

Humanities Bee Finals

Regulation Tossups

(1) **This novel begins at a "Hatchery and Conditioning Centre," where a director explains how an egg is split into buds that can grow into dozens of humans. (+) This novel's first chapter also introduces the character Lenina Crowne and discusses a caste system topped by Alpha Plus individuals. The psychologist Bernard Marx and savage John are characters in, (*)** for the points, what dystopian novel by Aldous Huxley?

ANSWER: ***Brave New World***

(2) **This activity is recognized by the Chinese-based Golden Pinwheel awards. Quentin Blake performed this activity for a series of works about Agaton Sax (+) and for eighteen books by Roald Dahl. The Caldecott Medal is given out for excellence in this activity, which Beatrix Potter performed with (*)** pen, ink, and watercolors for her own children's books. For the points, name this activity of adding pictures to books.

ANSWER: **illustration** (prompt on descriptive answers, such as "adding pictures" or "drawings," before the end of the question)

(3) **This novel grew out of a writing prompt to expand a fairy tale, with the author choosing "The Princess and the Pea." (+) This novel is set on Sagan, where the Collective forbids memories of Earth after the planet is destroyed by Halley's Comet. The storyteller Petra Pena (*)** is the main character of this book. Donna Barba Higuera wrote, for the points, what dystopian young adult novel that won the 2022 Newbery Award?

ANSWER: ***The Last Cuentista***

(4) **This work was inspired by a 1951 film that was directed by Alan Jan Lerner, which starred Gene Kelly in the title role. The lyrics and music in this musical, such as "Nice Work If You Can Get It", "I'll Build a Stairway to Paradise", and (+) "I Got Rhythm,"** were written and composed by brothers Ira Gershwin and George Gershwin, respectively. Set in post-World War Two, this is, (*) for the points, what musical that centers around an ex-soldier as he struggles to find work in the French capital?

ANSWER: ***An American in Paris***

(5) **While deathly ill, this man had a dream in which he was beaten for being a follower of Cicero rather than a disciple of Christ. This man journeyed from his hometown of (+) Stridon to Rome to become secretary to Pope Damasus I. This patron saint of librarians was often shown "in his study" in Renaissance art. (*)** For the points, name this saint who compiled the Vulgate, which became the standard Latin edition of the Bible.

ANSWER: Saint **Jerome**

(6) **This art movement includes Alfred Sisley's painting of fog in a thicketed field. This movement took its name from (+) derogatory remarks made by the critic Louis Leroy, who disparaged a painting depicting a sunrise at Le Havre. This art movement captured the look of light at exact times of day through bright brushstrokes, as seen in the series (*) Haystacks.** For the points, Claude Monet belonged to what artistic movement?

ANSWER: **Impressionism**

(7) **The Serate Musicali is a performing arts venue in this city. The "loggionisti," or "hissing hooligans," traditionally provide vocal criticism during premiere nights in this city. (+) The "theater at the staircase" is the literal name of a performing arts venue in this city, which premiered Giuseppe Verdi's Falstaff. (*)** For the points, the opera house of La Scala is in what capital of Lombardy in northern Italy?

ANSWER: **Milan** (or **Milano**)

(8) **One character describes the "fair and warlike form" in which the "majesty of buried" this country "Did sometimes march" while speaking to a (+) ghost. The soldier Marcellus muses that "Something is rotten in the state of" this country while talking with his friend Horatio. Claudius usurps the throne of this country in a William (*) Shakespeare play.** For the points, what Scandinavian country is the setting of *Hamlet*?

ANSWER: **Denmark** (or **Danmark**)

(9) **A photograph taken in this state renders the moon in "Zone Seven," a shade of light grey, in a dark sky above a granite monolith. (+) The group "F stop 64" was founded by photographers in this state. Glacier Point and the Half Dome are subjects of photographs taken in this state by Ansel Adams. (*) Yosemite National Park was photographed in, for the points, what state where the U.S. film industry is based in Hollywood?**

ANSWER: **California**

(10) **Giorgione showed this person "Sleeping" in a painting housed in a Dresden art museum. Titian likely completed part of that painting and a painting of this person (+) "of Urbino," which shows her nude while covering her genitals with her left hand. Zephyr blows at this woman, who stands on a scallop shell, in a painting by Sandro (*) Botticelli depicting her "Birth."** For the points, name this Roman goddess of love.

ANSWER: **Venus** (do not accept or prompt on "Aphrodite")

(11) **Some analysts have projected that the "federal funds" one of these things will increase six-fold in 2022. Jerome Powell (+) claimed that he was not "actively considering" adjusting one of these things by seventy-five basis points. In May 2022, the Fed raised one of these rates by half a percent in a bid to combat rising inflation. (*)** For the points, what rates represent the premiums paid by borrowers on a loan?

ANSWER: **interest** rates (prompt on "rates" before "rates")

(12) **The main character of this novel argues that digressions make debates more interesting in a discussion with Mr. Antolini about the strict rules at (+) Pencey Prep School. This novel's narrator sleeps on a bench at Grand Central Station, watches children walking down Fifth Avenue, and meets his sister Phoebe at a museum. The disillusioned teenager (*) Holden Caulfield narrates, for the points, what novel by J.D. Salinger?**

ANSWER: *The **Catcher in the Rye***

(13) **People in this role may employ the Saito Method or the Musin method, which calls for signs such as a "subdivided attack." For over fifteen years, Gustavo Dudamel has served in this role for an organization based in (+) Los Angeles. Radio broadcasts by NBC were overseen by people in this role including Leopold Stokowski. (*)** For the points, what role involves leading an orchestra, often with a baton?

ANSWER: **conductor**s (or **music director**s; accept word forms, such as **conducting** music or **directing music**; do not accept or prompt on "directing movies" or "directing" alone)

(14) **Some films with this property were subject to "goat-glanding," a pun on a quack treatment for impotence. Projectionists broadcast (+) films with this property at a slower, variable rate, allowing greater emphasis on scenes with physical comedy. Films with this property often included intertitles displaying written (*) dialogue and were accompanied by live music. For the points, name these types of films without sound.**

ANSWER: **silent** films

(15) **This philosopher referred to the theory of punishment as a "very strange doctrine," because, contrary to contemporary thinkers, this thinker claimed that punishment existed in the "state of nature". (+) This philosopher attacked the legitimacy of absolute monarchies in the *Two Treatises of Government*. (*)** For the points, name this British empiricist philosopher and "father of liberalism," a contemporary of Thomas Hobbes.

ANSWER: John **Locke**

(16) **In the *Gylfaginning*, Harr relates how this this god "must be ruler of heaven and earth," and tells of how, with the help of siblings Vili and (+) Ve, this god slew the giant Ymir. This eight-legged horse Sleipnir [{"sleep"}-"near"] is ridden by this god, who presides over the hall of Valhalla for fallen warriors. Wisdom, battle, and runes (*) were among the many domains of, for the points, what Norse god who names Wednesday?**

ANSWER: **Odin** (or **Wotan**)

(17) **Arturo Toscanini conducted this piece at a faster pace, leading it to last only thirteen minutes instead of the usual sixteen minutes played at around (+) seventy-two beats per minute. The first flute introduces the melody of this piece, which consists of a continuous crescendo while repeating a two-part melody over a snare drum ostinato. (*)** For the points, name this Maurice Ravel piece based on a Spanish dance.

ANSWER: **Bolero**

(18) **This man is the namesake founder of an architectural firm with "Cobb Freed & Partners," which designed the Baltimore World Trade Center. This architect used (+) glass and steel for four structures installed in the Napoleon Courtyard. This architect designed a museum of ancient art near where he grew up in Suzhou. (*)** For the points, the Louvre's pyramid entrance was designed by what Chinese-American architect?

ANSWER: I.M. **Pei** (or Ieoh Ming **Pei**)

(19) **This man tossed a rock into a field of stone warriors to cause them to fight each other to the death, and yoked the Khalkotauri [{"kahl"}-koh-TAW-roy], two fire-breathing (+) bulls, to plow a field in the land of Colchis [{"KOHL"}-kiss]. With the help of the sorceress Medea, this hero acquired a hide to complete a quest given to him by his treacherous uncle. (*)** For the points, name this leader of the Argonauts who sought the Golden Fleece in Greek myth.

ANSWER: **Jason** (or **Iásōn**)

(20) **Satan dares Jesus to turn stones into this substance in the Temptation of Christ. The nature of a transformation undergone by this (+) solid substance is at the heart of the doctrine of transubstantiation. This substance is mentioned in the fourth petition of the Lord's Prayer, which states "Give us this day our (*) daily" this substance. Churchgoers at the Eucharist consume, for the points, what food?**

ANSWER: **bread** (prompt on "food" before "liquid")

(21) **One artist likely based a man wearing a pea coat who is striking at one of these animals with a long hook on Raphael's *Saint George and the Dragon*. (+) A painting partly titled for one of these animals shows Havana harbor in the background, behind a group of men in a canoe who reach out to a comrade in the water. (*) For the points, John Singleton Copley painted *Watson and* one of what marine predators?**

ANSWER: **sharks** (accept *Watson and the Shark*)

(22) **A character in this novel steals food from some priests at a funeral procession, and then delays an investigation of cloth-pounding hammers by tying up the legs of the horse (+) Rocinante. This novel's title character imagines that a neighboring peasant girl is the lady Dulcinea, that Sancho Panza is his squire, and that he is a knight in medieval (*) Spain. For the points, name this early modern novel by Miguel de Cervantes.**

ANSWER: ***Don Quixote*** [[DON kee-HOH-teh]]

(23) **This man oversaw a fight in which Ares transformed into a bull to defeat one of Agelaus's prized bulls. In one story, Athena promised (+) this man wisdom, knowledge, and skill in combat as a bribe to win the Apple of Discord. The "Judgment" of this man proclaimed that Aphrodite was the fairest goddess, for which this man became the lover of (*) Helen. For the points, name this brother of Hector whose actions started the Trojan War.**

ANSWER: **Paris** (prompt on "Alexander" or "Alexandros")

(24) **A large variety of this type of object is the saff, which often have a motif displaying multiple adjacent arches representing the mihrab, or the direction of (+) Mecca. Namazlik and sajjada are terms for this type of object. Some Muslims substitute a disc of earth for this type of object, which preserves cleanliness during prayer. (*) For the points, in the tale of Aladdin, what type of object is used for magical flight?**

ANSWER: **rug** (or **carpets**; accept **sajjada** before "sajjada"; prompt on "namazlik" before "namazlik")

(25) **A god of these people has a name that translates as "smoking mirror," and he was often depicted with an obsidian mirror in place of the foot that he lost while battling a (+) crocodilian monster.** These people's myths about past worlds called the Five Suns tell of the battles between Tezcatlipoca and the "feathered serpent," (*) Quetzalcoatl. For the points, what Mesoamerican people built the Templo Mayor in Tenochtitlan?

ANSWER: **Aztecs** (or **Mexica** [[meh-SHEE-kah]])

(26) **The melody of the molto allegro first movement of a symphony by this composer three times repeats E flat D D in a short short long motif, followed by a high B flat. (+) Only two of this composer's symphonies are in a minor key, and are known as the Great G minor symphony and the Little G minor symphony. The Jupiter Symphony is by, (*)** for the points, what Austrian composer who is the subject of the film *Amadeus*?

ANSWER: Wolfgang Amadeus **Mozart**

(27) **In this city, hundreds of children carried illuminated dove props during a performance of the "Snowflake" theme. The song "You and Me" was the official (+) theme for an event in this city, which was partly held in facilities nicknamed the Bird's Nest and the Water Cube. Nathan Chen skated to a remix of Elton John's songs to win a gold medal in, (*)** for the points, what Chinese city that hosted the 2022 Winter Olympics?

ANSWER: **Beijing**

(28) **After the trumpet, this instrument plays in the opening of Mahler's Fifth Symphony. Vic Berton is credited with designing the first modern-style (+) stand used with this instrument. Sabian and Zildjian are two companies known for manufacturing this instrument. Types of this instrument include a crash, a ride, and a (*) hi-hat.** For the points, name this percussion instrument that consists of an often-paired metal disc.

ANSWER: **cymbals** (prompt on "drums")

(29) **After Buddhists in this country were prohibited from flying flags during Vesak, a monk in this country burned himself alive (+) on a street corner in 1963. The religion of Cao Dai originated in this country. China's New Year often coincides with this country's lunar New Year, known as the Tet. (*)** The Tran Quoc Pagoda is on the shores of the West Lake in, for the points, what southeast Asian country's capital of Hanoi?

ANSWER: **Vietnam** (accept Socialist Republic of **Vietnam**; or Cộng hòa Xã hội chủ nghĩa **Việt Nam**)

(30) **In chapter ten of this novel, a group of characters make it a tradition to hold meetings where they each impersonate characters from the *The Pickwick Papers*. The author of this novel originally wanted its protagonist to be a (+) "literary spinster" but instead had her marry Professor Friedrich Bhaer. Good Wives is the second volume of, (*)** for the points, what American novel written by Louisa May Alcott about the four March sisters—Meg, Amy, Beth, and Jo?

ANSWER: **Little Woman**

Extra Questions

(1) **An Edward Moran painting depicts one of these places in Sandy Hook, which is one of the oldest in the United States. One of these places names a novel in which (+) Lily Briscoe visits the Ramsay family, as written by Virginia Woolf. Fresnel lenses were developed for use in these places, allowing brighter beacons to be broadcast over greater distances. (*)** For the points, name these towers that warn incoming ships of land.

ANSWER: **lighthouses**