



**ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE**  
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## Round 1

1a	What film composer and frequent collaborator with Kenneth Branagh wrote his first score for 1989's " <i>Henry the Fifth</i> "? He was later nominated for Oscars for Best Original Dramatic Score in 1995 and 1996 for " <i>Sense and Sensibility</i> " and " <i>Hamlet</i> ".	Patrick <b><u>DOYLE</u></b>
1b	What game by Vlaada Chvatil sees players giving hints to their partners in order to identify cards with words on them representing friendly spies? Don't find the assassin!	<b><u>CODENAMES</u></b>
2a	Named for its efficiency and speed, what general-purpose sorting algorithm chooses a pivot element and then sorts everything into lesser and greater, repeatedly?	<b><u>QUICK</u></b> sort
2b	What currency of the Maldives is pegged to the US dollar and permitted to float within a short range?	<b><u>RUFYAA</u></b>
3a	An employer might offer a SIMPLE IRA [eye-ar-ay]. SIMPLE stands for Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees. IRA stands for an Individual what, in this case?	Individual <b><u>RETIREMENT ACCOUNT</u></b>
3b	What US Navy ship exploded and sank in Havana Harbor in February 1898, lending its name to a phrase used by journalists to rally support for war?	USS <b><u>MAINE</u></b>
4a	At an October 5, 2018 auction by Sotheby's, what work by Jenny Saville sold for \$12.4 million, becoming the most expensive work sold by a living female artist at auction?	<b><u>PROPPED</u></b>
4b	Mid-series bonus sister Dawn on " <i>Buffy the Vampire Slayer</i> " was played by what actress? The role earned her three Saturn Award nominations.	Michelle <b><u>TRACHTENBERG</u></b>

**Round 2**

1a	What type of rocks are made from magma? They are named for the Latin word for "fiery."	<b><u>IGNEOUS</u></b>
1b	What city, the capital of Tuvalu, is home to about six thousand people, slightly more than half the population of the country?	<b><u>FUNAFUTI</u></b> [foo-nuh-FOO-tee]
2a	The husband-and-wife duo of Lux Interior and Poison Ivy were two of the founding members of what band that, in the 1970s, fused rockabilly and punk into a new genre called psychobilly?	The <b><u>CRAMPS</u></b>
2b	Named for Alan Gelfand, whose name was not Oliver, what basic skateboarding trick is essentially a jump?	<b><u>OLLIE</u></b>
3a	Of "The Four Gentlemen" of Chinese art, which celebrated flower represents spring? This flower is associated with virtue, elegance, and beauty.	<b><u>ORCHID</u></b>
3b	Though Eileen Brennan never hosted, <i>The Muppet Show</i> had as guest host what two other women from the lead cast of the movie <i>Clue</i> ?	Madeline <b><u>KAHN</u></b> and Lesley Ann <b><u>WARREN</u></b>
4a	One common way of splicing two wires together is to align the exposed wires in the same direction and then twist them around each other, like a twist tie sealing a bread bag. This splice is known by what name, which it shares with a hairstyle with a rodent-inspired name that often features a single braid downward from the back of the head?	<b><u>RAT TAIL</u></b> splice
4b	From the 10th to the 14th century, Byzantine emperors employed foreigners, primarily Scandinavians, as an elite imperial guards known by what name? The word comes from Old Norse meaning "sworn companion."	<b><u>VARANGIAN</u></b> Guard

**Round 3**

1a	What newspaper comic strip, featuring Rob Wilco and his cat and dog pets Bucky B. Katt and Satchel Pooch, ran from 1999 to 2019 and still appears in syndication?	<b><u>GET FUZZY</u></b>
1b	Giuseppe Tornatore set his film <i>Cinema Paradiso</i> on what island of his birth, off the toe of Italy's boot? This is the largest and most populous island in the Mediterranean.	<b><u>SICILY</u></b>
2a	The British equivalent to the Tony Awards are named for what legendary British actor, considered one of the greatest English-speaking actors? He was well known for his intense Shakespeare adaptations on both stage and screen, including <i>Henry V</i> , <i>Hamlet</i> , and <i>Richard III</i> ?	Laurence <b><u>OLIVIER</u></b>
2b	After Alexander the Great's death, what successor general with the epithet "One-Eyed" ruled over much of Macedonia? He established a dynasty that ruled Macedonia until its final collapse and absorption into Rome in 168 BCE.	<b><u>ANTIGONOUS</u></b> 1 Monophthalmus
3a	Vanilla Ice settled a copyright claim out of court after "Ice Ice Baby" used the bassline from what 1981 song?	<b><u>UNDER PRESSURE</u></b>
3b	A 177-mile footpath parallels Offa's Dyke, a historic earthwork named for a king of Mercia [MUR-shee-uh], that separates England from what country?	<b><u>WALES</u></b>
4a	<i>Physcomitrella patens</i> (FISS-co-mi-TRELL-a PAT-ens) is a model organism often used in biological studies of what kind of nonvascular plants?	<b><u>MOSS</u></b> / acc. <b><u>BRYOPHYTE</u></b> or <b><u>BRYOPHYTA</u></b>
4b	What US swimmer qualified for the 1960 Olympics at the age of 13, but couldn't compete in her signature 400-meter individual medley event since it had not been added to the Olympic program yet? In 1964 she dominated the 400 I.M. at the age of 17, and later went on to a longtime career as a sportscaster.	Donna <b><u>DE VARONA</u></b>

**Round 4**

1a	The Horror Writers Association sponsors annual awards recognizing superior achievement named after what author?	Bram <b><u>STOKER</u></b>
1b	What French activist and playwright wrote the <i>Declaration of the Rights of Women and of the Female Citizen</i> in 1791 in response to the gaps she identified in the revolutionary <i>Declaration of the Rights of Men and of the Citizen</i> ? As a result of this and other political writing, she was executed during the Reign of Terror.	Olympe de <b><u>GOUGES</u></b>
2a	In 2019, the website Deadspin lost all of its writers and editors in mass resignations after Barry Petchesky, the site's interim editor-in-chief, was fired for defying a mandate to do what three-word phrase?	<b><u>STICK TO SPORTS</u></b>
2b	A better musician than actor, Harry Connick Jr. played pilot Jimmy Wilder, the best friend whose death is avenged by Will Smith in what movie?	<b><u>INDEPENDENCE DAY</u></b>
3a	Submarine sonar cannot hear about 60 degrees directly aft because of the need to insulate the sonar array from the propeller sounds. What is the name of the "blind spot" created by this phenomenon?	<b><u>BAFFLES</u></b> (usually plural, but used singularly as an adjective like "baffle area"; accept either)
3b	Often delivered "out of nowhere," the RKO is the finisher of what third-generation WWE star with the initials RKO?	Randal Keith "Randy" <b><u>ORTON</u></b>
4a	"Vampire", the lead single from an upcoming album titled <i>Guts</i> , recently charted number one on the Billboard Hot 100 dethroning Morgan Wallen's "Last Night." Which artist, known for her debut single "Driver's License," recorded this song?	Olivia <b><u>RODRIGO</u></b>
4b	Lake Itasca in Minnesota is the headwater of what second-longest river in the United States, that terminates in a delta near New Orleans?	<b><u>MISSISSIPPI</u></b> River

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**Round 5**

1a	The French equivalent to the Tony Awards are named for what revered 17th century French playwright, considered one the greatest French writers, with his play <i>Tartuffe</i> performed annually by the Comédie-Française theater?	<b><u>MOLIÈRE</u></b>
1b	After Alexander the Great's death, what successor general with the epithet "the Victorious" created a dynasty that ruled over much of West Asia and the Near East before its final collapse and absorption into Rome in 63 BCE?	<b><u>SELEUCUS</u> 1 Nicator</b>
2a	What ongoing newspaper comic strip, featuring the namesake school janitor and precocious student Caulfield, launched in 2001 and has been noted as a spiritual successor to Calvin & Hobbes?	<b><u>FRAZZ</u></b>
2b	<i>Zorba the Greek</i> was set on what island, the largest in Greece and home to the early Minoan civilization? This is the home island of the novel's author Nikos Kazantzakis.	<b><u>CRETE</u></b>
3a	Rick Ross lost a lawsuit over the claim that "everyday I'm hustlin'" was infringed upon by what duo, who notably proclaimed that "everyday I'm shufflin'" in their 2011 song "Party Rock Anthem"?	<b><u>LMFAO</u></b>
3b	An 84-mile footpath from Wallsend in the east to Bowness-on-Solway in the west is a National Trail in England named for what nearby historic feature?	<b><u>HADRIAN'S WALL</u></b>
4a	<i>Caenorhabditis elegans</i> (cay-no-RAB-ditt-iss) is a model organism often used in biological studies of what invertebrate phylum?	<b><u>NEMATODA / NEMATODES</u></b> (acc. <b><u>ROUNDWORMS</u></b> but prompt on "worms")
4b	The first woman since Shirley Babashoff to qualify for 4 different individual Olympic events, what 1992 Olympic gold medalist in the 200-meter butterfly went on to a long sportscasting career largely with NBC?	Summer <b><u>SANDERS</u></b>

**Round 6**

1a	Punk music influenced another genre in the 1970s, giving rise to what was titled N.W.O.B.H.M. in a 1979 article. NWOBHM, notable for bands such as Def Leppard or Iron Maiden, stands for what six-word phrase?	<b><u>NEW WAVE OF BRITISH HEAVY METAL</u></b>
1b	Named for what it does to your trucks when you ride a curb and not because of hustle culture, what basic skateboarding trick involves ollieing onto a surface and sliding down or across it?	<b><u>GRIND</u></b>
2a	When magma is extruded from a volcano and enters the earth's surface, it becomes known as what substance?	<b><u>LAVA</u></b>
2b	In 2006, Palau moved its capital from Koror City to what city, which is now the least-populated capital city in the world?	<b><u>NGERLMUD</u></b> [nuh GUR uhl muhd]
3a	Of "The Four Gentlemen" of Chinese art, which celebrated flower represents winter, and is also considered a harbinger of spring? This flower is associated with perseverance and hope.	<b><u>PLUM</u></b> blossom
3b	During its first season, <i>The Muppet Show</i> was hosted by both women who eventually played the matriarch role on <i>The Hogan Family</i> . Name both actresses.	Sandy <b><u>DUNCAN</u></b> and Valerie <b><u>HARPER</u></b>
4a	A stronger way to join two cables is with what splice that tightens under tension, named for a telegraph company that now primarily handles money transfers?	<b><u>WESTERN UNION</u></b> splice
4b	From the 14th to the 19th century, Ottoman sultans employed what military retinue, originally made up of children forcibly recruited and enslaved? This became an elite infantry force before it was disbanded centuries later in modernization efforts.	<b><u>JANISSARIES</u></b>



**Round 7**

1a	Named for the way larger elements move to the top of the list like air, what algorithm repeatedly compares elements in a list and swaps them until no swaps are needed?	<b><u>BUBBLE</u></b> sort
1b	What currency of Eritrea is pegged to the US dollar at a fixed exchange of fifteen of this currency to one US dollar?	<b><u>NAKFA</u></b>
2a	What film composer wrote his first score for 1979's <i>The Lady in Red</i> ? He was later nominated for multiple Oscars for scoring, and won both Best Original Dramatic Score and Best Original Song in 1998.	James <b><u>HORNER</u></b>
2b	What game featuring the beautiful illustrations of Marie Cardouat sees players giving hints to identify one of several whimsical pictures? It won the 2010 Spiel des Jahres.	<b><u>DIXIT</u></b>
3a	Individual Retirement Accounts that are funded with after-tax dollars and allow for tax-free growth and withdrawals are named after what Republican senator from Delaware, who sponsored legislation in 1997 allowing these plans?	William <b><u>ROTH</u></b>
3b	The First United States Volunteer Cavalry, a regiment famously led by Lieutenant Colonel Theodore Roosevelt in the Spanish-American War, was known by what nickname?	<b><u>ROUGH RIDERS</u></b>
4a	At a May 19, 2023, auction by Sotheby's, what over 10ft high sculpture by Louise Bourgeois, though not as tall as a different 30ft piece, sold for \$32.8 million, setting the record for the most expensive sculpture sold by a woman?	<b><u>SPIDER</u></b>
4b	Mid-series bonus son Connor on <i>Angel</i> was played by what actor, who would receive a more acclaimed role as Pete Campbell on <i>Mad Men</i> ?	Vincent <b><u>KARTHEISER</u></b>

**Round 8**

1a	In 2020, many of the former writers and editors from Deadspin reunited to form what collectively owned sports blog and media company?	<b><u>DEFECTOR</u></b>
1b	Harry Connick Jr.'s first role as a leading man was in <i>Hope Floats</i> opposite what actress, who acted in a poorly received action sequel in order to fund this film?	Sandra <b><u>BULLOCK</u></b>
2a	The Mystery Writers of America sponsors annual awards named after what author?	Edgar Allen <b><u>POE</u></b> (prompt on EDGAR)
2b	What French writer and president of the Society of Revolutionary Republic Women advocated before the National Assembly in 1791 to permit women to bear arms in a militia for their own defense? As a result of this and other radical activity, she and her husband were arrested and imprisoned.	Pauline <b><u>LÉON</u></b>
3a	What adjective refers to submarine sonar that operates by sending out "pings" and listening for their return? This can reveal the submarine's position to the enemy.	<b><u>ACTIVE</u></b> sonar (as opposed to "passive")
3b	Often delivered after the signature "Bang!" taunt, the Diamond Cutter is nearly identical to the RKO and is the finisher of what retired wrestler and yoga instructor who made his name in WCW in the 1990s?	Diamond Dallas <b><u>PAGE</u></b> / acc. <b><u>DDP</u></b>
4a	What 1994 song by Mariah Carey was the Billboard Hot 100 number one song the first week of this year, something it also achieved in 2022, 2021, and 2020?	<b><u>ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS YOU</u></b>
4b	Brower's Spring in Montana is the headwater of what river, the longest in the United States?	<b><u>MISSOURI</u></b> River

**Spare Questions**

1	What is the last name of Dominic, a scriptwriter and creator of the popular British TV series <i>Doc Martin</i> and <i>Robin Hood</i> ? His late brother's last film was <i>The Reader</i> ?	<b><u>MINGHELLA</u></b>
2	What red-bearded baseball player appropriately adopted Augustana's song "Boston" as his 2023 walkup music, including the lyrics "get out of California"?	Justin <b><u>TURNER</u></b>
3	Named for a city in the Netherlands, what extremely famous Upper Manhattan neighborhood extends from Central Park North at 110 <sup>th</sup> up to 155 <sup>th</sup> street?	<b><u>HARLEM</u></b>
4	Darden Restaurants, which once held Red Lobster and still runs Olive Garden among other chains, was originally part of what food company whose products include Cheerios?	<b><u>GENERAL MILLS</u></b>