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## DELIBERATELY

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Round 1

| 1a | Written in 2018, A Day in the Life of Marlon Bundo is an account of the same-sex romance of the real-life pet of what vice president with particularly anti-LGBTQ views? | Mike PENCE |
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| 1b | Lumen Field is the home stadium of what National Women's Soccer League team? | OL REIGN (accept SEATTLE Reign) |
| 2a | In musical notation, what is the name of the mark depicted as horizontal wedge shape, used to indicate that the note should have a strong emphasis? It shares its name (but not shape) with a typographical mark in many languages that does the same thing. | ACCENT |
| 2 b | The First Triumvirate of Rome, forming in 60 BCE, was an unofficial, and uneasy, alliance between three of Rome's most powerful men: Julius Caesar, Pompey, what what other general and stateman? | Marcus Licinius CRASSUS |
| 3 a | Larger than the Chicxulub crater and located in South Africa, what is the largest known impact structure on earth? It formed over two billion years ago, and the crater has since been widely eroded. | VREDEFORT impact structure |
| 3b | The 2023 Rhys Frake-Waterfield slasher film subtitled "Blood and Honey" is a horror retelling featuring what children's literary character, whose first book entered the public domain in January 2022? | WINNIE THE POOH |
| 4a | The blue, red, yellow and white diamond seen on hazardous materials, a standard created by the NFPA, warns of four types of hazard and their level of danger. The white section of the diamond is used for special hazards such as "asphyxiant", or "water reactivity"; what is any one of the other three types of hazard? | HEALTH, FIRE/FLAMMABILITY, or INSTABILITY (only one answer required) |
| 4b | The Kā Tiritiri o te Moana mountains in New Zealand also are known by what name, which is similar to a famous range in Europe? | SOUTHERN ALPS (prompt on just Alps) |

Round 2

| 1a | What 2016 single by Machine Gun Kelly and Camila Cabello <br> interpolates the 1999 song "Out of My Head" by Fastball? | BAD THINGS |
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| 1b | The opening credits to most seasons of Full House end with a shot of <br> the family picnicking in Alamo Square in front of what famous non- <br> bridge landmark in San Francisco? | PAINTED LADIES |
| 2a | What eminent playwright created such works as "Siwe Banzi is Dead" <br> collaboratively with actors John Kani and Winston Ntshona? | Athol FUGARD |
| 2b | Britton Hill, sitting at an elevation of 345 ft in which US state, is the <br> lowest state high point? | FLORIDA |
| 3a | What backyard toy, invented by Wham-O in 1961, is made up of a <br> plastic sheet connected to a garden hose, that has a very low <br> coefficient of friction when wet? | SLIP 'N SLIDE |
| 3b | Nicknamed "The Incredible Bulk" on the cover of Sports Illustrated as <br> the best offensive line prospect ever, Tony Mandarich was a huge draft <br> bust after being taken 2nd overall in 1989 to join Sterling Sharpe and <br> Don Majkowski on what team? | GREEN BAY PACKERS (accept |
| 4a | What neurodegenerative encephalopathy in cows, transmitted by <br> prions, is nicknamed "mad cow disease" and abbreviated BSE? | BOVINE SPONGIFORM <br> Encephalopathy <br> 4b <br> In 1887, Joseph Pulitzer hired what journalist, assigned her to go <br> undercover at NYC's Woman's Lunatic Asylum, publishing her exposé <br> in the "New York World" and later in her book "Ten Days in a Mad <br> House"? She is also well-known for a notable trip and travelogue. |


| Round $\mathbf{3}$ |
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| 1a From the Greek for "self-devouring", what is the term for how the body <br> breaks down and reuses cellular components? AUTOPHAGY <br> 1b What capital of Arizona is also the largest state capital by population in <br> the US? PHOENIX <br> 2a Also known as the Armenian plum, what fruit's English name can be <br> traced through French, Catalan, Arabic, Greek, to the early Latin <br> "praecocia", meaning "early-ripening"? APRICOT <br> 2b The multiple Oscar winning and nominated film A Beautiful Mind, <br> features Russell Crowe playing John Nash, who has what psychiatric <br> disorder? SCHIZOPHRENIA |
| 3a |
| What animal was commonly sculpted and glazed in blue faience in <br> ancient Egypt? This large mammal was a near-constant threat to crops <br> despite its modern "cute" renderings. A famous one named "William" <br> can be found at the Met. |
| 3b |
| Orginally relating to frustrating Border Patrol roadblocks for traveling to <br> the Florida Keys, what name was given to the micronation that had a <br> tongue-in-cheek secession on April 23, 1982? |
| 4a |
| What singer is known by the nickname "Riri", which is also the name of <br> her own fragrance brand released in 2015? |
| 4b |
| What man, the world heavyweight boxing champion from 1937 to <br> 1949, holds the record for the most consecutive title defenses at 25 ? |
| CONCH REPUBLIC |

## Round 4

| 1a | What French culinary term refers to the practice of preparing and <br> organizing all ingredients and tools before cooking begins? | MISE EN PLACE |
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| 1b | From 1948-1997, Southend-on-Sea in Essex, UK had an attraction <br> that was a replica of what ship used by Sir Francis Drake for his famed <br> circumnavigation? | GOLDEN HIND |
| 2a | In about five billion years, the sun will expand into what type of large, <br> colorful star? | RED GIANT |
| 2b | Named for the baseball pitcher who holds the record for most career <br> wins, what award is given to the best pitchers in the National and <br> American Leagues of Major League Baseball? | CY YOUNG award |
| 3a | Considered by many as the best album by an ex-Beatle, George <br> Harrison released what triple album, co-produced by Phil Spector, in <br> November 1970, which included the single "My Sweet Lord"? | ALL THINGS MUST PASS |
| 3b | What is the richest country in Asia in terms of GDP per capita, <br> according to the World Bank and is also the world's second most <br> densly populated country, as well as second smallest country in Asia? | SINGAPORE |
| 4a | Considered partially autobiographical, the title of what major Yukio <br> Mishima novel refers to the persona constructed by the main character <br> Kochan? | CONFESSIONS OF A MASK |
| 4b | What is the surname of the family with by far the most Oscar <br> nominations, with over 90? | NEWMAN |

HALFTIME - SWITCH SIDES!
Round 5

| 1a | What singer is known by the nickname "Mimi", which is also in the <br> name of her best-selling 2005 album, "The Emancipation of Mimi"? | Mariah CAREY |
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| 1b | Following the success of "Winnie-the-Pooh: Blood and Honey", Rhys <br> Frake-Waterfield announced plans to make a horror movie, titled <br> "Neverland Nightmare," about what other children's character? | PETER PAN |
| 2a | Due to their connection particularly to the god Khepri, what animal <br> was commonly carved as an amulet and included in Egyptian <br> funerary rites? | SCARAB or BEETLE or DUNG |
| 2b | The tallest peak in the Kā Tiritiri o te Moana/Southern Alps is Aoraki, <br> reaching 12, 218ft, and is also known by what name, from an 18th <br> century English explorer who admired them? | MEETLE, prompt on "insect" |
| 3a | Slightly smaller than the Chicxulub crater and located in Canada, <br> what is the third-largest known impact structure on earth? It formed a <br> much more recent 1.85 billion years ago and resulting metal deposits <br> have been heavily mined since. | SUK |
| 3b | Forgottonia is a name for a 16-county region in Illinois, referencing <br> inequities in funding for infrastructure and transportation, that was the <br> subject of a fictional secession movement in the 1970s. What Illinois <br> politician ran on these inequities in his successful 1982 House <br> campaign, leading to a long political career? | Basin |
| 4a | "This place is not a place of honor ... no highly esteemed deed is <br> commemorated here ... nothing valued is here" was part of a <br> proposed message from an expert panel at Sandia National <br> Laboratories in 1993 to deter future human exploration of what? | Dick DURBIN |
| 4b | Joe Louis suffered his first career loss in 1936 to what man, not to be <br> confused with German-American contender Max Baer? They notably <br> fought in a rematch with international attention in 1938, in which <br> Louis won with a second-round knockout. | (accept answers involving nuclear <br> facilities or radioactive storage) |


| Round 6 |  |  |
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| 1a | What neurodegenerative disease in humans, transmitted by prions, is abbreviated CJD? | CREUTZFELDT-JAKOB Disease |
| 1b | Drafted first overall in 2007 out of LSU, JaMarcus Russell started only 25 games before being released by what NFL team, widely cementing him as a prominent NFL draft bust? | OAKLAND RAIDERS (accept city or team, accept LAS VEGAS RAIDERS) |
| 2a | What recreational toy, dating back millennia but popularized in plastic form by Wham-O in 1958, consists of a ring that is rotated as a person exerts torque and upward force with their hips? | HULA HOOP |
| 2b | Katherine Graham took over as publisher of what newspaper in 1963? She greenlit the publishing of the Pentagon Papers, and was depicted by Meryl Streep in a 2017 film named after the paper. | WASHINGTON POST (prompt on THE POST) |
| 3а | Named for a group that included such artists as Eric Clapton and Billy Preston but credited to John Lennon as a solo record, Lennon released what album, co-produced by Phil Spector, in December 1970, which included the single "Mother" ? | John Lennon/PLASTIC ONO BAND |
| 3b | What is the richest country in the world in terms of GDP per capita, according to the World Bank, and is also the world's most densly populated country, as well as second smallest country of the world? | MONACO |
| 4a | Based on the burning of the titular distinctively-colored Kinkaku-ji holy site, what major Yukio Mishima novel sees an arsonist fail to commit suicide? | TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN PAVILION |
| 4b | Cousins Randy and Thomas Newman were both nominated for Best Original Score Oscars in 2019, for a Marriage Story and 1917, respectively, and both lost out to the score from the Joker, composed by what Icelandic woman? | Hildur GUơNADOTTIR (accept pronunciations of the first syllable similar to GWO, GOO, GOOD, and GOOTH; that "eth" character and its level of emphasis has led to a variety of English pronunciations in various media) |


| Round 7 |  |  |
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| 1 a | What fruit's English name is a loanword from the Cantonese meaning "golden orange?" | KUMQUAT |
| 1 b | The Second Triumvirate of Rome, forming in 43 BCE, was a formal and constituted alliance between three of Rome's most powerful men, and allies of the assassinated Julius Caesar: Marc Antony, Octavian, and what other general and statesman? | Marcus Aemilius LEPIDUS |
| 2a | From the Greek for "falling off", what is the term for programmed cell death? If not functioning properly, uncontrolled tumor growth can result. | APOPTOSIS |
| 2b | SeatGeek Stadium is the home stadium of what National Women's Soccer League team? | CHICAGO RED STARS (accept city or team) |
| 3 a | The well-known book And Tango Makes Three about two male penguins hatching an egg and raising the baby is based on a true story about the penguins at the zoo in what large green space in Manhattan? | CENTRAL PARK |
| 3b | The multiple Oscar winning and nominated film As Good as it Gets, features Jack Nicholson playing Melvin Udall, who has what psychiatric disorder commonly referred to by its acronym? He is also uncomfortably bigoted, which is not a symptom. | $\frac{\text { OBSESSIVE-COMPULSIVE }}{\text { Disorder (accept OCD) }}$ |
| 4 a | In musical notation, what is the name of the mark depicted as dot above or below a note, used to indicate that the note should be played at a shortened length, detached from other notes? | STACCATO |
| 4b | What capital of Vermont is the smallest state capital by population in the US? | MONTPELIER |

## Round 8

| 1a | What is Athol Fugard's only novel? A crime story about the young title <br> character, a film adaptation of this novel won a Best Foreign Film <br> Oscar. | TSOTSI (roughly "SO-tsee"; be <br> generous) |
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| 1b | The Arikaree River, sitting at an elevation of 3,317 ft in which US state, <br> is the highest state low point? | COLORADO |
| 2a | What 2022 single by Bebe Rexha and David Guetta interpolates the <br> 1998 song "Blue (Da Ba Dee)" by Eiffel 65? | l'M GOOD |
| 2b | The opening credits to Married...with Children begins with a shot of <br> what famous landmark in Chicago? | BUCKINGHAM FOUNTAIN |
| 3a | What French culinary term refers to finely chopped mushrooms and <br> other ingredients, sauteed and reduced to a paste, often used in Beef <br> Wellington? | DUXELLES |
| 3b | Named for a 19th century Governor General of Canada, what trophy is <br> awarded to the National Hockey League's playoff champion? | The STANLEY CUP |
| 4a | After the red giant phase, the sun will then shrink into a white type of <br> what small star? | White DWARF |
| 4b | Replacing the Golden Hind at Southend-on-Sea, later demolished in <br> 2013, was a replica of what flagship of Blackbeard named "Queen <br> Anne's" WHAT? | Queen Anne's REVENGE |

Round 9 - Play if needed for tiebreaker

| 1a | What state capital is combined with the city of Mandan, just across the <br> Missouri River, into a Metropolitan Statistical Area? | BISMARCK |
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| 1b | Now 45 years old in violation of his name, what rapper signed to Def <br> Jam and recorded "Let's Get It: Thug Motivation 101" in 2004? | Young JEEZY / Jay JENKINS |
| 2a | The Greek prefix meaning "under" appears in what scientific-method <br> word that used to refer to a summary of the plot of a classical drama, <br> but now has a very different, speculative meaning? | HYPOTHESIS |
| 2b | China was eliminated in the group stage of the Women's World Cup <br> ultimately by an opening 1-0 loss to what country, whose goal came <br> from legend Amalie Vangsgaard? | DENMARK |
| 3a | Brazil was eliminated in the group stage of the Women's World Cup <br> because of a 0-0 draw against what small Western Hemisphere <br> country, whose keeper Rebecca Spencer made 8 saves? | JAMAICA |
| 3b | What scientific-method word comes directly from Greek roots meaning <br> "up" and "loosening"? This word in modern usage refers to techniques <br> used to interpret data. | ANALYSIS |
| 4a | Now 40 years old in violation of his name, what rapper released "Tha <br> Block Is Hot" as a solo debut in 1999? | LIL WAYNE / Wayne CARTER |
| 4b | What state capital is combined with the city of Carlisle, just to the west, <br> into a Metropolitan Statistical Area? | HARRISBURG |

## Spare Questions

| 1 | What is the first word of the Emily Dickinson poem that ENDS "yet <br> never in Extremity - it asked a crumb of me"? | HOPE (is the thing with feathers) |
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| 2 | The word "soul" in Spanish is the same as what Latin term that means <br> "kind" or "nourishing" and appears in a commonly used Latin phrase? | ALMA |
| 3 | What alternative old name for Great Britain is the derivation of the word <br> for Scotland in most Gaelic languages? | ALBION |
| 4 | What city equidistant from Chicago and Detroit is the home of Western <br> Michigan University? | KALAMAZOO |

