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Tiebreakers

(Note to readers: if a tiebreaker is required, ask how many tiebreakers teams have heard, and take the one above the higher number.)

1. One character in one of these works scares away a group of Native Americans by baring her breast and slapping it with a sword, and in another of these works, the same character has a camp of men slaughtered before killing the women personally. The title character of one of these works carves a perfect bobbin, and then builds a ship, although he has never seen one before; he is (*) Ref the Sly. Another title character of one of these works receives three shells and a duck egg in return for a poem as a child, and later composes a twenty-stanza verse in order to not be executed by King Eirik Bloodaxe. For 10 points, name these works, typified by the stories of Egil (EY-il) Skallagrimsson and Eirik the Red, long works of Old Norse prose whose name has come to denote any long story.

ANSWER: Sagas [accept sögur]

2. In a poem named for this thing, Baudelaire claims that it "flows from [his lover's]... green eyes" and "plunges [his] remorseless soul into oblivion". Pokémon gyms of this type can be found in Virbank City and Fuchsia City, and Pokémon of this type include Swalot, Trubbish and Nidoran. In *Outlander*, Claire wears a necklace reputed to warn against this hazard when entertaining the Comte St. Germain. This is the only (*) weapon in *Cluedo: the Great Video Detective Game* not to appear in the original *Cluedo*. Fictional substances of this kind include sennari, atroquinine and Iocaine Powder. In *Breaking Bad*, Walter and Jesse attempt to escape from Tuco by extracting one of these substances from castor beans. FTP, name this class of substances, which are harmful or lethal when ingested.

ANSWER: Poisons [accept Poison-type, begrudgingly accept toxins, prompt on 'ricin']

3. David Anick developed a mathematical model for one part of this practice based around the octave potencies convention. In this practice, 'miasms' are the infectious principles underlying chronic diseases and substances are ingested in 'provings' to establish their effects. Manufacturing for this practice involves (*) succussion between subsequent 'potentizations.' In *The Organon of the Healing Art*, Samuel Hahnemann invoked the principle of 'let like cure like' in his development of this practice, whose modern proponents have to invoke 'patterned solvents' and 'water memory' to attempt to justify its apparent efficacy. For 10 points, identify this type of alternative medicine, based on a pseudoscientific argument according to which by excessively diluting a medicine you increase its potency.

ANSWER: **Homeopathy**

4. Sarvan and Vorukh are exclaves of this country and the Kulma Pass is the only road connecting China to this country. This country's decision to construct the Rogun Dam on the Vakhsh River has raised tensions with a neighbour over fears it could harm cotton production. The Anzob Tunnel was opened in 2006 to improve travel between Khujand and this country's capital, and the Panj and Amu Darya rivers form much of the border between (*) Afghanistan and this country. The northwestern Pamirs are home to this country's highest point, Ismoil Somoni Peak, which was formerly named for Joseph Stalin and Communism. Sharing the Fergana Valley with Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan this is, for 10 points, which central Asian country with capital Dushanbe?

ANSWER: Republic of **Tajikistan**

5. One character in this series of works is trapped in the casino known as Serendipity, where he must gamble for the life of his son, whom he had previously lost in a power station - he is an airship pilot who wields twin pistols and has a young bird nesting in his hair. Another character in this series of works

sends a girl he abducted as a child to investigate Valigarmanda, and later proclaims himself (*) God of Magic and destroys the town of Mobliz with the Light of Judgement. Another major character in one of these works is born in the town of Nibelheim, and leaves to join the SOLDIER program and follow his idol, Sephiroth. FTP, name these works featuring such characters as Sazh Katzroy, Kefka Palazzo and Cloud Strife, a long-running series of science-fantasy JRPGs by Square Enix.

ANSWER: Final Fantasy [accept any instalments in the series]