



**ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE**  
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## Round 1

1a	In December 1776, what general, and later President, led the Continental Army across the Delaware River, resulting in decisive defeats of the British forces led by Lord Cornwallis a week later?	George <b><u>WASHINGTON</u></b>
1b	Semi-professional basketball player and shoe salesman Chuck Taylor is best known as the namesake for the wildly popular sneaker model made by what brand that has been a subsidiary of Nike since 2003?	<b><u>CONVERSE</u></b> (prompt on ALL-STARS)
2a	What German chemist received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1918 for his work in synthesizing ammonia? His research allowed easy mass-production of fertilizer allowing for significantly increased agricultural output.	Fritz <b><u>HABER</u></b>
2b	Named for a 19th-century Catalan entrepreneur and designed by architect Antoni Gaudi, what privately owned city park of Barcelona includes a mosaic lizard known as "el Drac" that has become a symbol of the city?	Park <b><u>GÜELL</u></b>
3a	Inspired by the controlling nature of addiction, the 1989 song "Toy Soldiers" is the only number-one hit by what one-named pop singer?	<b><u>MARTIKA</u></b>
3b	<i>Anabasis</i> , a work often used by entry-level Greek students, is a tale of ten thousand Greek soldiers crossing hostile territory, written by whom?	<b><u>XENOPHON</u></b>
4a	Which creator, writer, and actress behind the Hulu hit <i>PEN15</i> is set to star alongside Donald Glover later this year on a Prime Video TV adaptation of the 2005 film <i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Smith</i> ?	Maya <b><u>ERSKINE</u></b>
4b	What popular stadium food is also a slang term in baseball for showboating, typically following a homerun?	<b><u>HOT DOG</u></b> or <b><u>HOT-DOGGING</u></b>

**Round 2**

1a	Bounded between the Pacific plate and the South American plate is what small tectonic plate, named for a nearby region of Peru? Its subduction under the South American plate caused the creation of the Andes mountains.	<b><u>NAZCA</u></b> plate
1b	Signaled by the referee striking a clenched fist of one hand to the open palm of another, what hockey penalty results from a player dangerously checking, tripping, or pushing an opponent into the walls of the rink?	<b><u>BOARDING</u></b>
2a	Professor of Poverty Alleviation and Development Economics and co-author of the book <i>Poor Economics: A Radical Rethinking of the Way to Fight Global Poverty</i> , who is the most recent woman to win the Nobel Prize in Economics in 2019?	Ester <b><u>DUFLO</u></b> (accept Banerjee)
2b	Called "the greatest American architect of all time," by the American Institute of Architects, what Wisconsin-born architect pioneered the Prairie School style of architecture, designing buildings for over seventy years?	Frank Lloyd <b><u>WRIGHT</u></b>
3a	What eight-word phrase does Rhett Butler say before walking off into the mist when Scarlett asks him where she will go and what she will do at the end of 1939's <i>Gone with the Wind</i> ?	<b><u>"FRANKLY, MY DEAR, I DON'T GIVE A DAMN"</u></b>
3b	Since the late Middle Ages, "Leuchtenstadt" [LOIK-ten-shtatt], literally "city of lights," has been used as a name for what Swiss city, which is appropriate since its name comes from the Latin for "lamp"?	<b><u>LUCERNE</u></b> (accept "Luzern" or "Lucerna")
4a	Currently underway, what is the name of the Taylor Swift tour credited with "breaking Ticketmaster" in November 2022, with more than two million tickets sold via presale in a single day?	The <b><u>ERAS</u></b> Tour
4b	In 2021, what New Jersey-born model, aged 20 at the time, shared the cover of U.S. <i>Vogue</i> with seven others for its "Generation America" issue, becoming the first openly transgender model to make the magazine's cover? She is also the first trans model to walk the runway for designer Calvin Klein.	Ariel <b><u>NICHOLSON</u></b>

**Round 3**

1a	Which two-and-a-half-hour jazz oratorio won Wynton Marsalis the Pulitzer Prize for Music in 1997, becoming the first jazz piece to ever do so? The piece was commissioned by Lincoln Center who specifically wanted a piece about slavery and its aftermath in the United States.	<b><u>BLOOD ON THE FIELDS</u></b>
1b	Beloved of serious hikers, what 211-mile-long trail winds through the Sierra Nevada from the Yosemite Valley to Mount Whitney, passing through the Ansel Adams Wilderness, Kings Canyon, and Sequoia National Park along the way?	John <b><u>MUIR</u></b> Trail
2a	What British-Indian film director directed 2004's <i>Bride and Prejudice</i> and 2010's <i>It's A Wonderful Afterlife</i> ?	Gurinder <b><u>CHADHA</u></b>
2b	In April 2023, CEO Jonah Peretti announced that what online media company would lay off 15% of its staff and shut down its news section, which won a Pulitzer Prize in 2021 for its series on Chinese detention of Muslims in Xinjiang [SHIN-jaang]?	<b><u>BUZZFEED</u></b>
3a	May 22, 1455, marked the Battle of St. Albans, the first battle of the Wars of the Roses, a multi-decade civil war between what two rival branches of the House Plantagenet?	<b><u>YORK</u></b> and <b><u>LANCASTER</u></b>
3b	In poker, the phrase "BLANK up" refers to the mandatory bet that all players must make before a hand begins. What word fills in the blank?	<b><u>ANTE</u></b>
4a	Wolfram was the original name for what chemical element, which as a result has the unintuitive symbol of W?	<b><u>TUNGSTEN</u></b>
4b	What is the Japanese term for the artistic practice of repairing broken ceramics with a mixture of lacquer and powdered precious metal, usually gold? This appeared twice in the final season of Ted Lasso.	<b><u>KINTSUGI</u></b>

**Round 4**

1a	Which Coen Brothers film is named after the fictional book from Preston Sturges' 1941 comic masterpiece <i>Sullivan's Travels</i> ? The film director character in <i>Sullivan's Travels</i> wants to film this book about the hardships of the Great Depression and turn it into a movie.	<b><u>O BROTHER, WHERE ART THOU?</u></b>
1b	What choreographer and dancer, one of the early pioneers of modern dance, died tragically at the age of 50 when her scarf was tangled in the axle of her car?	Isadora <b><u>DUNCAN</u></b>
2a	Which band, named after a European capital city, performed "Take My Breath Away", the love theme to the 1986 film <i>Top Gun</i> ?	<b><u>BERLIN</u></b>
2b	What hall of fame wide receiver for the Seattle Seahawks, inducted in 1995, represented Oklahoma's 1st congressional district in the US House of Representatives from 1994 to 2002 and was the Republican nominee for the Oklahoma gubernatorial election in 2002?	Steve <b><u>LARGENT</u></b>
3a	Evidence for dark matter, in the form of the observed speed of stars at the edge of galactic rotation not matching the expected speed based on observable matter, was provided by what American astronomer who died in 2016?	Vera <b><u>RUBIN</u></b>
3b	What Californian hot sauce featuring a man in a sombrero on its label is named for the perhaps surprising demonym of someone from Guadalajara? Hint: this word has no Gs, Ds, Ls, Js or Rs.	<b><u>TAPATÍO</u></b>
4a	Formerly known as French Somaliland and then the French Territory of the Afars and the Issas, what small country in East Africa was renamed in 1977 after gaining independence?	<b><u>DJIBOUTI</u></b> [jih-BOO-tee]
4b	What country provided many of the iconic locations for filming the <i>Lord of the Rings</i> trilogy, including the sheer-sided Mount Sunday as the city of Eodoras and the town of Matamata as Hobbiton, where visitors can still check out Hobbit homes in the Shire?	<b><u>NEW ZEALAND</u></b>

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**Round 5**

1a	Formerly known as Southern Rhodesia and then Rhodesia, what landlocked country in Southern Africa was renamed in 1980 after gaining independence?	<b><u>ZIMBABWE</u></b>
1b	What choreographer and dancer, a luminary in 20th and 21st century dance, created the dance musical <i>Movin' Out</i> in 2002 for which she won the Tony Award for Best Choreography?	Twyla <b><u>THARP</u></b>
2a	What two words follow "After all, tomorrow is..." at the very end of <i>Gone with the Wind</i> when Scarlett decides not to abandon all hope and look positively at the future?	<b><u>ANOTHER DAY</u></b>
2b	The Red Keep, Qarth, and Blackwater Bay are just a few of the fictional locations on <i>Game of Thrones</i> that were filmed in the town of Dubrovnik, located in what country?	<b><u>CROATIA</u></b>
3a	In December 2022, a Ticketmaster snafu caused hundreds of fans to be denied entry to a Mexico City concert given by what Latin-trap singer of the hits "I Like It" and "Tití Me Preguntó"?	<b><u>BAD BUNNY</u></b> (accept Benito Antonio Martinez <b><u>OCASIO</u></b> )
3b	What hall of fame wide receiver for the Pittsburgh Steelers, inducted in 2001, was appointed by President George W. Bush in 2002 as chairman of the United States President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports and was the Republican nominee for the Pennsylvania gubernatorial election in 2006?	Lynn <b><u>SWANN</u></b>
4a	Cepheid [SEE-fee-id] variable stars were studied by what American astronomer in the early 20th century, allowing for identification of "standard candles" without which Edwin Hubble could not have identified the expansion of the universe?	Henrietta Swan <b><u>LEAVITT</u></b>
4b	What hot sauce brand that features a cowboy with a lasso in his hand on the label is basically named as a marketing trick, since it is made in North Carolina and was developed by an entrepreneur named Sam Garner with his sons Thad, Ralph, and Harold?	<b><u>TEXAS PETE</u></b>

**Round 6**

1a	The 2020 Pulitzer Prize for Music went to composer Anthony Davis for an opera based around which titular quintet?	<b><u>CENTRAL PARK FIVE</u></b>
1b	Tennis player Stan Smith is best known as the namesake for the sneaker model made by what German company, which replaces its usual three stripes with three rows of perforations on the Stan Smith model?	<b><u>ADIDAS</u></b>
2a	Norman Borlaug received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1970 for his work in developing a disease-resistant strain of wheat, accelerating the use of high-yield crops known broadly as the Third Agricultural Revolution, or by what shorter designation?	<b><u>GREEN REVOLUTION</u></b>
2b	What warm spice, commonly used in mulled wine and eggnog, is also used as a term in soccer, hockey, and other sports to describe intentionally pushing the ball or puck through an opponent's legs?	<b><u>NUTMEG</u></b>
3a	In January 49 BCE, what general, and later dictator led his forces across the Rubicon River, sparking a civil war with Pompey?	Gaius Julius <b><u>CAESAR</u></b>
3b	Named for the palace built by Marie de Medici that is home to the French Senate, what gardens cover over 50 acres in Paris and appeared prominently in Les Misérables?	<b><u>LUXEMBOURG</u></b> Garden (Jardin du <b><u>LUXEMBOURG</u></b> )
4a	Which of India's most acclaimed filmmakers directed 1988's <i>Salaam Bombay!</i> and 2001's <i>Monsoon Wedding</i> ?	Mira <b><u>NAIR</u></b>
4b	Julius Caesar's <i>Commentarii de Bello Gallico</i> , often used as an entry-level Latin text, is a primary source about what Gallic chieftain who was defeated at the battle of Alesia?	<b><u>VERCINGETORIX</u></b> [VUR-sin-JET-uh-riks]



**Round 7**

1a	The film <i>O Brother, Where Art Thou?</i> is, itself, based on a famous work of literature; John Goodman's one-eyed character is a clever nod to one of this story's notable antagonists. On which classic work of literature is the film based?	The <b><u>ODYSSEY</u></b>
1b	Signaled by the referee rotating their clenched fists around one another, what hockey penalty results from a player traveling an excessive distance or taking more than two strides to gain acceleration to check an opponent?	<b><u>CHARGING</u></b>
2a	CEO of the Filipino online news website Rappler and outspoken critic of the abuses of power, corruption, and authoritarianism of the Duterte regime, who is the most recent woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize in 2021?	Maria <b><u>RESSA</u></b> [acc. Maria Angelita Delfin <b><u>AYCARDIO</u></b> ]
2b	In 2019, what Brazilian model became the first openly transgender woman to walk in the Victoria's Secret fashion show? The following year, she became the first openly trans model to be featured in <i>Sports Illustrated's</i> swimsuit issue.	Valentina <b><u>SAMPAIO</u></b>
3a	Between the Eurasian plate and the Philippine Sea plate is what small tectonic plate, named for a nearby river? The thrust fault between it and the Eurasian plate was the site of a 2008 earthquake that resulted in nearly 90,000 deaths.	<b><u>YANGTZE</u></b> plate
3b	One of Frank Lloyd Wright's most famous buildings is what art museum on the Upper East Side of Manhattan, named for a business magnate and art collector?	Solomon R. <b><u>GUGGENHEIM</u></b> Museum
4a	Which pop singer, taking her name from a "Radio" Queen song, performed "Hold My Hand," the love theme to the 2022 film <i>Top Gun: Maverick</i> ?	<b><u>LADY GAGA</u></b>
4b	What Australian city acquired the nickname "City of Light" in 1962, when residents and businesses turned on their lights at night during the Friendship 7 spacecraft orbit? As a result, astronaut John Glenn clearly observed the city from space.	<b><u>PERTH</u></b>

**Round 8**

1a	Hydrargyrum was an early name for what chemical element, which as a result has the unintuitive symbol of Hg?	<b><u>MERCURY</u></b>
1b	What 8-mile trail, named in contrast to the nearby "Dirty Devil" stream, starts at the Grand Canyon's South Rim in Arizona and is the most popular trail for hikers to go from the top to the bottom of the canyon?	<b><u>BRIGHT ANGEL</u></b> Trail
2a	What rapper sampled Martika's "Toy Soldiers" on his 2005 top-40 hit "Like Toy Soldiers," which is about feuds between rappers?	<b><u>EMINEM</u></b>
2b	What is the rhyming two-word Japanese term for the philosophical acceptance and celebration of beauty in what is flawed or impermanent, such as pottery with a crack in it or an arrangement in a zen garden?	<b><u>WABI-SABI</u></b>
3a	Which actress was originally slated to appear in the upcoming Prime Video <i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Smith</i> adaptation before leaving the project on amicable terms?	Phoebe <b><u>WALLER-BRIDGE</u></b>
3b	In April 2023, co-CEOs Bruce Dixon and Hozefa Lokhandwala announced that what online media company would be making broad structural changes and canceling its acclaimed weekly news broadcast, "[REDACTED] News Tonight"?	<b><u>VICE</u></b>
4a	August 22, 1485, marked the Battle of Bosworth Field, the final battle of the Wars of the Roses, resulting in the death of Richard III and the beginning of what ruling house?	<b><u>TUDOR</u></b>
4b	In poker, what is the term for giving up your hand and making no further bets, forfeiting a chance to win the pot?	<b><u>FOLDing</u></b>

**Spare Questions**

1	Controversial in use now, the word "Ebonics" was coined in the 1970s by what Washington University in St. Louis professor who also developed the Black Intelligence Test of Cultural Homogeneity and was a strong critic of race biases in IQ testing?	Robert Lee <b><u>WILLIAMS II</u></b>
2	Michael Kittredge of South Hadley, Massachusetts's first creation, "Christmas 1969," was made from melted crayons and was the genesis of what now-nationwide brand?	<b><u>YANKEE</u></b> Candle
3	Danica Roem was the first openly transgender person to win an election and be seated in a state legislature, in the Trump-backlash-heavy 2017 election in what state?	<b><u>VIRGINIA</u></b>
4	<i>Coleoptera</i> , meaning sheath-wing, is the name given to the large taxonomic order containing animals by what common name?	<b><u>BEETLES</u></b>