

Minor characters on this show include Sandy Uber, a swim team member nicknamed “Squishy” associated with the quote “What? Can’t Hear! Water in my ear.” On one episode of this show, Mr. Vandenbosch gets fired from a teaching position after failing two of his students for cheating. Another of its characters refuses to let Shawna cut her hair after her regular stylist Alex is called to war. A subplot on this show concerns Agent Freeling and Agent Cummings, who pretend to be employees of the Blendin Electrical Company. A major election on this show is won by the fringe candidate (+) **Rav Nadir**. One of its characters attends a scrapbooking class headed by **Detective John Munch**, and another pledges to turn around his life after his car is crushed by the **Ten Commandments**. Other characters include the **Rob Coddry** played **Moses Taylor**, who founds the organization “**Hands Off Our Guns**” and stars as the TV detective (\*) **Frank Wrench**. The final episode of this show reveals that Mongolians rather than Mexicans were responsible for the “blowback” on **Cinco de Cuatro**. For 10 points, name this show about the Bluth family.

ANSWER: **Arrested Development** [A question on Arrested Development]

In some cases, zeolites act as a type of these that present molecules at the interface between an aqueous solution and an organic solution. Quaternary ammonium salts are often used as a type of these that help anionic samples dissolve in organic solvents. These compounds, which come in (+) “**phase-boundary**” and “**phase-transfer**” varieties, include a **heterocyclic carbene bound to a central ruthenium atom in the kind named for (\*) Grubbs**. Palladium poisoned with lead salts composes the one named for Lindlar. These compounds function by lowering activation energy. Biological examples of these compounds are called enzymes. For 10 points, name these compounds that increase the rate of a reaction.

ANSWER: **catalysts** [A science question]

One band from this city included the song “**Ropes and Reins**” on its recent EP *Lies, Beautiful Lies* and is led by guitarist **Russell Magee** and vocalist **Edy Fahey**. A Tim Barry-fronted punk band from this city was known for the image of a man holding a flag over his shoulder from the cover of its album *Dixie*, and for the single “**Simple Song**,” which was on *Tony Hawk Pro Skater 4*. This home of *A City Something*, and *Avail* also produced the Celtic influenced Indie-rock group *Carbon Leaf* and “**Save Me**” singer (+) **Aimee Mann**. In 2009, management closed this city’s expansion of famed New Haven concert venue **Toad’s Place**. While he rose to prominence in **San Diego**, **Jason Mraz** was born and raised in this city’s suburb of **Mechanicsville**. Popular venues here include **The National** and a theater/concert venue once known as **The Mosque** and now called the (\*) **Landmark**. One well known band that originated in this city came under fire when frontman **Randy Blythe** killed a kid in **Prague** by pushing him off the stage. Another of its metal bands established **Slave Pit Records**, includes members **Beefcake** the **Mighty** and **Oderus Urungus**, and puts on shows involving extensive fantasy costuming and fake blood. For 10 points, name this city that produced **GWAR** and **Lamb of God**, which was made up of **VCU** students.

ANSWER: **Richmond**, Virginia [A question on anything from trash music as quizbowl defines it]

Many contemporary scholars have commented on the relation of these things to the traditional verses called *bolis* in their techniques of romantic expression, in contrast to those of the *ghazals*. Mehta et al. link the rise of these to *Daler Mehndi*’s personalized rejuvenation of *Bhangra*. The modern era of these was ushered in in 1993 with a controversial one from (+) **Khalnayak**. The “**Munni vs. Sheila**” debate was sparked by two wildly popular examples of these, **Malaika Arora Khan**’s “**Munni Badnaam Hui**” and **Katrina Kaif**’s “**Sheila Ki Jawani**.” For 10 points, give this term for highly marketable (\*) songs in Bollywood films which do nothing to advance the plot and feature sexy actresses dancing in revealing clothing.

ANSWER: **item number**s [or **item songs**; prompt on **songs from Bollywood films** or obvious equivalents] [A question pertaining to India or Indian culture in some way]

A hero from this myth system used a lightning arrow gifted by the sun to kill the bird monster **Tsenahale**, whose attacks he had survived with a magic feather. In a story from this myth system, four mysterious gods called **White Body**, **Blue Body**, **Yellow Body** and **Black Body** sandwiched two differently-colored ears of corn in between two buckskins, then worked with the eight **Mirage People** to create the **Yei**. According to this myth system, the (+) **Insect People** progressed from the **First World** to the **Fourth World** before transforming into humans and reached the current **Fifth World** to escape a flood. An important character in this mythos was found in a cradle made of rainbows and began to wear a white shell after learning to walk in four days; that virgin became pregnant from a ray of light that passed through a waterfall. In this non-Mayan myth system, the universe was inhabited by monsters until those were slain by **Monster Slayer** and **Born for Water**, a pair of (\*) hero twins. This myth system explains the *kinaalda* rite of passage as a re-enactment of the finding of **Changing Woman**, the

longed-for child of First Man and First Woman. For 10 points, name this American Indian myth system whose creation story is contained in the lengthy *Dine Bahane*.

ANSWER: **Navajo** Mythology [or **Dine** myth before it is read; prompt on silly answers like **Native American** mythology] [A myth question]

(Description Acceptable) *The main structure in this place is a close replica William Pereira's Giesel Library at UCSS. One character angrily asks why this place couldn't have been a "goddamn beach." That character finds a childishly illustrated (+) pinwheel here under his father's will in a safe. This place contains a massive vault door which opens to reveal a hospital room. An avalanche in this place is caused by a van driving off of a bridge, prompting a snowmobile fight sequence inspired by the skiing scene in The Spy Who Loved Me. This place is created by the forger (\*) Eames and is the site of Mr. Saito's death. The occupants of this place are able to escape it when Arthur sets off explosives near an elevator in a neighboring place. For 10 points, name this level wedged between limbo and the hotel level, the place where the title planting actually occurs in the movie Inception.*

ANSWER: **third** dream level [or **snow** covered mountains, or snow **fortress**; prompt on "Fisher's dream" or "dream" or "Eames' dream"] [A question on any event, historical or fictional, that somehow involved at least one citizen of Japan being injured in some way]

*One of these works claims that "An oppressive government is to be feared more than a tiger," while another argues that "The only thing that is good without qualification or restriction is a good will." Another of these works argues for a critical re-evaluation of The Big Picture: Views of Life, Meaning, and Human Potential, a book by their author's (+) father. A more famous entry in this set of works attempts to refute the statement "Guns don't kill people. People kill people." with a thought experiment in which a child accidentally kills himself with a gun. Recent entries in this series have proposed a (\*) million dollar cap on the annual salary of every person or corporation in existence, and argued that women undecided between two men should hold obstacle course races to determine which man is more devoted. For 10 points, name these works of philosophy that champion alternative medicine, pornographic cowboy novels, Starcraft II, and transhumanism, much to the disdain of Jerry Vinokurov.*

ANSWER: **Richard Mason's Facebook Statuses** [or equivalents] [A question pertaining to philosophy or "thought" however defined]

*One of these is botched by Henderson, a contact played by Charles Gray who fails to comprehend the protagonist's comments on the Saint Catherine of Alexandria Polyptych. Valentin Zukovsky comments on how a properly made one of these captures the essence of Laura de Noves. These are legally but not chemically related to Memmo di Filipuccio. Anya Amasova orders one of these before extracting a Lippo (+) Memmi from it. One of these was splashed onto a set of wooden panels to create the Annunciation of St. Margaret and St. Ansanus in the laboratory of Dr. (\*) No. For 10 points, name this Sieneese mixed drink derived from a Duccio and famously almost ordered by James Bond.*

ANSWER: **Simone Martini, Shaken, Not Stirred** [prompt on **Simone Martini**; prompt on **Martini**] [A question on painting from the years 500 to 1300 CE]

*A Marianne Wiggins story narrated by the spirit of this man's first wife concerns the preparations for his funeral service. In a novel, the U.S. Army colonel Richard Cantewell repeats this man's last words before climbing in the backseat of a Buick to die. The definitive biography of this man was authored by Virginia Tech professor James Robertson and subtitled (+) "the Man, the Soldier, the Legend." In a novel, this man leads the music teacher Gus Ramseur and the farmer Usaph Bumpass, who longs to return to his wife Ephie. A poem repeats his name twice before invoking "the sunken fields of hemp" and naming four of the battles where he fought. Hemingway borrowed his (\*) last words to title his novel Across the River and into the Trees. Allen Tate wrote a biography of him subtitled "The Good Soldier" in addition to invoking his name in "Ode to the Confederate Dead." For 10 points, name this major character in Thomas Keneally's Confederates, a Southern general killed by friendly fire at Chancellorsville.*

ANSWER: Stonewall **Jackson**

*An aborted unrealistic plan by MVRDV to build an artificial hill on this site was replaced by an armadillo-shaped cafe which arose from a rare collaboration between the Portuguese masters Alvaro Siza and Souto de Moura. Zaha Hadid created a tent covering a series of benches here, and Daniel Libeskind built an origami-inspired steel and aluminum structure called Eighteen Turns. Arup engineer Cecil Balmond has collaborated on many of the structures here, including a 2006 Rem Koolhaas building covered with an inflatable ovoid canopy. Currently*

occupied by Sou Fujimoto's design consisting of a lattice of white rods, this site has also featured Ai Weiwei and Herzog & de Meuron's underground bunker covered by a giant slab and Frank Gehry's four massive steel columns covered in seemingly haphazardly placed timber. Since 2000, this Kensington Gardens locale has sponsored temporary (+) **summer pavilions each year from great contemporary architects. For 15 points, name this gallery in London which takes its name from a nearby curving, snakelike river.**

ANSWER: Serpentine Gallery [architecture]

*This is the name of a tiny Utah town located just southeast of Goosenecks State Park and named for a peculiar rock formation. This name is also given to the second derivative of a Gaussian function used to model seismic data. That function with this name is also called the Ricker wavelet. The expression  $\lambda$  times quantity  $q$ -squared minus  $a$ -squared squared can define a (+) **potential given this name. That potential of this name has an infinite number of minima proportional to  $e$  to the  $i$  theta and was introduced by Jeffrey Goldstone to illustrate (\*)***

spontaneous symmetry breaking. For 10 points, give this generic term whose referent is usually a sombrero.

ANSWER: Mexican hat [A question somehow involving hats]

*This song is a reworked version of a similarly titled Rhythm Center single put out by Colchis Records. It was added as a bonus track to the revised edition of the album Quakershaker. The lyrics "She was my ground, my favorite sound, my country road, my city street, my sky above, my only love" were omitted from a 2000 (+) **U2 cover of this song which was included in the film The Million Dollar Hotel. An acoustic version of this song opened its artist massive Into the Underworld tour. This song was revised to commemorate the death of the lead singer of VTO, Vina Aspara, who died in a Mexican earthquake. This song begins "All my life, I worshipped her, Her golden voice, her beauty's beat, How she made us feel." (\*)*** For 10 points, name this rock anthem written by Ormus Cama, which gives its title to a Salman Rushdie novel based on the Orpheus and Euridyce myth.

ANSWER: "The Ground Beneath Her Feet" [A question on rock music]

*This practice is called the "destroyer of men and cities" in a Greek line adapted by its author from Aeschylus. The author says that this practice "hath brought palsey to bed" after claiming that it "slayeth the child in the womb" and "stayeth the young man's courting." That section of a larger work concludes by noting that "corpses are set to banquet at behest of" this practice. In the author's last recorded comment on this practice, he admitted, "I was out of focus, taking a symptom for a cause. The cause is (+) **AVARICE.**" Attacks on this practice often appear in conjunction with the author's anti-Semitic attacks on the (\*) Rothschilds. For 10 points, name this practice obsessively condemned by Ezra Pound in *The Cantos*, the charging of interest on loans.*

ANSWER: usury [or usura] [A question on economics, science, or poetry]

*The performer of one of these actions claimed of his decision "It was unanimous ... 1-0." This action was carried out an eleventh time in response to an incident in which its subject had the windshield of his Hummer smashed with a frying pan and forcibly prevented his wife Kimsha from calling 911. The second of these actions took place in 2003, after a television monitor was thrown to the ground and a high-definition (+) **camera taken from the hands of Mike Miner and smashed. The first of these fourteen actions was taken in response to a fight involving Glenn Robinson. The second-most severe of these actions addressed the elbowing of (\*) James Harden, while the most famous of them occurred after their subject was hit in the chest with a Diet Coke and responded by charging into the stands. For 10 points, name these actions taken by David Stern to punish a perpetrator of the Malice in the Palace.***

ANSWER: NBA suspensions of Ron Artest or Metta World Peace [A question on sports]

*This historic individual inspired a literary character who sets himself on fire to keep away Rosine's dark elves and continually puts the fire out by slicing open the cocoons creating more dark elves. That character, inspired by this man, swings a sword with his feet to kill Nosferatu Zodd and is repeatedly saved by the Skull Knight, the spirit of the Vandal king Gaiseric. A character based on this man serves in the (+) **Band of the Hawk during the Golden Age under his friend Griffith before the Eclipse, when Griffith transforms into God Hand member Femto and horribly rapes his girlfriend Casca in front of him. A literary work about him that is sadly, probably not more famous may include the (\*)*** first use of the phrase "kiss my ass." For 10 points, name this historical warrior who inspired the protagonist of the manga *Berserk* as well as a play by Goethe, which depicts him, less unusually, as a warrior in the Peasants' War with an iron hand.

ANSWER: Gotz von Berlichingen [A question on Asian literature]

Two answers required. One of these two people is the singer behind a one-hit wonder whose cover by Kurt Nilsen became the best-selling Norwegian single ever. The other of these people wrote the unfinished novel *The Book of Franza*, part of a planned cycle called "Styles of Dying." The former of these people nonsensically compared a girl to "Cleopatra, Joan of Arc, and Aphrodite" in his only famous song, "She's So High." The latter of these people published the short story collection *Three Ways to the Lake*, which contains her story about two women named Frau Jordan, the elder of whom hallucinates hearing cries from a dog. The first of these people got famous largely because his father was the lead guitarist in The Guess Who and led a Canadian rock band with Fred Turner; the other of these people is an Austrian writer best known - well, not really *known* - for the short story "The Barking." For 20 points, name these two people.

ANSWER: Tal Bachman and Ingeborg Bachmann [if somebody says "Tal Bachman and Randy Bachman" on the first clue, just laugh, and laugh, and laugh] [A question that could represent the concept of "varying difficulty"]

*In one scene, the heir to the CEO of this company repeatedly watches a clip of the Buddhist monk Thich Nhat Hanh explaining his concept of "inter-being." In another scene, the ghost of a man who led this company disappears into a Pepsi machine. The aforementioned heir of this company makes an experimental film called *The (+) Mousetrap* and wanders through a Blockbuster contemplating "the whips and scorns of time" and describing "a (\*) consummation devoutly to be wished."* Kyle MacLachlan plays the CEO of this company, who is shot to death by his nephew after his recently wedded wife drinks poisoned wine. For 10 points, name this corporation taken over by Claudius in Michael Almereyda's postmodern adaptation of *Hamlet*.

ANSWER: Denmark Corporation [question on movies occupying any point on the academic/trash spectrum]

*This object and an identical duplicate were made by the cabinet maker Charles Barlett at a cost of \$1,300. Felipe Cazals's film *His Most Serene Highness* is set in a house filled with replicas of this object. A TV show episode centering about this object is followed by an earnest plea to write a letter to Dick Durbin. At the end of that episode, it is stolen from the Arlen History Museum and traded for a driver's license. According to a persistent legend, it was used as a baseball bat in a game organized by (+) Abner Doubleday. On *King of the Hill*, Bobby Hill makes a replica of this object for a school skit in which it is stolen by an Illinois militiaman after a meal of roast chicken. This object really has been kept in an Illinois museum since it was captured at the Battle of (\*) Cerro Gordo. For 10 points, name this cork object which was created to replace a body part lost in the Pastry War.*

ANSWER: Santa Anna's wooden leg [A question on military history]

*In response to this action, Jonathan Magin turned around to smirk and nod knowingly at Evan Adams, who was gaping in astonishment at this action, since he had recently bet Magin a hypothetical five dollars on the outcome of a certain event. Matt Weiner famously compared the gesticulation accompanying this action to Kareem Abdul-Jabbar executing a (+) skyhook. The completion of this action was preceded by its performer scratching his chin and muttering, "Jews..." For 10 points, name this action with which a certain player converted his third straight (\*) tossup opening the 2010 ACF Nationals finals match between Minnesota and the team he led to victory, Stanford.*

ANSWER: Andrew Yaphe answering the tossup on "a get" in the finals game of the 2010 ACF Nationals [or "This is a get!"; or other obvious equivalents] [A question on something related to Jews or Judaism]

*The creator of this publication also put out an encyclopedia that joined Britannica and Americana in the Big 3 of English language encyclopedias until it was merged into Encarta by Microsoft. In the 1940s, its cover was frequently illustrated by Arthur Szyk. A Louis Glavis piece in this magazine was an inciting incident in the Ballinger Pinchot affair. It was the original publisher of "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button," "The Sound of Thunder," and "The Most Dangerous Game," but may be better known for bringing on Werner von Braun and others for its series of optimistic 1950s articles called (+) *Man Will Conquer Space Soon!*. This magazine was at its best under Norman Hapgood at the turn of the century, when it commissioned Jack London to report on the San Francisco Earthquake, published Samuel Hopkins Adams' expose of the patent medicine industry, and ran (\*) Upton Sinclair's "Is Chicago Meat Clean?". For 10 points, name this rival of McClures and leading muckraking magazine.*

ANSWER: Collier's Weekly [A question on any area of the conventional ACF distribution whatsoever, but "loosely modeled on the Gunpei Yokoi Memorial in terms of overall aesthetics and tone"]

One of these structures titles a book-length study by Judith Ann Dompkowski of "motion as design in the writing of Czeslaw Milosz." In *Silent Hill: Downpour*, Murphy flees from his second encounter with the Void by means of one

of these structures. One of these structures is the setting of a minimalist horror game based on SCP-087. In *Super (+) Mario 64*, one of these structures hinders you from reaching Bowser in the Sky until you have collected seventy stars. One of these structures is the central subject of the (\*) lithograph *Ascending and Descending* by M. C. Escher. For 10 points, name these hypothetical structures that you can climb forever without reaching the top. ANSWER: never-ending staircase [or obvious equivalents; prompt on staircase; prompt on stairs] [questions on architecture]

*These policies are governed by Section 132(c) of the U.S. Tax Code, which excludes them from gross income with either a "gross profit percentage" test or a 20 percent test based on whether they concern goods or services. One of these policies can be accessed in Ratchet and Clank: Up Your Arsenal by loading a save file from the first Ratchet and Clank game while in the Gadgetron Site on planet Kalebo III. In the Scrubs episode "His Story IV," Dr. Kelso removes one of these policies to force the doctors to stop bickering with each other and unite against him. In 2010, (+) Whole Foods controversially instituted one of these policies that varied with individual BMI. During his rookie season, Ron Artest was widely criticized for trying to take advantage of one of these policies to (\*) buy a stereo. For 10 points, name these policies, one of which let Evan Adams get a sweet 40% off on books at Barnes & Noble when he worked there.*

ANSWER: employee discounts [prompt on "discounts"] [A trash question]

*After spending a night in an Eastbourne hotel, a person of this type stole the sheets stained with her menstrual blood and took them home with her. Virginia Woolf compared the first person of this type to a "bag of ferrets" hanging around a man's neck. Evelyn Waugh wrote of that person of this type that her "insanity sprang from her seduction and desertion by Bertrand Russell." That person of this type was committed to an asylum in 1938 by her brother Maurice. (+) Vivienne Haigh-Wood was the first person of this type. Another person of this type, Valerie Fletcher, granted the rights allowing for the creation of (\*) Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical *Cats*. For 10 points, name this type of person who married the American poet of *Four Quartets* and "The Waste Land."*

ANSWER: wives of T. S. Eliot [A very difficult question of Gaddis-like level]

*One poem claims that this thing "can kill a man" after calling it "a thing to have, A lion, an ox in his breast, To feel it breathing there." In a poem titled for this thing, Pablo Neruda claims "I don't know where it came from, from winter or a river," but that it "arrived in search of me." In addition to claiming it "is a (+) Destructive Force," Wallace Stevens uses the first line of his poem "A High-Toned Old Christian Woman" to define this thing as "the supreme fiction." A Billy Collins poem titled for this thing describes students tying it to a chair and beating it with a hose. Another work defines this thing as (\*) "the spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings." Another work titled after this thing distinguishes it from "business documents and school-books" and compares it to "imaginary gardens with real toads in them." That poem about this notes that "there are things that are important beyond all this fiddle" and begins "I, too, dislike it." For 10 points, name this art which can encompass haikus and epics.*

ANSWER: poetry [or poems] [A question pertaining to a novella, short story, or poem]

*A 2003 study by van Gils et al. conducted a cost-benefit analysis determining the optimal size of this organ in *Calidris canutus*. This organ is lined with a keratinoid layer of hard vertical rods of a carbohydrate/protein complex called koilin. Rocks providing evidence of the existence of these organs in (+) dinosaurs are sometimes called Morrison stones. Ingested material is stored in the proventriculus before being passed to this organ. This organ performs its characteristic function using (\*) gastroliths. This organ is usually included in a separate bag along with the liver, neck, and heart when one purchases a Thanksgiving turkey. For 10 points, name this muscular secondary stomach that uses stones to grind up food in the digestive systems of birds.*

ANSWER: gizzard [A question related to animals]

*An article in *Fortune* magazine quoted a Chicago woman's response to Pearl Harbor as "nothing is left anymore... except, thank God," one of these institutions. One of them on Oxford Street included a rooftop shooting range and a "Silence Room" and was developed in an innovative American style by (+) Harry Selfridge. William Labov conducted an experiment in how the term "fourth floor" was pronounced in different classes of these institutions. Louis Sullivan designed the Carson, Pirie Scott building for one of these companies, which often included tea rooms. Leading examples of these institutions included Hudson's in Detroit and (\*) Marshall Field's in Chicago. By the end of the twentieth century, these places had transitioned from standalone destinations into anchor clients for shopping malls. For 10 points, name this class of shop which includes Macy's.*

ANSWER: department stores [A question pertaining to "the 20th century"]

*These beings are known to eat the leaves of the toxic Blueroot tree. In the Phendrana Drifts, they created the rock monster Thardus. One of their operations in the Dasha region was disrupted by the (+) Ing. Their bioengineering experiments often involve mutating their own species using Phazon, and they often fight with arm-mounted scythes. Earlier, the giant reptile (\*) Kraid was destroyed along with the rest of their base in the caverns of Zebes. These beings wiped out the colony K-2L, whose lone survivor became their deadliest enemy, and in some appearances, they are led by Ridley and Mother Brain. For 10 points, name this race of recurring enemies of Samus Aran in the Metroid series.*

ANSWER: Space Pirates [A question on "engineering," however defined]

*After discovering the motto "Traveller, there is no way to travel, only travelling" on the walls of a Toledo monastery, this composer wrote his Hay que Caminar pieces. Neo-Nazis threw stinkbombs in La Fenice to disrupt a piece by this man ending with the destruction of the world in a flood, his opera Intolerance. This husband of Nuria Schoenberg paid homage to his father-in-law by composing the Canonical Variations on a theme from Schoenberg's Ode to Napoleon. Renzo Piano designed a gigantic ark for the premiere of this man's nine-cantata series (+) Prometheus. A poem by Ethel Rosenberg inspired the title of a cantata by this composer whose text comes from letters written by revolutionaries from across Europe shortly before their executions by the Nazis. He is best known for two pieces, the cantata The Suspended Song and the Holderlin-quoting string quartet Fragmente Stille: An Diotima. For 10 points, name this 20th-century (\*) Italian composer, a member of the "triumvirate" of avant-garde composers along with Karlheinz Stockhausen and Pierre Boulez.*

ANSWER: Luigi Nono [A question on academic music]

*A Vermont printer named Thomas James was championed by Arthur Conan Doyle after claiming to have discovered who performed this action in a seance. C. Auguste Dupin, Sherlock Holmes, and Hercules Poirot attempt to discover who performed this action in the Italian novel The D Case. A 1985 musical written by Rupert Holmes used an innovative audience vote to determine which character performs this action. (+) G.K. Chesterton served as the judge and George Bernard Shaw chaired the jury at a 1914 mock trial based on this crime. A 2012 BBC miniseries concluded that this action never took place, revealing that its supposed victim was in Egypt the whole time. This action is investigated by Dick Datchery, and most agree that it would have been performed due to jealousy over Rosa Bud by the victim's uncle (\*) John Jasper. For 10 points, name this crime whose perpetrator is unknown due to the 1870 death of Charles Dickens.*

ANSWER: the murder of Edwin Drood [generously accept equivalents] [A "your choice" question]

*In a Robot Chicken episode, the Bush twins are revealed to be staying in this place after being replaced by the two Coreys. In a Family Guy episode, James Woods is taken here after Peter and Brian use Reese's Pieces to trap him. The South Park episode "Free Hat" ends with a shot of this place renamed "Red Cross 9/11 Relief Funds." The Office episode "Conflict Resolution" ends with Toby going to a parody of this place. One character in this place unsuccessfully asks (+) Irina Spalko for a compass and then is laughed at after asking a Russian soldier for his bullets. That character escapes it in a rocket sled. This place is clearly inspired by the final shot of the film Citizen Kane. In a Lego game, kryptonite Han Solo can be found in this place. In its most famous appearance, a shot of this place is shown after a man smoking a ridiculous pipe says "We have (\*) top men working on it right now." In that scene, an old man in a blue uniform hammers some nails, secures a padlock, and stencils the words "DO NOT OPEN" on a crate. For 10 points, name this location identified as Hangar 51 in a 2008 film and which contains the Ark of the Covenant in a 1981 film.*

ANSWER the warehouse from the end of Raiders of the Lost Ark [or Hangar 51] [film question]

*A character of this profession tries to heal himself by reading Soren Kierkegaard's Concluding Unscientific Postscript, only to find that the pages all appear blank to him, in John Updike's short story "The Slump." Characters of this profession are the protagonists of stories like "The Kowloon Cafe" and the Picture of Dorian Grey-like "The Indestructible Hadrian Wilks." Sam Fowler has to join this profession after his train inexplicably takes him back in time to 1869 in the Darryl Brock novel If I Never Get Back. Jake Kapp's possibly homoerotic fascination with one of these characters is the subject of Eric Rolfe Greenberg's The Celebrant. Roger Reveshze tells a group of these people with this profession that his having seen his parents murdered in the Holocaust is why an angel now follows him around in a story from The Pacific and Other Stories; that short story about people of this profession is Mark Helprin's "Perfection." Tripper joins this*

profession soon after befriending Robert Fitzgerald and Flannery O'Connor on a trip he won at a cattle show in the short story "How I Got My Nickname." Henry Wiggen concludes, "From here on, I rag nobody" in writing of his time in this job in *Bang the Drum Slowly*, part of a trilogy by Mark Harris. In a Robert Coover novel, Henry Waugh's dice rolls accidentally kill Damon Rutherford, a character with this job made up and loved by Waugh. Agni and (+) Gil Gamesh have this profession in a novel that begins with a prologue in which Word Smith debates Ernest Hemingway about canonical American authors. In a short story, Frank X. Farrell belong to this profession and wins Carey a bet when he admits he gave an engagement ring to Dolly. James Sturm wrote a graphic novel in which characters with this job are led by the "Lion" Noah Strauss, and Christopher Moore wrote a play set in Jim Crow-era Montgomery about people with this job. Steve Kluger's popular *Last Days of Summer* concerns Joey Margolis' mentoring by Charlie Banks, a man with this job. Perhaps a more famous character who works this job performs magic tricks to entertain Gus Sands, becomes enraged at a dwarf named (\*) Otto P. Zipp, and temporarily loses interest in the 33-year-old woman he is dating after finding out she is already a grandmother. One of these characters named Henry Skrimshander is mentored by Mike Schwartz while at Westish College in a 2011 novel by Chad Harbach. Ethan Feld is recruited to become one of these in a mythical world despite being terrible in Michael Chabon's *Summerland*. A character of this profession named Archie Graham appears in a novel titled for a person of this profession, in which Ray fake-abducts J.D. Salinger; that novel was written by W.P. Kinsella. Philip Roth's *The Great American Novel* largely concerns people of this profession. Another of these character titles a Don Delillo short story eventually included as the prologue to his novel *Underworld*, "Pafko at the Wall." Another person with this job is worshipped by Santiago in Hemingway's *The Old Man and the Sea*. A famous literary character with this profession is seduced by Memo Paris, who resents him for his involvement in the death of Bump Baily, and gets shot with a silver bullet by Harriet Bird. Troy Maxson resents never having gotten into this profession in August Wilson's *Fences*. For 10 points, name this profession of Jack Keefe in Ring Lardner's *You Know Me Al*, Ike in Lardner's "Alibi Ike," Roy Hobbs in Bernard Malamud's *The Natural*, and Casey in the poem "Casey at the Bat."

ANSWER: **baseball** player [I don't really care if people say "pitcher," "catcher," or even "manager" at this point]