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Varsity Practice Round 15

American Literature:

Team A: In 1930, what American author of *Dodsworth* and *Elmer Gantry* became the first American to win the Nobel Prize in Literature?

Sinclair Lewis

Team B: In 1936, what American playwright of *Mourning Becomes Electra* and *The Hairy Ape* became the second American to win the Nobel Prize in Literature?

Eugene O'Neill

Toss-Up: In 1938, what American author won the Nobel Prize in Literature for "for her rich and truly epic descriptions of peasant life in China and for her biographical masterpieces"? She wrote *The Good Earth*.

Pearl S. Buck

Mathematics: 30 seconds - Find the sum of each pair of fractions. Give your answer in lowest terms.

Team B: two thirds, one ninth

Seven ninths

Team A: three eighths, one fourth

Five eighths

Toss-Up: four fifteenths, one third

Three fifths

World History:

Team A: What country, a former British colony, was formerly known as Ceylon until 1972?

Sri Lanka

Team B: What country, a former British colony, was formerly known as Southern Rhodesia until 1980?

Zimbabwe

Toss-Up: What country, a former British colony, was formerly known as Gold Coast until 1957?

Ghana

Fine Arts:

Team B: What Russian composer wrote a version of *Romeo and Juliet* as well as *The Nutcracker*?

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Team A: What Russian composer wrote a version of *Romeo and Juliet* as well as *Peter and the Wolf*?

Sergei Prokofiev

Toss-Up: What Russian composer wrote *Boris Godunov*, *Night on Bald Mountain* and *Pictures at an Exhibition*?

Modest Mussorgsky

Life Science:

Team A: What fat-soluble vitamin is important in low-light and color vision has a precursor, beta-carotene?

Vitamin A

Team B: What important vitamin is concentrated in citrus fruits and is also known as ascorbic acid?

Vitamin C

Toss-Up: What important vitamin found in milk can be produced in the skin from exposure to sunlight?

Vitamin D

World Literature:

Team B: What character kills Hamlet's father by pouring poison in his ear while he sleeps in Shakespeare's *Hamlet*?

Claudius

Team A: At the beginning of Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, the title character murders what elderly King of Scotland?

King Duncan

Toss-Up: In what brutal manner does Portia kill herself in Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*?

She eats hot coals (accept equivalents)

Government:

Team A: The "double jeopardy" clause is a part of which Amendment to the Constitution?

Fifth

Team B: The Fifth Amendment has a "due process" clause but what other Amendment is better known for its "due process" clause?

Fourteenth

Toss-Up: Which Amendment in the U.S. Constitution contains a "cruel and unusual punishment" clause?

Eighth

Physical Science:

Team B: What chemical element, with the symbol Ac, comes first in an alphabetical listing of all chemical elements?

Actinium

Team A: What chemical element, with the symbol Zr, comes last in an alphabetical listing of all chemical elements?

Zirconium

Toss-Up: Like zirconium, zinc is a part of what set of chemical elements located between the s and p blocks of elements?

Transition metals

Geography: Given the largest city of a state, name its capital.

Team A: Boston

Boston

Team B: Phoenix

Phoenix

Toss-Up: In the Silver State, Las Vegas

Carson City

American History:

Team B: The Tet Offensive was a series of military campaigns launched against American forces in which war?

Vietnam War

Team A: The Battle of Inchon was a victory for American forces in which war?

Korean War

Toss-Up: In what war were American forces successful at the Battle of Midway?

World War II

Alphabet Round - Letter O

1. Conjunction used to describe a choice between two things.
2. Name for a scientist who studies birds.
3. The only U.S. President who fits the category.
4. Character in Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* who marries Sebastian.
5. A beast of burden used in farming and transportation; it is usually a male bovine that has been castrated.
6. MULTI-WORD ANSWER - Play by Tom Taylor which is best known for being the production at which President Lincoln was assassinated in 1865.
7. TWO-WORD ANSWER - Patriotic song composed by George M. Cohan in 1917.
8. Collective name for meats that come from internal organs, such as foie gras.
9. TWO-WORD ANSWER - Boy band which went on "hiatus" in the beginning of 2016.
10. Chemical element whose name comes from Greek for "acid producer."
11. Brand of automobiles that was produced for over 100 years by General Motors, who discontinued the brand in 2004.
12. Online travel company which was bought by Expedia in 2015.
13. Popular sandwich cookie that consists of two chocolate cookies and a white cream filling.
14. Fatty acid, also known as octadecanoic acid, which is found in cooking oils.
15. County in California where Disneyland is located.
16. Franciscan monk of the Middle Ages whose name is lent to a principle with a "razor."
17. A series of accords between Israel and the PLO which is named for the European capital city where they were negotiated.
18. A type of medication rubbed onto the skin, made from waxes and oils.
19. Billionaire media figure who is known by her first name; she hosted a namesake talk show for 25 years and has a cable network and monthly magazine.
20. Bone disease which makes bones easier to break because of a loss of material within the bone.

Alphabet Round - Letter O Answers

1. Or
2. Ornithologist
3. (Barack) Obama
4. Olivia
5. Ox
6. *Our American Cousin* (MULTI-WORD ANSWER)
7. "Over There" (TWO-WORD ANSWER)
8. Offal
9. One Direction (TWO-WORD ANSWER)
10. Oxygen
11. Oldsmobile
12. Orbitz
13. Oreo
14. Oleic (acid)
15. Orange (County)
16. Ockham or Occam
17. Oslo (Accords)
18. Ointment
19. Oprah (Winfrey)
20. Osteoporosis

Final Round

1. What European country is comprised of divisions known as cantons?

Switzerland

2. What British author created David Morel in the book *Sons and Lovers*?

D.H. Lawrence

3. What periodic element has atomic number 62 and is symbolized Sm?

Samarium

4. In what country would one find Mount Kosciuszko (KOH-skee-you-skoe)?

Australia

5. What American author wrote *Dandelion Wine*?

Ray Bradbury

6. In what state did the Civil War battles of Middle Creek and Perryville take place?

Kentucky

7. If six ounces of silver sell for \$340, what will nine ounces of silver sell for, assuming the same rate?

\$510

8. What title character was deserted on her wedding night by Angel Clare in a novel by Thomas Hardy?

Tess Durbeyfield or Tess of the d'Urbervilles

9. Which U.S. State is nicknamed the "Beehive State"?

Utah

10. What is the chemical formula for the compound copper (II) oxide?

CuO

11. What pale blue gas that is poisonous to humans is sometimes called "tri-oxygen"?

Ozone

12. What is log base two of thirty two?

Five

13. "Cat and Bird" and "Fish Magic" are works of art by what Swiss-German painter?

Paul Klee (pronounced "Klay")

14. What African country has its capital at Gaborone?

Botswana

15. Most of the aircraft that were part of the Doolittle Raid on Tokyo were forced to crash land in what other country?

China

16. What European power colonized Aruba?

The Netherlands (accept Holland)

17. What city in Tennessee shares its name with an Egyptian city near Giza?

Memphis

18. What American dancer was killed when she leaned out a window and accidentally caught her scarf in the wheels and axle of the car she was riding in, immediately breaking her neck?

Isadora Duncan

19. It's not Libya, but Tripoli is the second-largest city in what country whose capital is Beirut?

Lebanon

20. If you crossed the Mason-Dixon Line for north to south, you would cross from what state into what other state?

Pennsylvania into Maryland (must be in the correct order)