

Varsity Practice Round 17

American Literature:

Team A: What non-fiction novel by Truman Capote tells the story of the brutal murders of the Clutter family in Kansas?

In Cold Blood

Team B: Capote was childhood friends with what author of *To Kill a Mockingbird*?

Harper Lee

Toss-Up: The protagonist is described as an "American geisha" in what other Capote novel centering on the social exploits of Holly Golightly in New York City?

Breakfast at Tiffany's

Mathematics:

Team B: What three-letter word is the name given to the result of an addition operation?

Sum

Team A: What eight-letter word is the name given to the result of a division operation?

Quotient

Toss-Up: What operation gives a result known as a difference?

Subtraction

World History: Questions in this category will concern "colorful" revolutions.

Team A: The Orange Revolution of 2004 surrounding apparent electoral fraud occurred in what eastern European country with capital at Kiev?

Ukraine

Team B: The Rose Revolution of 2003 surrounding electoral reform occurred in what eastern European country which should not be confused with a southern U.S. State?

Georgia

Toss-Up: In what country did the Cedar Revolution of 2005 occur in?

Lebanon

Fine Arts: Identify some of these members of the inaugural class of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1986.

Team B: What 1986 inductee was an American singer-songwriter and dancer nicknamed the "Godfather of Soul" and performed hits like "It's a Man's Man's Man's World", "I Got You (I Feel Good)" and "Get Up Offa That Thing"?

James Brown

Team A: What 1986 inductee was an American singer-songwriter and pianist nicknamed "The High Priest of Soul" that performed hits like "Hit the Road Jack", "I Can't Stop Loving You" and a memorable cover of "Georgia On My Mind" despite being blind?

Ray Charles

Toss-Up: What 1986 inductee was an American singer-songwriter and actor who was born thirty-five minutes after his stillborn twin brother and who recorded such hits as "Jailhouse Rock", "Love Me Tender", "Heartbreak Hotel" and "Hound Dog"?

Elvis Presley (accept either underlined portion)

Life Science:

Team A: What is the anatomical name for the skull?

Cranium

Team B: What is the anatomical name for the breastbone?

Sternum

Toss-Up: What is the anatomical name for the tailbone?

Coccyx

World Literature:

Team B: Dmitry, Ivan and Alyosha are the title siblings in what Dostoevsky novel that sees the alcoholic father Fyodor murdered by his illegitimate child Smerdyakov?

The Brothers Karamazov

Team A: The epileptic Prince Myshkin is the title simpleton of what novel by Dostoevsky in which Rogozhin murders Natasha after Natasha left the title character at the altar?

The Idiot

Toss-Up: *The Brothers Karamazov*, and *The Idiot* are both works by what famous Russian author that also wrote *Notes from Underground* and *Crime and Punishment*?

Fyodor Dostoevsky

Government:

Team A: Prior to becoming President, George W. Bush served as governor of what state?

Texas

Team B: Prior to becoming President, Jimmy Carter served as governor of what state?

Georgia

Toss-Up: Prior to becoming President, Ronald Reagan was a governor of what Western state?

California

Physical Science:

Team B: What is the typical charge formed when a neutral atom of iodine is changed to an ion?

Negative one or minus one

Team A: What is the typical charge formed when a neutral atom of calcium is changed to an ion?

Positive two or plus two

Toss-Up: How many chloride ions would be needed to balance the charge of an aluminum ion when they form a compound?

Three

Geography: Questions will deal with the geography of Luxembourg.

Team A: Luxembourg shares borders with Germany, France, and what other European country?

Belgium

Team B: The northern portion of Luxembourg is a mostly forested area that also is found in Belgium. This forested area is known by what name, the same name as a battle of World War I?

Ardennes (Ar-DEN) Forest

Toss-Up: A region of eastern Luxembourg shares similar features to another mountainous country of Europe. Name this other country, which has a "Little" version of itself in Luxembourg, but perhaps no army knives or holey cheese.

Switzerland (the part of Luxembourg is known as "Little Switzerland")

American History:

Team B: In what state was the Battle of Spotsylvania fought between the Union and the Confederacy in May of 1864?

Virginia

Team A: In what state was the Battle of Fort Donelson fought between Union and Confederate forces in February of 1862?

Tennessee

Toss-Up: From May 18 to July 4, the Confederacy fought but lost to Union forces in the Siege of Vicksburg, which occurred in which state?

Mississippi

Alphabet Round - Letter R

1. Julius Caesar legendarily crossed this shallow river in northeastern Italy in 49 BC.
2. Daughter of Uranus and Gaia that was the sister and wife of Cronus. This Titaness is considered the mother of the Olympians.
3. In physics, this happens when light or other electromagnetic radiation from an object is increased in wavelength.
4. Man that served as Deputy Chief of Staff and Senior Advisor during the Presidency of George W. Bush and since 2007, has worked as a political analyst on Fox News.
5. American composer of Broadway musicals known for his partnerships with Oscar Hammerstein.
6. Brightest star in the constellation Leo.
7. TWO OR THREE-WORD ANSWER - American video game franchise whose newest release is *World* and that is abbreviated among gamers as RCT.
8. French author of *Gargantua and Pantagruel*.
9. English colony in existence from 1585-1590 known as "The Lost Colony" after its inhabitants seemed to vanish.
10. Fictional male reindeer often called "Santa's Ninth Reindeer".
11. Latin term for "king".
12. French philosopher who wrote *Emile, or On Education* as well as *The Social Contract*.
13. Jewish-American choreographer and dancer who choreographed such works as *Fancy Free*, *The King and I* and *West Side Story*.
14. Legendary head football coach at Notre Dame who popularized the forward pass and delivered the famous "win just one for the Gipper" phrase.
15. MULTI-WORD ANSWER - River formed by the confluence of the Uruguay and Parana Rivers that forms part of the border between Uruguay and Argentina before emptying into the Atlantic Ocean.
16. French writer of *Cyrano de Bergerac*.
17. Chemical element with symbol Rn.
18. Chess piece often mistakenly called "the castle".
19. Nickname of the NHL team that plays in New York City and fits this category.
20. Bohemian-Austrian poet and novelist who wrote *Letters to a Young Poet* and *The Duino Elegies*.

Alphabet Round - Letter R Answers

1. Rubicon (River)
2. Rhea
3. Redshift
4. (Karl) Rove
5. (Richard) Rodgers
6. Regulus
7. *Rollercoaster Tycoon* or *Roller Coaster Tycoon* (TWO OR THREE-WORD ANSWER)
8. (Francois) Rabelais
9. Roanoke
10. Rudolph
11. Rex
12. (Jean-Jacques) Rousseau
13. (Jerome) Robbins
14. (Knute) Rockne
15. Rio de la Plata (MULTI-WORD ANSWER)
16. (Edmond) Rostand
17. Radon
18. Rook
19. Rangers
20. (Rainer Maria) Rilke

Final Round

1. What company produces the Xbox One as well as software such as Windows, Excel, PowerPoint and Word?

Microsoft

2. What is the English translation of "Magna Carta"?

Great Charter

3. What woman allegedly rode naked through the streets of Coventry to protest taxation?

Lady Godiva

4. What "Great" ruler founded the Persian Empire in the 6th century B.C.?

Cyrus the Great

5. What U.S. department is responsible for issuing passports?

Department of State

6. What element was once known as "quicksilver"?

Mercury

7. James Montgomery Flagg drew a famous depiction of Uncle Sam pointing at the viewer and containing what three-word phrase?

"I Want You!"

8. The southern terminus for U.S. Route 1 is located in what Florida city?

Key West

9. Over 90% of Mount Rushmore was carved using what explosive?

Dynamite

10. What two chemical elements make up the compound used as table salt?

Sodium and Chlorine (either order)

11. At what two degree measures of x is the equation $\cos x$ equals one true?

0 and 360 degrees (either order)

12. What cluster found in the constellation Taurus is named for the seven daughters of Atlas?

The Pleiades

13. In *Romeo and Juliet*, what character proclaims "A plague on both your houses!"?

Mercutio

14. What English Romantic poet wrote "The Destruction of Sennacherib"?

George Gordon, Lord Byron

15. What is the only walled city in North America?

Quebec

16. In 1959, Singapore gained its independence from what European nation?

United Kingdom or Great Britain or England

17. In what quadrant does the point negative four comma negative four lie on the Cartesian plane?

Third or Three

18. What "N" term names the sometimes-illegal but nearly-always unethical granting of political favors to relatives?

Nepotism

19. What is the eccentricity of a parabola?

One

20. What tiny nation is the least populous country in *Central America* and has its capital at *Belmopan*?

Belize