which PlayStation franchise are referred to in Astro Bot as "Dependable Smuggler" and "Immune Survivor"?	The <u>LAST OF US</u>
3b	The Gelug [geh-LOOG], or "Yellow Hat," is the newest and predominant school in a type of Buddhism named for what region ? The Potala Palace in this region's capital of Lhasa has not served as a state residence since 1959, eight years after this region's annexation.	<u>TIBET</u>
4a	While the title of Coldplay's fourth album "Viva la Vida" is Spanish, its cover depicts the French flag carried by the title personification in "Liberty Leading the People" by what painter ?	Eugène <u>DELACROIX</u>
4b	A function formulated by John Lennard-Jones describes what quantity as it exists within intermolecular pairs? One formulation of this quantity expresses it in terms of an object's mass, the current gravity, and height above the reference point.	<u>POTENTIAL ENERGY</u>

Round 3

<p>1a</p>	<p>In 2017, which tennis player won her only singles Grand Slam title at the French Open? In 2018, this Latvian appeared in a commercial in which she played tennis against an airBaltic plane.</p>	<p>Jeļena "Aļona" <u>OSTAPENKO</u> [Ahs-tah-PANK-oh] (but be generous)</p>
<p>1b</p>	<p>Used in the clarification of some beer and wine, what form of collagen is obtained from the dried swim bladders of fish?</p>	<p><u>ISINGLASS</u></p>
<p>2a</p>	<p>Susan Stryker's essay "My Words to Victor Frankenstein above the Village of Chamounix" [sha-moo-NEE] is a foundational work within trans theory. The essay's title references a novel by which author?</p>	<p>Mary Wollstonecraft <u>SHELLEY</u></p>
<p>2b</p>	<p>Ayatollah Khomeini was exiled from what country in 1965 after opposing the "White Revolution" of the Shah?</p>	<p><u>IRAN</u></p>
<p>3a</p>	<p>Which guitarist popularized the technique of two-handed tapping with the guitar solo track "Eruption"?</p>	<p>Eddie <u>VAN HALEN</u></p>
<p>3b</p>	<p>Galina "Red" Reznikov, the head of the prison kitchen at the start of the series "Orange is the New Black", was played by what actor? She previously starred on a starship in the flagship show for UPN.</p>	<p>Kate <u>MULGREW</u></p>
<p>4a</p>	<p>The two major airports of what American city in the central time zone are named for Will Rogers and Wiley Post, a humorist and an aviator who died in the same 1935 plane crash?</p>	<p><u>OKLAHOMA CITY</u></p>
<p>4b</p>	<p>Pomeranian, Chihuahua, and Pug are all dog breeds listed under which group by the American Kennel Club? The Kennel Club describe breeds in this group as "affectionate, sociable and adaptable to a wide range of lifestyles."</p>	<p><u>TOY</u> dogs</p>

Round 4

1a	What author and feminist cultural theorist wrote about the strength and unease learned during her childhood in poverty and segregation in her memoir "Bone Black"? Several of her last books while she taught at Berea College in Kentucky focused on Black Americans' connections to a southern agrarian history.	bell <u>HOOKS</u>
1b	A long-delayed sequel released in September 2024 stars Winona Ryder and Catherine O'Hara with Michael Keaton as what title character ?	<u>BEETLEJUICE</u> Beetlejuice
2a	Which upbeat and cheerful Chappell [Chapel] Roan song ends its title with an exclamation mark? This song is inspired by cheerleader culture and repeatedly spells out its title.	<u>"HOT TO GO!"</u> or <u>"H-O-T-T-O-G-O!"</u>
2b	In September 2024, Taco Bell began offering a gelato flavored with what "Tropical Lime" Mountain Dew soda created for the restaurant?	<u>BAJA BLAST</u>
3a	In 1985, a hapless tourist mistakenly boarded a flight to New Zealand's most populous city, but intended to return home to a similarly named city 6,500 miles away on the U.S. West Coast. Name either destination.	<u>AUCKLAND</u> or <u>OAKLAND</u>
3b	The formula $\frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$ [(read slowly) "four thirds, times pi, times the radius cubed"] is used to calculate the volume of what three-dimensional object ?	<u>SPHERE</u>
4a	In the biathlon, rifle shooting is combined with the cross-country discipline of what sport ?	Nordic <u>SKIing</u>
4b	What Georgia city that served as the capital of the Cherokee Nation names the treaty that the U.S. Government used to remove the Cherokee via the Trail of Tears? The treaty was signed by a minority delegation and was viewed as fraudulent by a majority of the Nation.	<u>NEW ECHOTA</u>

HALF-TIME - SWITCH SIDES

Round 5

<p>1a</p>	<p>Bouvet [boo-VAY] Island, the world's most remote uninhabited island, is subantarctic volcanic island in the South Atlantic Ocean and is a dependency of what country? Named for the French navigator who first sighted it, it has been this other country's dependency since 1927 and a nature reserve since 1970.</p>	<p><u>NORWAY</u></p>
<p>1b</p>	<p>Although Border Collies, German Shepherds, and Corgis may not seem to have much in common, the American Kennel Club lists them in which group? This group split off from Working Dogs because the historical job that names it is based on what the AKC calls "an instinctual ability" that guides how they interact with other kinds of animals.</p>	<p><u>HERDING</u> dogs</p>
<p>2a</p>	<p>In the book "Culture and Imperialism", Edward Said [Sigh-EED] argued that the novel "Mansfield Park" demonstrates casual acceptance of slavery through Thomas Bertram's ownership of estates in Antigua. "Mansfield Park" is a novel by which author, who also wrote "Pride and Prejudice"?</p>	<p>Jane <u>AUSTEN</u></p>
<p>2b</p>	<p>During his exile, Ayatollah Khomeini initially took up residence in the holy city of Najaf in what country, which like Iran is majority-Shi'a? He lived there until Saddam Hussein deported him.</p>	<p><u>IRAQ</u></p>
<p>3a</p>	<p>The 2024 PlayStation game Astro Bot features several cameos from other PlayStation titles. The main characters from which PlayStation franchise are referred to in Astro Bot as "Dad of Boy" and "Boy"?</p>	<p><u>GOD OF WAR</u></p>
<p>3b</p>	<p>Fans of Mexico's national soccer team often wear costumes of what TV character and superhero parody created by Chespirito [Shay-spee-REE-toe], whose popularity in Latin America has inspired collabs with FIFA and Fortnite? This character's insect-inspired outfit includes a heart emblazoned with the letters "CH."</p>	<p>El <u>CHAPULÍN</u> Colorado (the red grasshopper)</p>
<p>4a</p>	<p>Van Halen claimed that he was inspired by seeing what guitarist's pull-off technique in the song "Heartbreaker"? This guitarist also performed the iconic riff in the song "Whole Lotta Love".</p>	<p>Jimmy <u>PAGE</u></p>
<p>4b</p>	<p>The potential energy of what object can be expressed as one-half times this object's namesake constant and the square of the deformation? That constant also appears in Hooke's law, which measures the force exerted on this object.</p>	<p>A <u>SPRING</u></p>

Round 6

1a	From 1992 until 2011, the Xeric Foundation awarded grants to self-publishing comic book creators. The Foundation's founder, Peter Laird, was co-creator with Kevin Eastman of what initially self-published comic book , eventually a massive media property?	<u>TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES</u>
1b	From 1904-1908, which future U.S. President served as Secretary of War under Teddy Roosevelt? He also briefly served as the first Provisional Governor of Cuba during that time.	William Howard <u>TAFT</u>
2a	A British woman in 2013 and an American couple in 2014 mistakenly boarded flights to a Caribbean island country, but intended to visit a similarly named Spanish city, likely to see the Alhambra. Name either destination.	<u>GRENADA</u> [Gren-AY-da] or <u>GRANADA</u> [Gren-AH-da]
2b	The upcoming long-delayed sequel to what film , both directed by Ridley Scott, will star Paul Mescal in the title role as the nephew of the prior title character, with Pedro Pascal as a general and Fred Hechinger [HECK-in-ger] as Emperor Caracalla?	<u>GLADIATOR</u> (accept "Gladiator II")
3a	Which jazz pianist , at one point a member of Miles Davis's band, is remembered for pioneering ECM-style jazz fusion with his group Return to Forever? He also performed with his Elektric Band as well as his Akoustic Band.	Armando "Chick" <u>COREA</u>
3b	The formula $\pi r^2 h$ [(read slowly) pi, times the radius squared, times height]" is used to calculate the volume of what three-dimensional object ? Both its circular portions have the same radius.	<u>CYLINDER</u> (or right circular <u>CYLINDER</u>)
4a	In Nordic combined, cross-country skiing is combined with what other ski-based sport , in which competitors slide down a ramp before taking off and attempting to achieve the largest possible distance?	Ski- <u>JUMP</u> ing
4b	What typeface is the default system font for Google's Android system? The Condensed font is a popular variant in this typeface family.	<u>ROBOTO</u>

Round 7

1a	What word comes before "play" to make an alliterative term in ice hockey that refers to the player advantage one team has while an opponent is in the penalty box?	<u>POWER</u> Play
1b	Forty-five years after Dorothy Hodgkin, the next woman to win the Nobel Prize in Chemistry was Ada Yonath. She is a crystallographer who won for her work on the structure of ribosomes, which are cell organelles where what building blocks are assembled into proteins?	<u>AMINO ACIDS</u>
2a	Which mid-tempo Chappell Roan song contains both a comma and an exclamation mark in its title? It imagines singing the three-word title phrase to another woman who is trying to deny her own queerness.	<u>"GOOD LUCK, BABE!"</u>
2b	In 2019, Black Dog Gelato premiered an offering featuring what polarizing Chicago liquor? Flavored with wormwood, it's often given to out-of-towners as an introduction or perhaps hazing.	Jeppson's <u>MALÖRT</u>
3a	Besides Connecticut, two other states have top-level statistical regions that are not counties. One has parishes, like St. Bernard's and Plaquemines, and the other has boroughs, like Bristol Bay and Denali. Name either state.	<u>LOUISIANA</u> or <u>ALASKA</u>
3b	What Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation fought the Treaty of Echota with legal petitions and personal appeals, but could not persuade Congress to void the treaty?	John <u>ROSS</u>
4a	Which poet wrote about enjoying her childhood despite hardship, because "Black love is Black wealth"? She delivered a chant poem to memorialize the victims of the 2007 shooting at Virginia Tech, where she taught for 35 years.	Nikki <u>GIOVANNI</u>
4b	One 21st-century movie to make it to the top 100 of the most recent Sight and Sound Greatest Films of All Time list is which horror film directed by Jordan Peele? In it, after ignoring a warning from another Black character, a young Black man discovers his white girlfriend's family is hiding shocking secrets in a "sunken place."	<u>GET OUT</u>

Round 8

1a	Which note of the standard solfege system was described as "a drink with jam and bread" in a song from the musical "The Sound of Music"?	<u>TI</u> [tea]
1b	Nicky Nichols, the inmate who took over the prison kitchen by the end of the series "Orange is the New Black", was played by what actor , currently filming her second season of "Poker Face" for Peacock?	Natasha <u>LYONNE</u>
2a	In 2019, which tennis player won her only singles Grand Slam title at the U.S. Open? This Canadian also won the Canadian Open that year.	Bianca <u>ANDREESCU</u> [On-dreh-ESS-koo] (but be generous)
2b	Used for glazing and varnishing, what form of refined resin is obtained from the secretions of female bugs in the forests of India and Thailand?	<u>SHELLAC</u>
3a	The cover art of the self-titled debut from Fleet Foxes is a detail from "Netherlandish Proverbs", a work by what "Elder" Dutch painter ?	Pieter <u>BREUGEL</u> [BROY-gul] the Elder
3b	Which fish has species including albacore and yellowfin? This fish might be distressed to learn that it is often eaten with mayonnaise in salads or sandwiches.	<u>TUNA</u>
4a	The second-largest airport of what American city in the central time zone is named not for an emotion but for a U.S. Army aviator who died in a plane crash in 1913?	<u>DALLAS</u> (Moss L. Love Airport)
4b	The word "Dalai" in the title "Dalai Lama" comes from the language of what country with its capital at Ulaanbaatar, which still widely practices Tibetan Buddhism today? An empire originating from this present-day country established the Yuan Dynasty in China.	<u>MONGOLIA</u>

Spares

1	What youngest winner of the Booker Prize for her novel "The Luminaries" most recently wrote the climate-change thriller "Birnam Wood"?	Eleanor <u>CATTON</u>
2	Competing in the Summer Olympics in canoe and taekwondo, shirtless flagbearer Pita Taufatofua also was what country's only athlete at the 2018 Winter Olympics?	<u>TONGA</u>
3	A family of avian creatures scattered through Indonesia and Papua New Guinea (the latter of which they are representative) share their name with an intricate and striking genus of flowering plants. Both are given which three-word name ?	<u>BIRD OF PARADISE</u>
4	With reference to one of the most recognizable folk songs from the country, what one-word name is given to the Australian women's national soccer team?	<u>MATILDA</u> s