

The Scandals Packet

Before dying, this man shouted “Shoot straight, you bastards! Don’t make a mess of it!” He earned his nickname for doing things like riding the notorious buckjumper Dargin’s Grey. George Witton described this man and Hancock’s fate in *Scapegoats of the Empire*, and he said his actions were revenge for the death of his “best mate,” Captain Hunt. He was also charged with killing the German missionary Daniel Heese. For 10 points, name this Australian who was court-martialed and executed for his killing of prisoners during the Boer War.

ANSWER: Harry “The Breaker” **Morant**

This incident inspired a John Podhoretz blog entry on “The Corner” in which he used the alias Felix. One of the participants in this incident would use it as inspiration for his entrance essay at a Larry Sabato-taught class. That participant was referred to as “the kid next door...the wired, diverse future” after being named Salon.com’s Person of the Year. After this event, some claimed that a participant only was referring to another man’s hairstyle and denied learning a certain word from his North African mother. During this event, a participant said “welcome to America and the real world of Virginia.” For 10 points, name this 2006 incident when a Virginia Senator apparently used a racial slur to refer to S.R. Sidarth.

ANSWER: The **macaca** incident

This incident featured a man frequently citing the book *Armed Madhouse* and using the word “blowjob.” It began after former Ambassador Dennis Jett’s instructions for procedure were ignored. Prior to it, a man gave a camera to Clarissa Jessup and told her to film what was happening, which included a pointed question about the Skull and Bones society. One of the participants responded to what was going on by saying “Unfortunately, he is not available to swear me in as President.” This incident began when Andrew Meyer jumped a line to ask a rambling question to John Kerry. For 10 points, name this incident where a Florida student was violently restrained by the police.

ANSWER: **“Don’t tase me, bro!”**

The creator of this work said he was inspired by both the events depicted in it and the death of Stanley Kubrick. USC withdrew funding from the Slamdance festival after it honored this work. In this work, the protagonists visit Pikachu at the Isle of Lost Souls and deliver a copy of *Ecce Homo* to Nietzsche before fighting and defeating Satan. This work features characters placing timed bombs at a cafeteria and then killing as many people as possible. Created by Colorado resident Danny Ledonne, this game was reviled in the media. For 10 points, name this freeware game based on a school shooting.

ANSWER: **Super Columbine Massacre RPG!**

This movie ends with a blooper reel and a report on the death of General Vernon Walters. This film uses famous names like “Dave Bowman” and “George Kaplan” for its characters as clues about its identity, and one character is marked for death after he requests a special camera to make *Barry Lyndon*. The director used intentionally vague interviews with Stanley Kubrick’s widow and footage of men like Henry Kissinger, and the film concludes with Richard Nixon ordering the death of Kubrick so he cannot expose the deception. For 10 points, name this

mockumentary by William Karel which “exposed” the fact that the Apollo 11 moon landing was completely faked.

ANSWER: **Dark Side of the Moon**

During an election for this position, Lauren Weiner illegally obtained a copy of a candidate’s TransUnion credit report. A blogger for one of the candidates wrote that she was a “sex object” for Jewish friends of that candidate. A man running for this position was accused of using campaign funds to pay his sister’s company, Brown Sugar Unlimited, for nebulous “catering” charges. That candidate, his state’s lieutenant governor at the time, compared slavery with embryonic stem cell research and was also depicted as a blackface minstrel. For 10 points, name this position won in 2006 by Ben Cardin over Michael Steele.

ANSWER: **Senator from Maryland**

This man encouraged Al Gore to abandon journalism and enter politics. He wrote the book *A Honorable Profession* as a tribute to his friend Robert F. Kennedy. This man wrote that “we live in a universe of new media with phenomenal opportunities,” yet also filled with “volunteer vandals with poison-pen intellects,” which occurred after a Wikipedia entry claimed he was once accused of being connected to the Kennedy assassination. For 10 points, name this legendary Tennessee journalist and friend of the Kennedy family, who personally interfered to stop violence against Freedom Riders.

ANSWER: John **Seigenthaler**

The revelation that this thing existed prompted Florence Cohen to file a lawsuit, and the National Parent-Teacher Association received \$873,000 in a class action lawsuit against Take-Two. This thing is basically responsible for the passage of the Family Entertainment Protection Act, and it features a member of the Grove Street Families interacting with such people as a nurse in her house. This thing resulted in a rating going from M to Adults Only. For 10 points, name this minigame depicting sex which appears in *Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas*.

ANSWER: **Hot Coffee**

The controversy over this phrase was satirized in the Jane Ganahl article “Shut up and get a life, already.” This phrase was attacked by radio host Glenn Sacks, who has vigorously attacked its creator, Todd Goldman, in various media debates. Numerous places in Canada refused to sell merchandise with this phrase, which was cited as an example of a double standard by Rush Limbaugh. For 10 points, name this phrase opposed by “fathers rights” activist Sacks, which he claimed was an example of misandry for apparently encouraging violence against males.

ANSWER: **“Boys are stupid, throw rocks at them!”**

This man was a former member of the Fighting Diamondbacks regiment and attempted to warn people about the threat of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease. This person claimed to be a Florida based soldier assigned to retrieve an IBM 5100 computer. This man claimed that Omaha would become the new capital after 2014’s World War III after years of civil unrest, which Wikipedia notes did not actually happen and was probably based on a reading of *Alas, Babylon*. For 10 points, name this 2000 Internet poster who claimed to be a time traveler from 2036.

ANSWER: John **Titor**

In one scene in this work, a woman shouts at an offscreen person to “fold your dog’s ear back.” That person’s “weekend wind-down” routine includes watching *60 Minutes*. A supporting character in this work is referred to as “Maroon Golf,” and one character responds to a film about the Hindenburg disaster by shouting “that’s gotta hurt!” until he is upstaged by a laser pointer wielding person. This work culminates when men posing as Pennypacker, Vandelay, and Varnsen enter an apartment, and a certain flag outside is set on fire by Kramer. For 10 points, name this controversial *Seinfeld* episode that takes place during an ethnic parade.

ANSWER: “The **Puerto Rican Day**”

This idea was first popularized by the 1972 Rockefeller Commission, which cited a 1966 Swedish study. In 2005, Bill Bennett’s explicit statement of a racialized form of this idea was criticized, despite Bennett saying it “was morally reprehensible.” This idea was satirized by Jessica Reyes, who proposed the passage of the Clean Air Act could be an equally valid link. It was infamously John Donohue and Steven Levitt, and appears in chapter four of *Freakonomics*. For 10 points, name this controversial theory about what happens when a very specific form of birth control is legalized.

ANSWER: legalizing **abortion lowers crime**

This event was chastised in essays by mathematician Gabriel Stolzenberg, who defended the Strong programme. Bruno Latour called it a “tempest in a teapot” and most of it was summarized in the book *Fashionable Nonsense*. Jacques Derrida called it “sad.” This event was inspired by a reading of the book *Higher Superstition*, which mocked the academic left. The event centered on a special “Science Wars” issue of *Social Text*, and featured a claim that quantum gravity is a social and linguistic construct. For 10 points, name this scandal in which a physics professor deliberately submitted a ludicrous essay.

ANSWER: Alan **Sokal** affair

During this incident, one of the participants told the others that “money’s made you soft” and asked if he ever smoked “endo.” Afterwards, the other participant joked that “Mother Teresa is going to drop by.” The first participant continually tried to make the other one smell her underwear during it, and quickly began smoking a cigar. Its most infamous moment came when the female participant said “I don’t know why I get so much shit” and referred to the host in an insulting way when he made sexual comments. For 10 points, name this 1994 incident when a singer infamously used profanity on a late night show.

ANSWER: **Madonna saying “fuck” on David Letterman**’s show

This event began after an article written by Maureen Cleave, who was impressed with a man’s library at Kenwood, although the article itself arose no controversy until a piece of it was quoted in the magazine *Datebook*. The Memphis city council strove to cancel the usage of the Mid-South Coliseum in its wake, and the key line in the scandal was followed by the sentence “It’s them twisting it that ruins it for me,” a reference to the “thick and ordinary” disciples. For 10 points, name this 1966 incident which prompted DJ’s to organize record burnings, a comparison of a Beatle to the group and a Christian icon.

ANSWER: John **Lennon** saying the Beatles were **more popular than Jesus**

After the premiere of this play, director Keith Fowler would be hired by the Yale School of Drama. Fowler refused to remove a homosexual kiss and the word “fuck” from its production, angering the government in Richmond. The playwright’s own daughter, Laura, played the lead in 1986. Its protagonist is a mathematician, who while writing her will, thinks about a man who was “mad, bad, and dangerous to know.” For 10 points, name this Romulus Linney play about the relationship between the title poet and his daughter, Ada Lovelace.

ANSWER: **Childe Byron**

This scandal resulted in the indefinite suspension of Alton Maddox. The person at the center of it was apparently visiting Todd Buxton in prison and was trying to placate her stepfather, Ralph King. Afterwards, Johnnie Cochran and others would donate the \$65,000 fined one person at the center of it, who accused ADA Steven Pagonis of being involved. This scandal began in Wappingers Falls, New York, where a woman was found in a garbage bag with words like “KKK” and “Bitch” written on her torso. For 10 points, name this scandal involving a black woman who filed phony rape allegations in 1987.

ANSWER: The Tawana **Brawley** scandal

In one speech, this man is referred to as “a fake-ass prima donna,” with the speaker noting “he becomes human when you fucking that out that outside ACL.” That reference came in a speech where this man’s teammate is the reference to the frequent refrain, “kill the head, the body will die.” This man tweeted “#fake fake fake” in a message imploring ESPN to “show me where this guy is the best.” That occurred after this man was called “mediocre” and “a sorry receiver” by Richard Sherman. For 10 points, name this San Francisco 49er’s wide receiver.

ANSWER: Michael **Crabtree**

This controversy resulted in G. William Hoagland being forced to resign, and on the same day of its announcement, the White House purchased gold-embossed china that cost over \$200,000. This particular controversy was the most high profile aspect of a plan created in reaction to subsidy cuts enacted by the Omnibus Regulation Acts of 1980 and 1981. The original report did not actually name the most remembered product, instead using pickle relish as an example. For 10 points, name this controversy attacked by nutrition experts which offered a “new” definition of a certain condiment.

ANSWER: **Ketchup is a vegetable**

Shortly after this incident, James Edward Smith prank-called CNN and almost got the network to state that one of the participants had died. In the first episode of *King of the Hill*, Hank says this incident was the last time Detroit “felt any real pride.” Wikipedia insists that prior to it, one of the participants had played a strenuous game of tennis with Walter Mondale with the Crown Prince and Emperor. For 10 points, name this 1992 incident in which a President committed a health faux pas at a Japanese banquet.

ANSWER: George H.W. **Bush vomiting**

In response to this incident, Sheldon Hackney tried to broker a deal, and while it does not involve rape, Larry Moneta grudgingly admitted “All speech is free” during it. John Chancellor, during a televised commentary, bemoaned that “the culture of victimization is hunting for quarry” and blasted “bozos.” Alan Charles Kors advised Eden Jacobowitz to contest his original

charges and defend his word choice as Hebrew slang. For 10 points, name this incident at Penn where a student was accused of racial harassment after calling someone an animal's name.

ANSWER: The water buffalo incident

This incident prompted a Devo song about one of the participants becoming "unleashed." An explanation for this event involved one of the participants having diarrhea. That participant, which Wikipedia claims was killed by a feral cat colony, was named Seamus. This incident began during a trip to Beach O'Pines, Ontario, with the central family having left their home in Belmont, Massachusetts. Used as a character attack by Rick Santorum and Newt Gingrich, this incident was generally dismissed by PETA. For 10 points, name this incident in which the 2012 Republican nominee took a vacation with his pet.

ANSWER: Mitt Romney/dog incident

This work was praised by Andrea Morabito in a *New York Post* article, which praised the protagonist for not "sitting around idly," a claim also parroted on a *Fox and Friends* analysis and refuted by Al Sharpton. This work features the protagonist saying the line "Unemployment may be fun for you, but I need to get a job," before that protagonist begins working at a hot dog joint and taco restaurant. The main character in this work is fired to save a nickel, but ends up again working at the Krusty Krab. For 10 points, name this politically controversial episode of *SpongeBob SquarePants*.

ANSWER: "SpongeBob, You're Fired!"

One of the participants in this incident had previously tried to revive former Celtics star Reggie Lewis with CPR after Lewis suffered a heart attack. Afterwards, Justin Barrett was suspended for writing an e-mail suggesting he would have used pepper spray on one participant, whom he called "a banana-eating jungle monkey." This incident began when a man returning home after a research trip to China and to be confronted by Sgt. James Crowley. It was somewhat resolved by the so-called "beer summit" orchestrated by Barack Obama. For 10 points, name this incident in which a black Harvard professor was arrested when trying to break into his own home.

ANSWER: The Henry Louis Gates arrest incident

A central object in this incident was sold to Mike Fruitman for over \$2,000, with the proceeds going to tsunami victims. One of the participants had proposed the reality show *The Science Detectives* and had appeared on *Wife Swap* with his Japanese wife, Mayumi. In a video depicting this incident, a man shouts "You didn't put the fucking tether down!" This incident was further exposed when the idiotically named "Falcon" admitted on live television that it was all part of a "show." For 10 points, name this 2009 hoax in which Colorado parents claimed their son floated away on a certain conveyance.

ANSWER: The balloon boy hoax

Parodies of this book have been written by Ann Magnuson and Greg Scarnici. The author used the alias "Mistress Dita," and a *SNL* sketch has its book on tape version recorded by Charlton Heston. This book was sold wrapped and sealed in a Mylar bag. The author says her "pussy" is a temple of learning, and the Vatican was outraged of photos showing the author shaving a naked man's public hair, among many others. For 10 points, name this coffee table book by Madonna, which consists of erotic photographs.

ANSWER: *Sex*