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ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE

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1a	On the BBC's list of 100 Novels That Shaped Our World is <i>A Thousand Splendid Suns</i> , the 2007 novel by what Afghan-American author?	Khaled HOSSEINI
1b	A violet color can be achieved in lead crystal using what element, number 28 on the periodic table, that is frequently found in electronic goods and a namesake American coin?	<u>NICKEL</u>
2a	In 2013, Alicia Garza, Patrisse Cullors, and Opal Tometi co-founded what political and social movement, very often hashtagged, that received a Nobel Peace Prize nomination last month?	BLACK LIVES MATTER (accept BLM)
2b	What VH1 reality show franchise, which has been on the air since 2011, originated in New York and has namesake spin-offs based in Atlanta, Hollywood, and Miami?	LOVE & HIP-HOP
3a	Called "one of the most iconic pieces of jewelry in hip-hop," what item shares its name with the title of a 2012 album by The Game and has been featured on the cover of Rick Ross's <i>God Forgives, I Don't</i> ?	JESUS Piece
3b	Located in the smallest state that currently hosts a NASCAR Cup Series race, what speedway is nicknamed "The Monster Mile"?	DOVER International Speedway
4a	What historical region of central Spain—once a medieval kingdom—gives its name to a traditional soap that has been produced since the Middle Ages and that originally included only olive oil, alkaline ash, and brine?	CASTILE / CASTILLA
4b	The Archaeological Ruins at Moenjodaro [mo EN jo DAR oh] are one of the first UNESCO World Heritage Sites inscribed in which Indus Valley country?	PAKISTAN

1a	Inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in 1993, what civil rights activist and labor leader co-founded the National Farmworkers Association in 1962 and originated the United Farm Workers' motto "Sí, se puede"?	Dolores Fernández HUERTA
1b	The video for Prince's 2005 single "Te Amo Corazon" was directed by what Oscar-nominated <i>Frida</i> actress?	Salma <u>HAYEK</u> (Salma Valgarma Hayek Jiménez; Salma Hayek Pinault)
2a	Who is Laurel Hand, according to the title of Eudora Welty's Pulitzer-winning book?	The OPTIMIST'S DAUGHTER
2b	The SunKings were a Continental Basketball Association team purchased and wholly owned by the Yakama Nation of which US state?	WASHINGTON
3a	What former supermodel and TV show host started Fierce Capital, the investment arm of her self-named company?	Tyra BANKS
3b	What three-letter term from the Arabic for "dune field" refers to a broad, flat area of desert that is covered with mobile, wind-swept sand?	<u>ERG</u>
4a	What musician who lost on <i>Star Search</i> ended up winning a Best New Artist Grammy off the success of such songs as "What a Girl Wants" and "Genie in a Bottle"?	Christina <u>AGUILERA</u>
4b	What is removed during an orchiectomy?	TESTIS or TESTICLE (accept equivalents, tastefully)

1a	Queenie Pie, an unfinished opera inspired by the life of Madam C. J. Walker, was written by what bandleader who provided the Grammywinning score for Anatomy of a Murder?	Edward Kennedy "Duke" ELLINGTON
1b	The Florida Classic is the annual college football rivalry game between Florida A&M University and what other historically Black school—an in-state rival?	BETHUNE-COOKMAN University
2a	What is the collective name for side dishes served in Korean cuisine that are eaten to add flavor and texture diversity to a meal?	BANCHAN or BANSANG
2b	The Mackinac [MACK ih NAW] Bridge connects Mackinaw City and St. Ignace in which US state?	MICHIGAN
3a	There is a portrait in the lobby of New York City's Plaza Hotel of what fictional character who lives in a room on the hotel's tippy-top floor in a book series by children's author Kay Thompson?	ELOISE
3b	What bird of the family <i>Spheniscidae</i> is the official mascot of the Linux kernel? (You may provide either his given name or the standard English name for the kind of bird he is.)	PENGUIN or TUX
4a	The kings of the Mali Empire, such as Musa Keita I, were given what title, still the Mandinka word for "King"?	MANSA
4b	The vocals for "Gimme a Break," the theme song to the sitcom of the same name, were performed by what actress, who also starred in the show?	Nell <u>CARTER</u> (accept Nell <u>HARDY</u>)

1a	Since 2008, stand-up comic Stephanie Courtney has hawked Progressive insurance in commercials as what recognizable character?	FLO
1b	Brandon is the second-largest city in which Canadian province—the only Prairie province whose largest city is also its capital?	MANITOBA
2a	According to TLC, what word describes "a guy that thinks he's fly" and who "[is] also known as a busta"?	<u>SCRUB</u>
2b	What American astronomer who developed the Harvard spectral classification scheme was nicknamed "the census taker of the sky" for her work on <i>The Henry Draper Catalogue</i> and her classification of more than a quarter million stars?	Annie Jump <u>CANNON</u>
3a	We Were Eight Years in Power: An American Tragedy is a collection of essays written by what journalist and occasional Marvel Comics writer during his time as a national correspondent at <i>The Atlantic?</i>	Ta-Nehisi <u>COATES</u>
3b	What actor won the inaugural MTV Movie Award for Best Shirtless Performance in 2013 for his work as a brooding werewolf in <i>The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn—Part 2</i> ?	Taylor <u>LAUTNER</u>
4a	What Japanese-American sculptor, creator of the mermaid fountain in San Francisco's Ghirardelli Square, was honored by the US Postal Service with a set of commemorative stamps featuring several of the artist's looped-wire pieces?	Ruth <u>ASAWA</u>
4b	In the Code of Points for women's gymnastics, a triple-twisting double backflip is named for what athlete, who, in 2019, became the first woman to successfully execute the skill? She won the Worlds All-Around that year, and many others.	Simone <u>BILES</u>

HALF TIME – Switch Order (Scoring App will instruct)

1a	Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream is the first of several presidential biographies written by what historian and frequent guest commentator on Meet the Press?	Doris Kearns <u>GOODWIN</u> (accept "Kearns")
1b	The Sun are a WNBA team purchased and wholly owned by the Mohegan Indian tribe of which US state?	CONNECTICUT
2a	What NBA MVP forward of the 2010s co-founded the investment company Thirty Five Ventures?	Kevin <u>DURANT</u>
2b	What proper-named hollow body part is removed during a salpingectomy?	FALLOPIAN TUBES
3a	What musician who lost on <i>Star Search</i> ended up winning Grammys for such songs as "Uninvited" and "You Oughta Know"?	Alanis MORISSETTE
3b	The videos for the Belinda Carlisle songs "I Get Weak" and "Heaven Is a Place on Earth" were directed by what Oscar-winning <i>Annie Hall</i> actress?	Diane <u>KEATON</u> (accept "Diane <u>HALL</u> ")
4a	What American sculptor's monochromatic wooden assemblages, including <i>Royal Tide I</i> and <i>Nightsphere-Light</i> , were featured on a set of commemorative stamps released by the US Postal Service in 2000?	Louise <u>NEVELSON</u> (accept Leah <u>BERLIAWSKY</u>)
4b	What seven-letter term refers to a crescent-shaped, frequently migratory dune whose shape and motion are the result of wind arising predominantly from a single direction?	BARCHAN (The "ch" is a hard ["k"] sound, but accept any reasonable pronunciation)

1a	What modern equivalent of "carpe diem" is the motto of Drake's song "The Motto"? (You may give either the full version or its acronym.)	YOLO or YOU ONLY LIVE ONCE
1b	Moncton is the largest city in which Canadian province—a Maritime province whose capital is its third-largest city?	NEW BRUNSWICK
2a	Who is Mr. Kapasi, according to the title of Jhumpi Lahiri's Pulitzer-winning short-story collection?	INTERPRETER OF MALADIES
2b	The only person besides Taylor Lautner to win an MTV Movie Award for Best Shirtless Performance was what former <i>High School Musical</i> star, who won it twice in a row?	Zac <u>EFRON</u>
3a	Inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in 1993, what community organizer co-founded the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party in 1964 and is credited with the phrase "sick and tired of being sick and tired"?	Fannie Lou <u>HAMER</u>
3b	What Scottish science writer and polymath, nicknamed "the queen of science," predicted the discovery of Neptune in the third edition of her 1834 book, <i>On the Connexion of the Physical Sciences</i> ?	Mary <u>SOMERVILLE</u> (accept Mary <u>FAIRFAX</u>)
4a	On and off since 2013, comic actress Milana Vayntrub has portrayed the character of Lily Adams, a blue-shirted sales clerk for what venerable phone company?	AT&T
4b	Of the apparatuses used in women's artistic gymnastics at the Olympics, the only one that does not have a skill named for Simone Biles in the Code of Points is what apparatus with a "parallel" alternative in men's gymnastics?	<u>UNEVEN BARS</u> (prompt on "bars")

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1a	What Korean dish, whose name can be translated as "mixed vegetable," is frequently made by stir-frying meat, vegetables, and mushrooms separately, then mixing them all together with glass noodles made from sweet potato or potato starch?	<u>JAPCHAE</u>
1b	An opaque white color can be achieved in stained glass by using tin dioxide, antimony, and what element, number 33 on the periodic table, most famous as the "poison of kings"?	<u>ARSENIC</u>
2a	Symphony in Black, the 1935 Oscar-winning short musical film featuring Duke Ellington's "A Rhapsody of Negro Life," included the film debut of what jazz vocalist? The same year, her early hit "What A Little Moonlight Can Do" would build her fame.	Billie <u>HOLIDAY</u> (accept Eleanora <u>FAGAN</u>)
2b	The Bayou Classic is the annual college football rivalry game between Southern University and what other historically Black school—an instate rival?	GRAMBLING State University
3a	In Manning, South Carolina, hometown of children's author Peggy Parish, there is a statue of what book-series heroine—a housekeeper with a rhyming name who always takes instructions too literally?	AMELIA BEDELIA (accept either name; this is unlikely)
3b	Historic Bridgetown and its Garrison are the first (and so far, only) UNESCO World Heritage Site inscribed in which Caribbean country?	BARBADOS
4a	By the end of Mansa Musa's reign, one of the largest libraries in the world was at the Sankoré University in which education-focused city of the Mali Empire?	<u>TIMBUKTU</u>
4b	The vocals for "There's a New Girl in Town," the theme song to the sitcom <i>Alice</i> , were performed by what actress, who also starred in the show?	Linda <u>LAVIN</u>

1a	On the BBC's list of 100 Novels That Shaped Our World is <i>Half of a Yellow Sun</i> , the 2006 novel by what Nigerian author?	Chimamanda Ngozi <u>ADICHIE</u>
1b	What HGTV reality show franchise, which has been on the air since 2013, originated in Orange County and has had namesake spin-offs based in Las Vegas, Atlanta, Nashville, Fort Worth, and Chicago?	FLIP OR FLOP
2a	Most Nobel prizes are presented in Stockholm; which other Scandinavian capital is the home of the Peace Prize?	OSLO, Norway
2b	The <i>Guinness</i> world record holder for "Longest bridge over water (continuous)" is the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway in which US state?	LOUISIANA
3a	What southern French city gives its name to a traditional hard soap that has been produced since the 14th century and originally included only olive oil, alkaline ash, and Mediterranean seawater?	MARSEILLE
3b	What Virginia speedway that currently hosts a NASCAR Cup Series race is nicknamed "The Paperclip"?	MARTINSVILLE Speedway
4a	In his memoir, <i>Decoded</i> , what rapper wrote, "The Jesus piece that Biggie used to wear [is] part of my ritual when I record an album: I wear the Jesus piece and let my hair grow till I'm done"?	JAY-Z (accept Shawn CARTER)
4b	What Southern-hemisphere mammal of the family <i>Bovidae</i> is also the name of (and therefore a mascot for) an extensive collection of free UNIX-like software that can be used as an operating system?	GNU

Spare Questions

1	What African country's name is derived from the Kanuri word for "lake"?	CHAD
2	Greek for "end part," what is the name of the region of repetitive nucleotide sequences that protect the ends of a chromosome from deterioration?	TELOMERE
3	In 1908, eight-year-old Romola Remus became the first person to play what character on film? Thirty-one years later, a different actress would become significantly more associated with this role.	DOROTHY Gale
4	What letter that is not included in the standard Italian alphabet appears in the standard Neapolitan alphabet?	Ī