



ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE
Questions set by The Station Agent
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Round 1

1a	What is the last name of the central family in Gabriel Garcia-Marquez's novel <i>One Hundred Years of Solitude</i> including founding patriarch Jose Arcadio and Colonel Aureliano?	<u>BUENDIA</u>
_1b	The first independent Protestant denomination to be founded by Black Americans, the A.M.E. Church was born in Philadelphia in 1816. A church in the Wesleyan tradition, for what words do the letters "A.M.E." stand?	<u>AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL</u>
2a	The <i>assegai</i> (ASS-a-guy) and Shaka Zulu's shorter <i>iklwa</i> (EEK-ull-wa) are African versions of what type of basic pointed weapon?	<u>SPEAR</u>
2b	A portmanteau of two classic 80s titles by Nintendo and Konami, what style of video game is typically a platform game with an explorable, nonlinear layout and upgradeable equipment?	<u>METROIDVANIA</u>
3a	What aeronautical-sounding name is given to a fast air current near the level of the tropopause which typically flows west to east? This phenomenon is often represented on weather maps.	<u>JET STREAM</u>
3b	Beethoven's ninth symphony is known as the "choral," and was the first instance of a major composer using voices in orchestral composition. What poem by Friedrich Schiller is far more famous as the fourth movement of this symphony?	<u>ODE TO JOY</u>
4a	Chrissy Watkins, Larry Vaughn, and Deputy Hendricks are several of the relatively small number of characters with lines in what popular film, which focuses primarily on three other main characters including Matt Hooper?	<u>JAWS</u>
4b	Eminent herpetologist Joan Procter popularized many techniques for the handling of reptiles in zoos, including vitaglass which allowed natural ultraviolet light to penetrate the London Zoo's reptile house. Natural UV light is needed by many animals to synthesize what vitamin?	Vitamin <u>D</u>

Round 2

1a	Also a party in the United Kingdom, what center-left party is represented by New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern?	<u>LABOUR</u>
1b	An early Black star of the Grand Ole Opry, DeFord Bailey was best known for playing such songs as "Fox Chase" and "Pan American Blues" on what highly portable instrument? The main body of this instrument is called the "comb."	<u>HARMONICA</u>
2a	What valuable animal product is sometimes used to name the poet who wrote <i>Sir Gawain and the Green Knight</i> ? This unidentified poet also wrote a poem titled for one of these objects.	<u>PEARL</u>
2b	In the context of chemistry, an "organic" compound is one which contains what element? With oxygen and hydrogen, this element makes up sugars.	<u>CARBON</u>
3a	The Edgar Award for best TV mystery episode was given in 1991 to what series that is not typically part of the mystery genre? In the episode "Goodnight, Dear Heart," Sam is a mortician in 1958 who doesn't believe a death was caused by suicide.	<u>QUANTUM LEAP</u>
3b	The largest pharmaceutical company headquartered in a Nordic country, what diabetes-focused pharmaceutical company uses an Egyptian bull as its logo? Their products include Victoza and the Levemir insulin injector.	<u>NOVO NORDISK</u>
4a	An extremely famous example of Spanish Baroque Colonial architecture, what mission in California is the only extant place where Father Junipero Serra is known to have celebrated mass? It is also known for its seasonal population of the species <i>Petrochelidon pyrrhonota</i> .	San Juan <u>CAPISTRANO</u>
4b	Known as "Spider-Man" for his habit of climbing the race fence after a win, what ebullient Brazilian driver became the fourth four-time Indianapolis 500 winner in 2021?	Helio <u>CASTRONEVES</u>

Round 3

1a	The undisputed king of performance capture, what actor portrayed Gollum in <i>Lord of the Rings</i> and Caesar in <i>Planet of the Apes</i> ?	Andy <u>SERKIS</u>
1b	The Nintendo game California Games was required to use the name "footbag" for the activity widely referred to by what brand name? Often crocheted, these items are kicked around in a circle and often associated with slacker teens in media.	<u>HACKY SACK</u>
2a	Lost in English, what noun case is used when a word is the object of a preposition or the direct object of a sentence? In German, this changes the article of masculine nouns from "der" to "den."	<u>ACCUSATIVE</u>
2b	What word is added to the name "Martha Stewart" to give the name of her magazine and lifestyle brand?	<u>LIVING</u>
3a	One proposed etymology for the word "ok" is that it is a campaign abbreviation for what Presidential nickname of Martin Van Buren?	<u>OLD KINDERHOOK</u>
3b	A parabola is made up of all points equidistant from a point called the "focus," and a line called what?	<u>DIRECTRIX</u>
4a	The memoir <i>Farewell to Manzanar</i> describes Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston's childhood experiences in what type of institution created during World War II, a blight on American history?	Japanese Internment <u>CAMPS</u> (accept any reasonable equivalents)
4b	Better known as members of a band, who wrote the music for the 1986 musical <i>Chess</i> ? You may give either individual's last name. Tim Rice wrote lyrics and book.	Bjorn <u>ULVAEUS</u> or Benny <u>ANDERSSON</u> (these are the men of ABBA)

Round 4

1a	Known by its genus name, what important cereal crop cultivated as animal feed, and used less frequently to make syrup, was an important product in the 2018 trade war between the US and China? Leading producers include the state of Kansas and the country of Nigeria.	<u>SORGHUM</u>
1b	What species or subspecies of the genus Homo was given a Latin name meaning "working," reflecting its use of relatively advanced tools?	Homo (erectus) <u>ERGASTER</u> (be relatively precise here as some people are likely to say many things starting with "erg")
2a	With the same name as the show hosted by David Letterman and then Stephen Colbert on CBS, what was the name of Joan Rivers's talk show launched on Fox in 1986?	The <u>LATE SHOW</u>
2b	Originally written and recorded by Yusuf Cat Stevens, what song went on to become a hit for P.P. Arnold, Keith Hampshire, Rod Stewart, Dawn Penn, Papa Dee, and Sheryl Crow? It opens "I would have given you all of my heart."	The <u>FIRST CUT IS THE DEEPEST</u>
3a	What painting technique is often divided into "buon" (BWOAN) and "secco" varieties, depending on the state of the plaster it's done on?	<u>FRESCO</u>
3b	The two-time-national-champion Louisiana Tech women's basketball team is known as the Lady Techsters. What much more boring nickname which can be found at two separate SEC schools including bordering Mississippi State is used by Louisiana Tech's men's teams?	<u>BULLDOGS</u> (Karl Malone was a Louisiana Tech Bulldog)
4a	There is significant debate about the legendary-versus-historical status of what Assyrian queen, to whom Herodotus attributed the embankments at Babylon and whom Dante located in the second circle of hell? A real queen by this name did reign or serve as regent during the 9th century BCE.	<u>SEMIRAMIS / SHAMMURAMAT</u>
4b	A common Thanksgiving technique, what word refers to pouring the juices of cooking meat or poultry back over the meat as it cooks, to maintain moisture?	<u>BASTING / BASTE</u>

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Round 5

1a	The second most famous mission named San Juan Capistrano is part of the series of missions near what US city, which together make up a UNESCO World Heritage Site? The city is home to a minor league baseball team called the Missions.	<u>SAN ANTONIO</u>
1b	The radioactive isotope carbon-14, with its useful half-life of 5,732 years, is used heavily for which function related to archaeological and paleontological research?	<u>DATING</u> (accept equivalents related to age determination)
2a	Also the name of Justin Trudeau's differently-aligned incumbent party in Canada, what center-right party is represented by Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison?	<u>LIBERAL</u>
2b	Through 2019, what long-dominant team in IndyCar did Helio Castroneves race for? The namesake and owner of this team with a signature red-and-white car design is a transportation entrepreneur.	Team <u>PENSKE</u>
3a	The Edgar Award for best TV mystery episode was given in 2002 to what series that is not typically part of the mystery genre? In the episode "Pine Barrens," the Russian character Valery escapes two men trying to make him dig his own grave.	The <u>SOPRANOS</u>
3b	Once part of a joint venture with Abbott Labs called TAP Pharmaceuticals, what largest Japanese pharmaceutical company produces mainstay drugs such as Entyvio for ulcerative colitis and Actos for diabetes?	<u>TAKEDA</u>
4a	The Pearl Poet was a likely contemporary of William Langland, who wrote what 14th century masterpiece? The title character will help penitents find their way on a pilgrimage if they help him work his field.	<u>PIERS PLOUGHMAN</u>
4b	Only the second Black member of the Grand Ole Opry, what former lead singer of Hootie and the Blowfish has revived his career as a country artist?	Darius <u>RUCKER</u>

Round 6

1a	What work by Elie Wiesel, first translated into English in 1960, describes his brutal experiences in Jewish concentration camps? It is the first in a trilogy whose next book is called <i>Dawn</i> .	<u>NIGHT</u>
1b	What anagrammatic name suggesting a comedic actor is used by Oprah Winfrey's media production company?	<u>HARPO</u>
2a	Andy Serkis is set to play Alfred Pennyworth in 2022's <i>The Batman</i> , the first film to feature what formerly-sparkly actor as the Caped Crusader?	Robert <u>PATTINSON</u>
2b	What are the very generic names of the male lead characters of the musical <i>Chess</i> , according to its playbill? You may name either individual.	The <u>AMERICAN</u> or The <u>RUSSIAN</u>
3a	For what military phrase was the "U.S." in Ulysses S. Grant said to stand? It was coined after his demands at the battle of Fort Donelson.	<u>UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER</u>
3b	What measure of a conic section's shape is always equal to 1 for parabolas and 0 for circles?	<u>ECCENTRICITY</u>
4a	A broader category than "possessive," what noun case is used to indicate possession, composition, or participation? In German, many nouns pick up an "n" or "s" ending to form this case, such as the board game prize "Spiel des Jahres" (SPEEL des YAH-res).	<u>GENITIVE</u>
4b	The Nintendo game California Games was required to use the name "flying disc" for the activity widely referred to by what brand name? These items are typically made from injection-molded plastic.	<u>FRISBEE</u>

Round 7

1a	The prop sharks from the film <i>Jaws</i> were given what nickname, after Steven Spielberg's lawyer? A Pixar supporting character would later be given this name in tribute.	<u>BRUCE</u>
1b	Named for the similarity of games in this genre to a certain 1980 game, what style of video game is typically a dungeon crawl with procedurally generated levels, in which dying causes one to have to start all over again?	<u>ROGUELIKE</u>
2a	What is the last name of the central family in Isabel Allende's novel <i>The House of the Spirits</i> including the horrible Esteban?	<u>TRUEBA</u>
2b	In the 1920s Joan Procter became particularly associated with a lizard named Sumbawa, a member of what species? Now a very popular zoo attraction, this species gained widespread Western notoriety in a 1912 paper by the Dutch head of the Zoological Museum in Java.	<u>KOMODO DRAGON</u>
3a	The jet stream was first detected by Japanese meteorologist Wasaburo Oishi, whose work was - ironically enough - rarely read outside of Japan because he published it in what abortively-attempted global language popular in the 19th and 20th centuries?	<u>ESPERANTO</u>
3b	The short-short-short-long motif sometimes known as "death knocking at the door" opens which numbered symphony of Beethoven, a cornerstone of Western music?	Symphony Number <u>5</u> or <u>FIFTH</u>
4a	The Japanese <i>nodachi</i> and Chinese <i>jian</i> are Asian versions of what type of basic weapon?	<u>SWORD</u>
4b	The A.M.E. Church is not to be confused with another Black Church denomination which adds an additional word to "African Methodist Episcopal." What Biblical place name - also the name of a National Park - is this?	<u>ZION</u>

Round 8

1a	Ctesias (TESS-e-us) of Cnidus (NYE-dus) inaccurately attributed the Behistun Inscription to Semiramis. What powerful Achaemenid (a-KEY-ma-nid) king was the author of that inscription, important to deciphering cuneiform?	<u>DARIUS</u> (the Great / the First)
1b	What Yusuf Cat Stevens song written from two perspectives has also been a hit for Boyzone and Ronan Keating? It was also featured in <i>Guardians of the Galaxy 2</i> , for which it was thematically appropriate.	<u>FATHER AND SON</u>
2a	Known as <i>yuca</i> - one "c", not two - in Latin America, what shrub with a tuberous root is often consumed boiled and valuable for its versatile starch? Nigeria and Thailand are the leading global producers of this crop.	<u>CASSAVA</u> or <u>MANIOC</u> (prompt on "tapioca")
2b	A common technique for whole chickens, what word refers to skewering a bird and rotating it as it's cooked over a fire or in an oven? A large number of restaurants serve roasted chicken with the name of this technique.	<u>ROTISSERIE</u> or <u>SPIT ROAST</u>
3a	A word often used to refer to certain soft color tones rather than the practice itself, what painting technique involves the use of colored sticks that contain the pigment and the binder?	<u>PASTEL</u>
3b	What state contains one university where the men's teams are known as the Wonder Boys and the women are known as the Golden Suns, and another where the men are the Bears and the women are, fairly absurdly, the Sugar Bears? The best-known university in this state cheers its men's and women's teams by "calling the hogs."	<u>ARKANSAS</u> (those are Arkansas Tech and Central Arkansas, home of Scottie Pippen)
4a	One of the hosts of Fox's <i>The Late Show</i> in 1987 was what Black comedian, whose namesake show from 1989 to 1994 featured a fistpumping portion of the audience called "The Dog Pound" and Bill Clinton's legendary sax performance?	Arsenio <u>HALL</u>
4b	The best known <i>Homo ergaster</i> fossil is a boy from what African lake, the world's largest alkaline lake?	Lake <u>TURKANA</u>

Spare Questions

1	The second novel by Ralph Ellison was titled for what celebration originating in Galveston, Texas sometimes known as “emancipation day”?	<u>JUNETEENTH</u>
2	Perhaps most associated with their pointed projectiles, what paleo-American culture is named for the town in New Mexico nearest to their fossil finds?	<u>CLOVIS</u> Culture
3	What New York-formed band gets the “u” in its name from British guitarist Vernon Reid? They won Best New Artist at the 1989 VMAs and a 1990 Hard Rock Performance Grammy.	<u>LIVING COLOUR</u>
4	Jerry Lawson is the inventor of the Fairchild Channel F, released in 1976 as the first of many video game consoles to sell its games in what removable format?	ROM <u>CARTRIDGES</u>