Questions set by OQL USA Setting Team For use in matches for OQL-USA beginning March 19, 2024

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## Round 1

| 1a | What is the first name of Victoria and David Beckham's eldest son? He <br> shares his name with a New York borough. | BROOKLYN |
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| 1b | Which soccer player, along with Michelle Akers, was one of two <br> women named by Pele in his 2004 FIFA 100 list of Greatest Living <br> Footballers? She played for Washington Freedom between 2001 and <br> 2003, and she won two women's world cups and two Olympic Gold <br> medals in her nearly two decades on the US Women's National Team <br> until her retirement in 2004. | Mia HAMM |
| 2a | Though she later became more famous for directing comedies, whose <br> first big film was a 1981 documentary about the LA punk scene called <br> The Decline of Western Civilization? | Penelope SPHEERIS |
| 2b | At the time of the adoption of the Euro in France 1998, the French 50 <br> Franc note depicted what author along with an airplane, a map of <br> Africa, and an illustration of his most famous character? | Antoine de SAINT-EXUPERY |
| 3a | The Richter scale, based on seismograph oscillations, is used to <br> measure the magnitude of what natural event? | EARTHQUAKEs |
| 3b | Passed in 1798, what series of laws made any malicious, false, or <br> scandalous writings or speech against the U.S. government illegal, <br> equating such actions to incitement of rebellion or insurrection? Most <br> of the laws, which also gave more power to the government to deport <br> foreign nationals, were allowed to expire in 1800. | ALIEN AND SEDITION Acts |
| 4a | Composer Tobias Picker adapted what 1973 book that mostly takes <br> place in a medical facility into a 2022 opera? His husband, Aryeh Lev <br> Stollman, who wrote the libretto, is both a writer and neurologist like <br> the author of the original book. | AWAKENINGS |
| 4b | Which region in the south of Italy makes up the toe of the boot of the <br> peninsula? Catanzaro is the capital of this region. | CALABRIA |

## Round 2

| 1a | What charity single released in 1985 was written by Michael Jackson <br> and Lionel Richie and was sung by a chorus of mostly American pop <br> stars of the era? Say what you will about the song, within four months <br> it had raised over $\$ 10$ million for humanitarian aid in Ethiopia and <br> Sudan. | WE ARE THE WORLD |
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| 1b | Switzerland has four official languages: German, French, Italian, and <br> what other language? | ROMANSH |
| 2a | What Greek mathematician and astronomer, who died in 190 BCE, is <br> best known for work on conic sections, including developing definitions <br> of parabola, hyperbola, and ellispe, which are still used today? There <br> is a lunar crater named for this person. | APOLLONIUS of Perga |
| 2b | What country has the most Spanish speakers? It lies a few thousand <br> miles north of the country with the second most, Colombia. | MEXICO |
| 3a | What common horror movie trope, most often found in slasher movies, <br> refers to the sole female character who survives the confrontation with <br> the villain during a movie's climax? | FINAL GIRL |
| 3b | Caitlin Clark recently broke the NCAA Division I basketball scoring <br> record. But several articles have since popped up that mention which <br> woman who scored over 4,000 points in the Association for <br> Intercollegiate Athletics for Women while playing for Francis Marion <br> University? The NCAA does not recognize her accomplishment <br> because the NCAA didn't start sponsoring women's basketball games <br> until the 1980s. | Pearl MOORE |
| 4a | What is the term for the decorative moulding placed at the top of <br> interior walls that can add a stately, regal elegance to any room? | CROWN moulding |
| 4b | Ernest Thayer first published what baseball poem under his pen name <br> "Phin" in the San Francisco Examiner in 1888? Let it be a lesson to <br> you about hubris and overconfidence. | CASEY AT THE BAT |

## Round 3

| 1a | Individuals of what type of whale, Balaena mysticetus (bay-la-EE-na <br> miss-teh-SEE-tiss), have been documented to live at least 211 years, <br> making it the longest-lived mammal? It gets its name from its curved <br> shaped head that resembles a piece of equipment historically used in <br> weaponry, as well as sport. | BOWHEAD |
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| 1b | Ted Stevens International Airport is in what state, named after the <br> senator who served the state from 1968 to 2009? | ALASKA |
| 2a | Dua Lipa's recent single namechecks what early 20th century <br> illusionist saying, "l'm not here long / Catch me or I go [BLANK]"? | HOUDINI |
| 2b | An 1886 protest rally for an 8-hour work week in what area of Chicago <br> was disrupted by an unknown anarchist throwing a bomb while police <br> were trying to disperse the protesters? The bomb incited police to <br> begin shooting into the crowd. | HAYMARKET Square |
| 3a | What fitness trend, that gained popularity due to social media <br> influencer Lauren Giraldo, involves a 5 time a week treadmill workout <br> with a specific \% incline, miles per hour, and time spent on machine? <br> Your answer should be three separate numbers in specific order. | (22 3/30 |
| 3b | A 2019 Maurizio Cattelan artwork, titled Comedian, features a fresh <br> what type of fruit duct taped to a wall? | BANANA |
| 4a | According to a CBS sitcom that starred a stand-up comedian and aired <br> from 1996 to 2005, everybody loves who? | RAYMOND |
| 4b | Nearly half of the Cy Young Awards given out from 1956 to 66 (before <br> the award was given out to a pitcher in each league), were given to <br> pitchers from which National League team? One pitcher who spent his <br> entire career with the team won three of these awards in the 1960s. | Brooklyn/Los Angeles DODGERS |

## Round 4

| 1a | Which actor has received 5 Emmy nominations for his guest roles for <br> dramas including The Outer Limits, Brothers and Sisters and Masters <br> of Sex? He played Frank Baker in The Fabulous Baker Boys. | Beau BRIDGES |
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| 1b | What Canadian mystery author has won the Agatha Award for best <br> novel five times, all for her books featuring Quebecois Chief Inspector <br> Armand Gamache? | Louise PENNY |
| 2a | Broodje (BROHD-jeh), bocadillo, and banh mi are all what type of <br> food? | SANDWICH (prompt on BREAD) |
| 2b | What short word is the second in the titles of a 1999 Pokémon game in <br> which the goal is to take photographs, and a 2022 Marvel game in <br> which the goal is to play more powerful cards than your opponent? | SNAP |
| 3a | What independent record label founded in Olympia, Washington, in <br> 1991 by Slim Moon and Tinuviel Sampson is closely associated with <br> the Riot Grrl movement of the 1990s, having released records by <br> Bikini Kill, Bratmobile, and Sleater-Kinney? | KILL ROCK STARS |
| 3b | In Season 6, episode 6 of Parts Unknown, Anthony Bourdain travels <br> around what country while eating with chef Marcus Samuelsson who <br> was born there, watching spice merchants mixing berbere, and getting <br> drunk off tej, a honey mead? | ETHIOPIA |
| 4a | Adipocytes are cells that specialize in the storage of what? | FAT |
| 4b | What man became U.S. Speaker of the House on January 7th , 2023, <br> following 15 rounds of voting, but was later ousted the following <br> October? | Kevin MCCARTHY |

HALFTIME - SWITCH SIDES!

## Round 5

| 1a | What is the term for the type of decorative and functional moulding, <br> typically fixed to a wall at around a height of 36 inches atop the <br> wainscot, used to protect walls from contact damage, especially from <br> a particular piece of furniture? | CHAIR RAIL (accept dado rail or |
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| 1b | The Los Angeles Sparks have retired only two jerseys: those of Lisa <br> Leslie and which former San Diego State player? She only played <br> three seasons with the Sparks, but she may be best remembered for <br> scoring the very first basket in WNBA history. | Penny TOLER |
| 2a | In her 2023 single with Nicki Minaj, Ice Spice namechecks what 20th <br> century British royal whom she compares herself to since <br> "Nowadays, I be duckin' them cameras"? | PRINCESS DIANA (accept Lady <br> DIANA SPENCER or equivalent <br> knowledge) |
| 2b | Harry Reid International Airport is in what state, named after the <br> senator who served the state from 1987 to 2017. It was renamed <br> from McCarran Airport which was also named after a former senator. | NEVADA |
| 3a | According to a semi-autobiographical CBS sitcom about a stand-up <br> comedian's childhood that aired from 2005 to 2009, everybody hates <br> WHO? | CHRIS |
| 3b | Both Algeria and Morocco have two official languages, Arabic and <br> dialects of what Afroasiatic language, which shares it name with an <br> indigenous ethnic group of North Africa? | BERBER (accept AMAZIGH or |
| 4a | What mathematician, astronomer, and philosopher, who notably died <br> in Alexandria in 415 CE, was a revered teacher and respected <br> mathematical expert, editing and commenting on many mathematical <br> concepts, including penning a treatise on Apollonius' work on conic <br> sections? | TAMAZIGHT) |
| 4b | A 2016 Maurizio Cattelan work, titled America, features a fully <br> functional golden what? In 2018 the Guggenheim offered this piece <br> to the Trump White House following a request to borrow a Van Gogh <br> painting? | (hYPATIA (high-PAY-shuh) |

## Round 6

| 1a | What holiday-themed charity single released in 1984 was written by Bob Geldof and Midge Ure and was sung by a chorus of mostly British pop stars of the era? Say what you will about the song, it raised $£ 8$ million for Ethiopian famine relief within a year. | DO THEY KNOW IT'S CHRISTMAS |
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| 1b | What country has the most Portuguese speakers, nearly ten times as many as the country with the second most, Angola? | BRAZIL |
| 2a | What fitness trend that gained popularity due to rumors it is used by Harry Styles, is a type of Pilates that incorporates the use of a specific type of machine? | REFORMER |
| 2b | During the 1990s, $60 \%$ of the National League Cy Young Awards were given out to pitchers from which team? One of this team's pitchers won four of these trophies in a row (albeit the first was with a different NL team). | Atlanta BRAVES |
| 3a | What type of shark, Somniosus microcephalus (som-nee-OH-sis my-cro-SEH-fa-liss), named for an island it can be found near, has had individuals documented to have lived between 272 and 512 years, making it the longest-lived vertebrate? | GREENLAND shark (accept GRAY shark or GURRY shark) |
| 3b | Which poet well known for his light verse first published "Line-up for Yesterday" in the magazine Sport in 1949, featuring 24 historic baseball players? He informed us all that a one-L lama is a priest, while a two-L llama is a beast. | Ogden NASH |
| 4a | What term refers to actresses, often the final girls, who have had prominent, notable, and very audible, appearances or recurring roles in horror movies? This term was used as the title of a Ryan Murphy series in the mid-2010s. | SCREAM QUEENs (prompt on SCREAM) |
| 4b | An 1892 labor strike by steel workers in Homestead, Pennsylvania, involved the strikers successfully fending off strikebreaking agents from what private company after violent confrontations? However, the strikers were ultimately dispersed after management convinced the governor to send thousands of state militiamen. | PINKERTON National Detective Agency |

## Round 7

| 1a | Penelope Spheeris's follow-up to Decline of Western Civilization was a <br> fictionalized view of the kids who came into the city and fueted LA's <br> punk scene. What was the name of the movie which later inspired a <br> Pet Shop Boys song? | SUBURBIA |
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| 1b | Passed as part of the Alien and Sedition Acts, which act increased the <br> residency requirement for US Cititenship to 14 years? It is named for <br> the process by which foreign nationals gain US citizenship and was <br> repealed in 1802. | NATURALIZATION Act |
| 2a | The Fujita scale, which aligns wind speed to associated damage <br> potential, is used to measure the intensity of what natural event, most <br> common in the central US? | TORNADO(es) |
| 2b | At the time of the adoption of the Euro in France 1998, the French 100 <br> Franc note depicted what artist along with details from two of his most <br> famous paintings: "Apples and Biscuits" and "The Card Players". | Paul CEZANNE |
| 3a | What is the first name of Victoria and David Beckham's second eldest <br> son? He shares his name with a Shakespeare character who may <br> have been a little hasty in drinking poison. | ROMEO |
| 3b | Who is the only American soccer player to have won the Ballon d'Or <br> Feminin, winning in 2019 and beating Alex Morgan who came in third? <br> She has won two world cups and spent most of her career with the <br> Seattle Reign. Alongside Alex Morgan and Carli Lloyd, she co- <br> captained the USWNT from 2018 to 2020. | Megan RAPINOE |
| 4a | Composer Tobias Picker adapted what 1992 Stephen King book, a <br> murder mystery set in a small Maine town, into a 2013 opera? Mezzo- <br> soprano Patricia Racette starred in the original production as the title <br> character. | DOLORES CLAIBORNE |
| 4b | Which region in the Northwest of Italy borders France and Piedmont? <br> Genoa is the capital of this region. | LIGURIA |

## Round 8

| 1a | Myocytes are the smallest subunit of what type of tissues that are <br> divided into skeletal, smooth, and cardiac? | MUSCLE |
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| 1b | What British author is best known for her series of books featuring <br> police commander Adam Dalgliesh, the fourth of which, Shroud for A <br> Nightingale, was a finalist for the Mystery Writers of America best <br> novel award in 1971? | PD JAMES |
| 2a | Which actor has received 5 Emmy nominations for his guest roles for <br> dramas including ER, Six Feet Under and Succession? He portrayed <br> Prince Philip in The Queen. | James CROMWELL |

## Spare Questions

| 1 | What Tennessee-born IndyCar driver won the 2023 Indianapolis <br> $500 ?$ He was the 2017 and 2019 IndyCar Series Champion, and <br> currently races in Car \#2 for Team Penske. | Josef NEWGARDEN |
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| 2 | What name is given to a rare form of germ cell tumor, usually <br> comprised of different kinds of tissue like muscle, hair, or teeth? <br> These kinds of tumors are usually benign but can become malignant <br> in rare cases. | TERATOMA |
| 3 | A Wizard's Guide to Defensive Baking, What Moves the Dead, and <br> Nettle \& Bone are among the award-winning fantasy novels penned <br> by Ursula Vernon under what avian pseudonym? | T. KINGFISHER |
| 4 | In April 1961, a group of Cuban exiles - with US support - stormed <br> a Cuban beach and attempted to overthrow Fidel Castro's <br> government. What is this failed military operation now commonly <br> called, after the beach itself? | BAY OF PIGS Invasion |

