



ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE
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MATCH #4

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Round 1

1a	"Solved" by Alexander the Great by using his sword to cut through it, what legendary tangle of threads was said to predict who would rule all of Asia based on who could unravel it?	<u>GORDIAN KNOT</u>
1b	Fattoush, the popular Mediterranean and Levantine salad, is predominantly made of mixed greens, assorted veggies, stale flatbread, and a "molasses" (really, just a reduced juice) made from which fruit?	<u>POMEGRANATE</u>
2a	Charles Kao won the Nobel Prize in Physics in 2009 for his work developing what system of high-speed data transmission using light?	<u>FIBER OPTICS (optical fibers)</u>
2b	In which future U.S. state did the fictional, theatrical characters Curly, Laurey, and Jud sing songs like "Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin'" and "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top"?	<u>OKLAHOMA!</u>
3a	Kisses, toast, and fries are all things that Americans associate with what nationality?	<u>FRENCH (France)</u>
3b	The first time the World Series ended in a homerun occurred in 1960, with a Game 7 homerun by whom?	Bill <u>MAZEROSKI</u>
4a	What Danish-Norwegian dance-pop act had a hit with Barbie Girl in 1997?	<u>AQUA</u>
4b	Maya Erskine and Anna Konkle star in what bawdy adolescent Hulu series with an alphanumerically naughty name?	<u>PEN15</u>

Round 2

1a	Kirk Hammett replaced what guitarist who was fired from Metallica, though this guitarist went on to have success in another band?	Dave <u>MUSTAINE</u>
1b	Movie Math: Add together the numbers in the titles of the movies that garnered a Best Actor Oscar nomination for Jonathan Pryce in 2019 and William Holden in 1953.	<u>19 (The Two Popes and Stalag 17)</u>
2a	What is France's second largest city, where its largest port is located?	<u>MARSEILLES</u>
2b	What British diver has four Olympic medals, three bronze and one gold, with the gold coming in the men's synchronized 10-meter platform at the 2020 games?	Tom <u>DALEY</u>
3a	What Australian marsupial is known for its cubic droppings? Scientists think they developed cube poops in order to stack them for communication purposes.	<u>WOMBATS</u>
3b	Which best selling author, a Jewish writer from Newark, is known for the Myron Bolitar series about the titular sports agent? He was fraternity brothers with Dan Brown in college, and he has had a <i>New York Times</i> number one best seller every year since 2019.	Harlan <u>COBEN</u>
4a	What politician, who represents parts of the Bronx and northern Queens in the U.S. House of Representatives, is an original member of the group of progressives known as "The Squad"?	Alexandria <u>OCASIO-CORTEZ / AOC</u>
4b	The apostle Paul was a big fan of persecuting early Christians until he was notably converted on the road to which ancient city that still exists and holds capital importance today?	<u>DAMASCUS</u>

Round 3

1a	What is the name for packets of data stored by a website on a computer? It sounds like something delicious you would definitely want to accept.	<u>COOKIES</u>
1b	In the 2023 edition of what board game will you find the characters Mayor Green, Chef White, and Solicitor Peacock?	<u>CLUE</u> (accept Cluedo)
2a	A 1793 painting by Jacques-Louis David immortalizes the assassination in his bathtub by Charlotte Corday of what French revolutionary?	Jean-Paul <u>MARAT</u>
2b	In the cult classic film Rocky Horror Picture Show, what is the colorful name of the maid played by Patricia Quinn?	<u>MAGENTA</u>
3a	Opening the climactic concert scene of <i>The Blues Brothers</i> , Cab Calloway himself performs what famous jazz-scat song, which he first recorded in 1931?	<u>MINNIE THE MOOCHER</u>
3b	In 1921, Converse was petitioned by which of their salesman, a former semi-pro basketball player, to make shoes for the sport that offered more flexibility and support? In an ironic twist, these shoes, even to this day, are known for their lack of cushioning and arch support.	Chuck <u>TAYLOR</u>
4a	The French Concession, People's Square, and The Bund are a few of the names (in English) of neighborhoods and areas in what major world city?	<u>SHANGHAI</u>
4b	What is the title of the iconic photograph Steve McCurry, a freelance photojournalist, captured in 1984? The subject of the photo was not identified until 2002.	<u>AFGHAN GIRL</u> (real name Sharbat Gula)

Round 4

1a	According to the US Postal Service, what is the most common town name in the US? Most were named after a founding father, but we can pretend they were named for the Queen of Soul.	<u>FRANKLIN</u>
1b	Which early Black comic book character, who has appeared in film adaptations, made his debut in 1973's <i>The Tomb of Dracula</i> ? It wasn't until the following year that he would get his own solo stories.	Frank <u>BLADE</u> (accept Eric Cross BROOKS)
2a	What British musician has albums titled after ages when they were recorded, including 19, 21, 25, and 30?	<u>ADELE</u>
2b	Created in 2007, which fitness company with a spacey name focuses on products that combines traditional practices like yoga and pilates with aerial silk suspension?	<u>ANTIGRAVITY</u> Fitness
3a	What Tagalog word is used in the Philippines to refer to a gender-nonconforming person, specifically one assigned male or intersex at birth who has adopted female gender expression? The term can be misapplied to trans women.	<u>BAKLA</u> (accept local equivalents <u>AGI</u> or <u>BAYOT</u>)
3b	What is the avian name of NBC's streaming service?	<u>PEACOCK</u>
4a	Also known as the auditory or pharyngotympanic tube, what part of the inner ear has a name that refers to the 16th century Italian anatomist who first described it?	<u>EUSTACHIAN</u> Tube
4b	Jackie Joyner-Kersey holds the world record for what event with 7291 points, set at the 1988 Olympics?	<u>HEPTATHLON</u>

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Round 5

1a	Also known as the oviducts or salpinges, what part of the reproductive system has a name referring to the 16th century Italian anatomist who first described it?	<u>FALLOPIAN</u> Tube
1b	Florence Griffith Joyner holds the world record for what event with a time of 21.34 seconds, set at the 1988 Olympics?	<u>200</u> Meters dash
2a	Ovens (well, pots), dates, and camera angles are all things that Americans associate with what nationality?	<u>DUTCH (Holland, Netherlands)</u>
2b	Created in 2016 by an Israel-Australian physiotherapist, which indoor training regimen with a spacey name focuses on elastic band workouts that can be attached to a door, pole, beam, or hook?	<u>MOONRUN</u>
3a	In Zapotec cultures of Oaxaca, Mexico, what word refers to gender-nonconforming people who embody characteristics of both men and women?	<u>MUXE</u> (MOO-cheh)
3b	In which two-word geographical area of the world did the fictional, theatrical characters Nellie Forbush, Emile de Becque, and Bloody Mary sing songs like "Bali Ha'i" and "Some Enchanted Evening"?	The <u>SOUTH PACIFIC</u>
4a	Sampling Aqua's hit, ICE Spice along with what very famous Trinidadian rapper recorded Barbie World for the Barbie movie soundtrack?	Nicki <u>MINAJ</u>
4b	After meeting in improv classes, Abbi Jacobson and Ilana Glazer starred in what bawdy Comedy Central series?	<u>BROAD CITY</u>

Round 6

1a	According to the US Postal Service, what is the second most common town name in the US? Most were named after a founding father and the first vice president to die in office, but we can pretend they're named after the legendary front man of Parliament/Funkadelic of the same name.	<u>CLINTON</u>
1b	Starting in 1971 and designed after Sidney Poitier, John Stewart took over the mantle of which superhero? His creators said that they wanted the next incarnation of the hero to be Black "not because we're liberals but because it just makes sense" given the racial makeup of the world's population.	<u>GREEN LANTERN</u>
2a	The 2017 Nobel Prize in Physics went to three Japanese physicists for the invention of what semiconductor device?	<u>LIGHT EMITTING DIODE / LED</u>
2b	What is the mononymous name of HBO's streaming service?	<u>MAX</u>
3a	What British musician has albums named after mathematical operators including + (plus sign), - (minus sign) and = (equal sign)?	Ed <u>SHEERAN</u>
3b	The second time the World Series ended in a homerun occurred in 1993, with a Game 6 homerun by whom?	Joe <u>CARTER</u>
4a	In a likely apocryphal story, a courtier exchanges places with King Dionysius for a day, with what sharp object hanging by a thread over his head to remind him of the perils of kingship?	<u>SWORD OF DAMOCLES</u>
4b	The Mediterranean and Levantine staple dish tabbouleh is predominantly made of parsley and which cracked wheat foodstuff?	<u>BULGUR</u>

Round 7

1a	Matt Skiba replaced what vocalist and guitarist of Blink 182 in 2015, though this member returned to the band in 2022?	Tom <u>DELONGE</u>
1b	Movie Math: Add together the numbers in the titles of the movies that garnered a Best Actress Oscar nomination Naomi Watts in 2003 and Elizabeth Taylor in 1960.	<u>29 (21 Grams and Butterfield 8)</u>
2a	An 1833 painting by Paul Delaroche immortalizes the execution, which happened nearly two centuries prior, of what Englishwoman sometimes referred to as the "Nine Days' Queen"?	Lady Jane <u>GREY</u>
2b	Which best-selling author, a converted Jewish writer from Kalamazoo, is known for Gabriel Allon series of spy fiction novels? He's a frequent name on the <i>New York Times</i> Best Sellers list, and he converted to Judaism after marrying CNN correspondent Jamie Gangel.	Daniel <u>SILVA</u>
3a	What is Germany's second largest city and largest port?	<u>HAMBURG</u>
3b	What term, generally officially given to an outstanding player during a season, is the name for Converse's signature Chuck Taylor shoe style? This is further bolstered by the shoe's famous logo.	<u>ALL-STARs</u>
4a	What is the name for the web design navigation element that helps a user see the structure of the website? It sounds like a food item used by Hansel and Gretel.	<u>BREADCRUMBS</u>
4b	Since May 2022, tokens for what game include a penguin, rubber ducky, and cat? You can still be the car and the dog.	<u>MONOPOLY</u>

Round 8

1a	"The Squad" of progressive Democrats also includes what Minneapolis representative, the first Somali-American and first naturalized African-born citizen to serve in Congress?	Ilhan <u>OMAR</u>
1b	Which two biblical cities, usually always paired together when talked about, make up 40% of the "cities of the plain" alongside Admah, Zeboiim, and Zobar? These cities are closely associated with the story of Lot, and a bunch of BS about gay people.	<u>SODOM & GOMORRAH</u> (accept in either order)
2a	During the climactic concert scene of <i>The Blues Brothers</i> , Jake and Elwood aptly make their escape to what blues standard recorded by Robert Johnson in 1936 and Magic Sam in 1967?	<u>SWEET HOME CHICAGO</u>
2b	What American diver has five Olympic medals, one silver and four gold, with the golds coming in the 1984 and 1988 games where he swept the individual men's events?	Greg <u>LOUGANIS</u>
3a	What group of scavenger birds has unusual adaptations for thermoregulation including a bald head and defecating on its legs?	<u>VULTURES</u>
3b	In the cult classic film <i>Rocky Horror Picture Show</i> , what is the geographical name of the character in a gold top hat played by Little Nell?	<u>COLUMBIA</u>
4a	Causeway Bay, TST, Jordan, and Mid-Levels are a few of the names of neighborhoods in what major world city?	<u>HONG KONG</u>
4b	Just months after receiving a Pulitzer Prize for photographing the 1993 famine in Sudan (including the iconic photo <i>The Vulture and the Little Girl</i>), which photographer took his own life?	Kevin <u>CARTER</u>