



ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE

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Round 1

1a	The position of Acting Secretary of Defense in the Trump administration has been held by four men since the resignation of Jim Mattis in January 2019. Name two of them	Patrick <u>Shanahan</u> , Mark <u>Esper</u> , Richard <u>Spencer</u> , Christopher <u>Miller</u>
1b	The free alternative weekly newspaper in Madison, Wisconsin, is named after what geographical term for a thin strip of land between two bodies of water?	<u>Isthmus</u>
2a	The Milwaukee Brewers' only World Series was in 1982. Name two of the five Brewers in that roster who have been inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.	Robin <u>Yount</u> , Paul <u>Molitor</u> , Don <u>Nelson</u> , Rollie <u>Fingers</u> , Ted <u>Simmons</u>
2b	What numerically titled adventure novel, published in 1870, is subtitled <i>A World Tour Underwater</i> ?	<u>Twenty Thousand Leagues Under The Sea</u>
3a	The caterpillar of the monarch butterfly is a fussy eater, and only consumes the leaves of what plant?	<u>milkweed</u>
3b	What genre of electronic music, emerging in the early 2010s with musical acts such as Macintosh Plus and Blank Banshee, uses looped, slowed-down samples of 80s EZ-listening music?	<u>vaporwave</u>
4a	First and last name please. Who is the only film character whose portrayals won two Academy Awards for Best Actor-- one in a 1972 film, and again in the 1974 sequel?	<u>Vito Corleone</u> (accept <u>Vito Andolini</u>)
4b	What brand of vodka, packaged in an anatomically-correct bottle, was co-founded by actor Dan Aykroyd based on his fascination with certain pre-Columbian Mesoamerican artifacts?	<u>Crystal Head</u> (NOT Skull)

Round 2

1a	In 1978, the announcer at the Indianapolis 500 said, "Lady and gentleman, start your engines!" because of the presence of what pioneering female driver?	<u>Janet Guthrie</u>
1b	What song on the Beatles album <i>Revolver</i> has the lyrics, "Stay in bed, float upstream"?	<u>I'm Only Sleeping</u>
2a	Who was Prime Minister of Japan during World War II until 1944, and was later executed for war crimes?	<u>Hideki Tojo</u>
2b	What social media website, which copied Reddit's "karma" point system and became the new home to many banned subreddits, permanently shut down in December 2020?	<u>Voat</u>
3a	What 1986 film starring Emilio Estevez was the only film directed by writer Stephen King, based on his short story titled, "Trucks"?	<u>Maximum Overdrive</u>
3b	What large lake on the California-Nevada border is Washo for "Lake", thus making it "Lake Lake"?	<u>Lake Tahoe</u>
4a	What six-letter term meaning "crown" describes both the outer atmospheres of a star and the outer structure of the COVID virus?	<u>corona</u>
4b	What four-letter term for an obsessive smart person first appeared in the Dr. Seuss book <i>If I Ran The Zoo</i> , where it was grouped with a Nerkle and a Seersucker?	<u>nerd</u>

Round 3

1a	Pencil and paper ready. If the loudness of a quiet sound wave is 20 decibels, what is the loudness of a sound wave whose intensity is a thousand times greater?	<u>50 decibels</u>
1b	What newspaper, founded in 1837, won the Pulitzer Prize for Public Service for its coverage of Hurricane Katrina?	<u>Times-Picayune</u> (accept New Orleans Advocate)
2a	Spoilers! In 2013, the final episode of what TV series featured the Badfinger song, "Baby Blue", with a long zoom-out of the main character lying dead on the floor?	<u>Breaking Bad</u>
2b	With her 15th studio album <i>Disco</i> , who in 2020 became the first female artist to have number one albums in the UK across five decades?	Kylie <u>Minogue</u>
3a	In 1513, what Spanish explorer named Juan led the first known European expedition into current-day Florida?	Juan <u>Ponce de Leon</u>
3b	Premiering in 1847, what was Giuseppe Verdi's first operatic adaptation of a Shakespeare play, beginning with a large female chorus singing in three-part harmony?	<u>Macbeth</u>
4a	What tower defense video game, released by PopCap Games in 2009, has sequels named <i>Battle for Neighborville</i> and <i>Garden Warfare</i> ?	<u>Plants vs. Zombies</u>
4b	Not counting Daylight Savings, if it is noon in Los Angeles, California, what time is it in Lima, Peru?	<u>3:00pm</u>

Round 4

1a	What video rental company, known for their colorful kiosks, released the widely-panned 2019 film <i>The Fanatic</i> , starring John Travolta in the title role?	<u>Redbox (Entertainment)</u>
1b	Name the post-impressionist artistic group formed in 1911, including Franz Marc and Paul Klee, which was named after a colorful painting by fellow member Wassily Kandinsky.	The <u>Blue Rider</u> (Der Blaue Reiter)
2a	What unit of length, named for an Italian scientist, is equal to "ten to the minus fifteen" meters, about the size of a hydrogen nucleus?	<u>fermi</u>
2b	Which East Coast American state has shortest length of Atlantic coastline?	<u>New Hampshire</u> (18.57 miles)
3a	Name the American chess prodigy who dominated the game in the mid-19th century, and retired at the age of 22.	Paul <u>Morphy</u>
3b	The Philadelphia restaurants Pat's and Geno's claim to go through several cases of what Kraft food product per day?	<u>Cheez Whiz</u>
4a	Ashoka, who ruled most of India in the 3rd century BCE and promoted the spread of Buddhism, was an emperor during which Dynasty?	<u>Maurya</u> (also accept Maurayan)
4b	Who was prevented from performing his song "Talkin' John Birch Paranoid Blues" on the Ed Sullivan Show in 1963, and chose not to appear at all in protest, cancelling what would have been his first TV appearance?	<u>Bob Dylan</u>

HALF TIME – SWITCH ORDER**Round 5**

1a	The Indian mathematician-astronomer Aryabhata, born in the year 476, was one of the great minds of which "Golden Age" Indian empire?	<u>Gupta</u>
1b	What band was banned from the Ed Sullivan Show in 1967 after defying a request to replace a suggestive line in their first hit song with the line, "Girl, we couldn't get much better," which would have ruined the rhyme?	<u>The Doors</u>
2a	What unit of length, named for a Swedish scientist, is equal to "ten to the minus ten" meters, about the size of a hydrogen atom?	<u>angstrom</u>
2b	Name the post-impressionist art movement founded around 1904, including Andre Derain and Henri Matisse, which was named for the French word for "wild beasts".	<u>Fauvism</u>

3a	Name the Hungarian chess prodigy who achieved the title of Grandmaster at the age of 15, the youngest of any female player, and retired in 2014 at the age of 38.	Judit <u>Polgar</u>
3b	Two different Minneapolis bars claim to be the inventor of what cheeseburger with the cheese inside the meat instead of layered on top?	<u>Juicy Lucy</u>
4a	What now-defunct movie ticketing service released the widely-panned 2018 film <i>Gotti</i> , starring John Travolta in the title role?	<u>MoviePass</u> (Ventures)
4b	Which Middle Eastern country has just 17 miles of coastline on the Red Sea, at the Gulf of Aqaba? [AK-ah-bah]	<u>Jordan</u>

Round 6

1a	What six-letter term, named after the Roman goddess of the dawn, is a light-producing atmospheric phenomenon occurring mainly near the magnetic poles of several planets, including Earth?	<u>aurora</u>
1b	Although QAnon began on 4chan, the mysterious figure known as "Q" now posts his Q-drops on what imageboard, currently hosted on Russian servers?	<u>8kun</u> (NOT 8chan)
2a	Japanese Prime Minister Hideki Tojo developed a hatred towards the US when the Treaty of Portsmouth, ending the war between Japan and Russia, was mediated by which American President?	<u>Theodore Roosevelt</u>
2b	What promontory on the Iberian Peninsula is Arabic for "The Rock of Tariq", thus making it "The Rock of The Rock of Tariq"?	(The Rock of) <u>Gibraltar</u>
3a	What 1989 film co-starring Richard Pryor was the only film directed by comedian Eddie Murphy, who also plays gangster Vernest "Quick" Brown?	<u>Harlem Nights</u>
3b	What song on the Beatles album <i>Revolver</i> has the lyrics, "Turn off your mind, relax, and float downstream"?	<u>Tomorrow Never Knows</u>
4a	Although winners of the Indianapolis 500 traditionally drink milk during the post-race ceremony, in 1993 what Brazilian driver instead drank orange juice, to promote the orange groves he owned?	Emerson <u>Fittipaldi</u>
4b	What goey mixture of corn starch and water took its name from a Dr. Seuss book, where Bartholomew Cubbins rescues the Kingdom of Didd from the titular substance?	<u>Oobleck</u>

Round 7

1a	Name and regnal number please. Although he didn't win, Peter O'Toole was nominated for a Best Actor Oscar twice in the 1960s for playing which 12th century English king?	<u>Henry II</u>
1b	Name both lakes on either side of the downtown area of Madison, Wisconsin, both of which begin with M and end with A.	Lake <u>Mendota</u> , Lake <u>Monona</u>
2a	When the Milwaukee Brewers lost the World Series in 1982, what mediocre catcher, Major League actor, and Miller Lite spokesman was calling the game play-by-play on the radio?	<u>Bob Uecker</u>
2b	What brand of vodka, derived from grapes and named for the French words for "summit" and "rock", is marketed and promoted in the US by Sean "Diddy" Combs?	<u>Cîroc (cime+ roche)</u>
3a	The endangered black-footed ferret, native to the Western US plains, primarily eats what rodents and then moves into their emptied burrows?	<u>Prairie Dog</u>
3b	What numerically titled anti-war novel, published in 1969, is subtitled <i>A Duty-Dance with Death</i> ?	<u>Slaughterhouse-Five</u>
4a	Which cabinet department in the Trump administration has not been led by a Senate-confirmed candidate since Kirstjen Nielsen resigned in April 2019?	<u>Homeland Security</u>

4b	What genre of electronic music, emerging in the late 2010s with artists such as 100 Geecs, SOPHIE, and artists on the PC Music label, uses exaggerated, futuristic and maximalist techniques, such as AutoTune?	<u>hyperpop</u>
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Round 8

1a	What platform video game, developed by Naughty Dog in 1996, has sequels named <i>Cortex Strikes Back</i> , <i>On the Run!</i> , and <i>Warped</i> ?	<u>Crash Bandicoot</u>
1b	Premiering in 1893, what was Giuseppe Verdi's last opera, an adaptation of three different Shakespeare plays, all featuring the title character?	<u>Falstaff</u>
2a	Spoilers! In 2005, the final episode of what TV series ended with the Sia song, "Breathe Me", with a montage of the future moments of death of all the major characters?	<u>Six Feet Under</u>
2b	With her 2011 song, "Haven't Seen the Last of Me" from the movie <i>Burlesque</i> , who became the first female artist to have Billboard number one songs across six decades?	<u>Cher</u>
3a	In 1542, what Portuguese explorer named Juan led the first known European expedition into current-day California?	Juan <u>Cabrillo</u> [ka-BREE-yo]
3b	Not counting Daylight Savings, it is noon in Los Angeles, California, what time is it in Baghdad, Iraq?	<u>11:00pm</u>
4a	Pencil and paper ready. The intensity of sunlight at the Earth is 1400 watts per square meter. What is the intensity of sunlight at two astronomical units from the Sun?	<u>350 watts per square meter</u>
4b	What newspaper based in Minneapolis has the highest circulation in the Midwest?	<u>Star Tribune</u>

Spare Questions

1	What opera by Verdi, also based on a Shakespeare play, opens on a stormy evening on the island of Cyprus?	<u>Otello</u>
2	Name the first US Secretary of Defense, who died in 1949 after falling out of the 16th floor window of the Bethesda Naval Hospital.	<u>James Forrestal</u>
3	The 2004 autobiographical book, <i>Between a Rock and a Hard Place</i> , was adapted into what disarming film starring James Franco?	<u>127 Hours</u>
4	Which Woody Allen film is the only one of his to win two acting awards: Best Supporting Actress for Dianne Wiest, and Best Supporting Actor for Michael Caine?	<u>Hannah and Her Sisters</u>