

A wide-angle, low-angle photograph of a snowy mountain range at night. The sky is dark blue with visible stars. In the foreground, a small village with numerous lit windows is nestled in a valley. A large, brightly lit building with a red roof is prominent in the lower-left foreground. The background features several majestic, snow-covered mountain peaks under a dark sky.

# MARVEL Retreat Pub Quiz

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# How it works

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- the quizmaster is *always* right!

# Example puzzles

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2. Ceriotti

3. Pizzi

4. \_\_\_\_\_

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# Round 1: All good things

*Remember the round title!*

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2. Which song opens with the following lyrics

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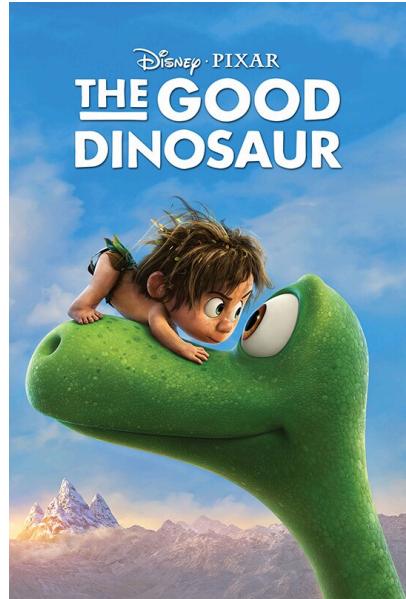
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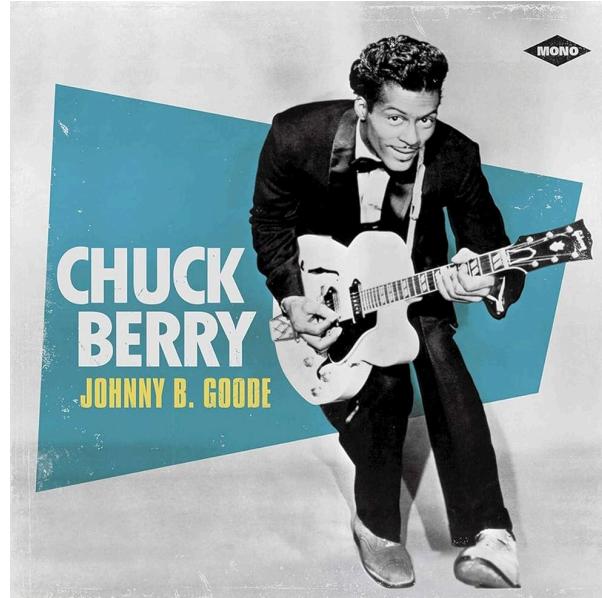
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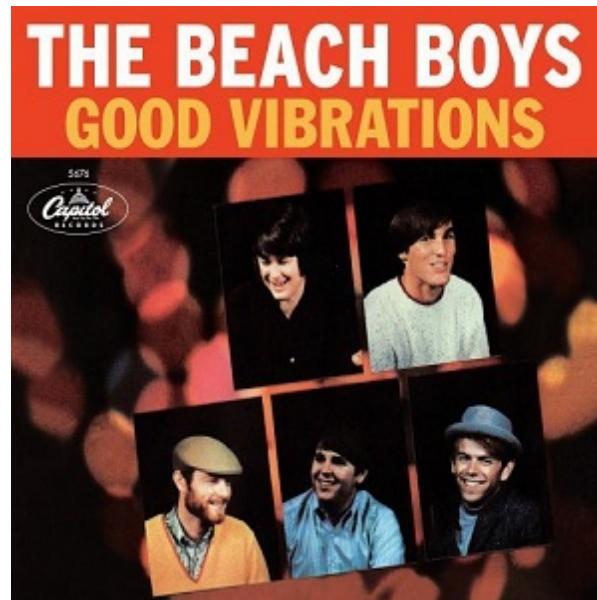
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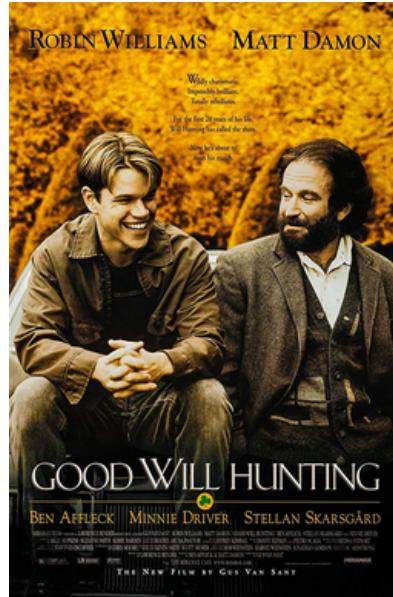
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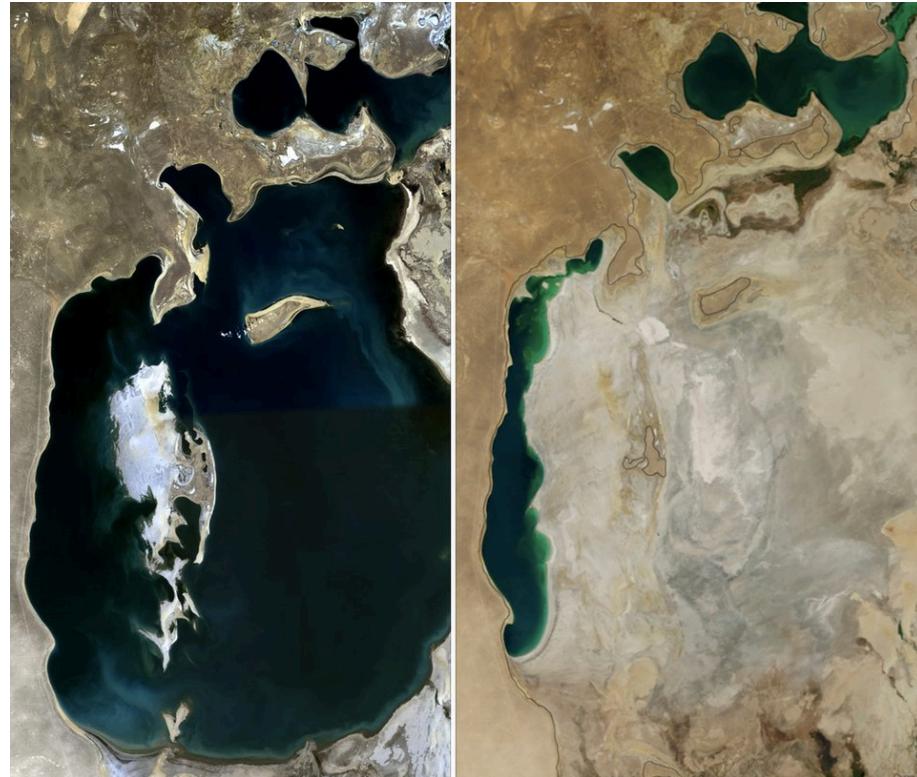


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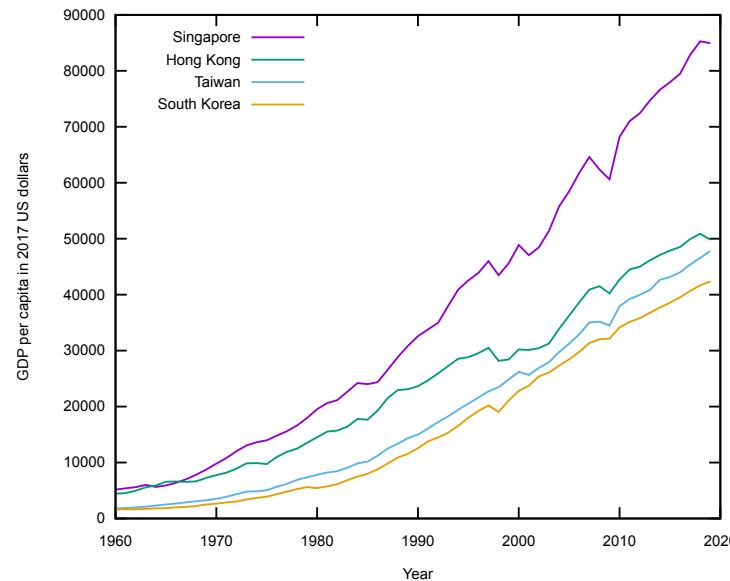
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**Round 3: Will it be a fairytale  
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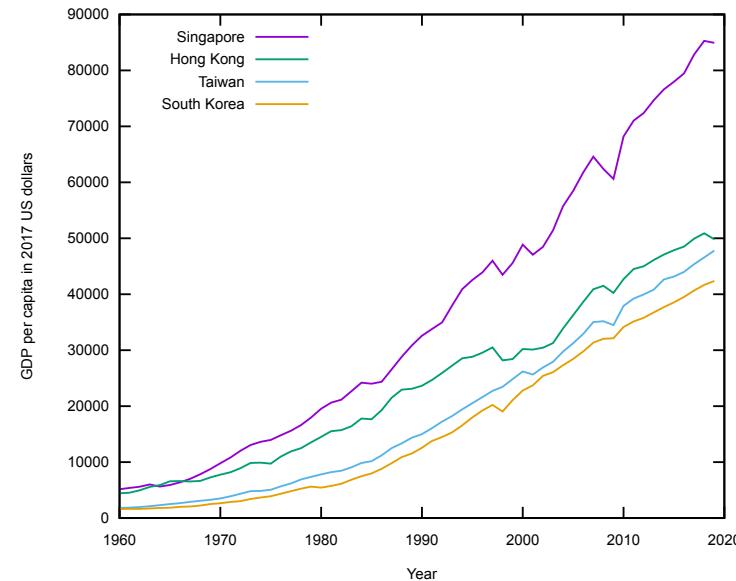


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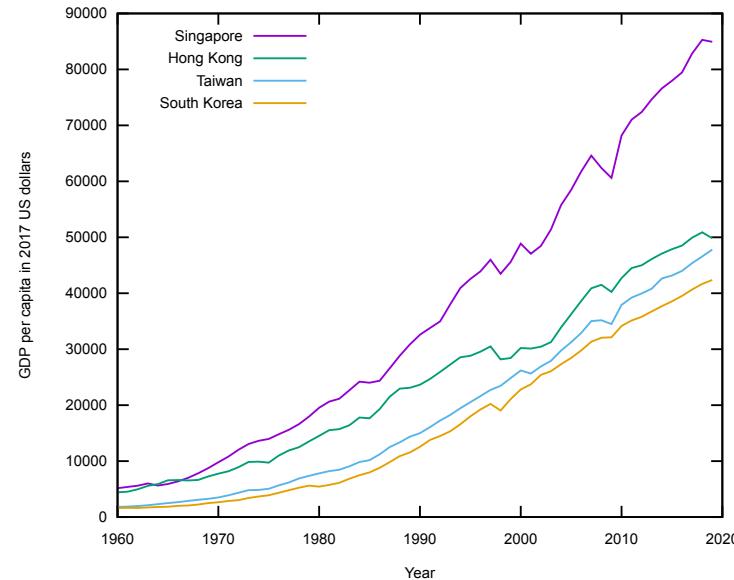


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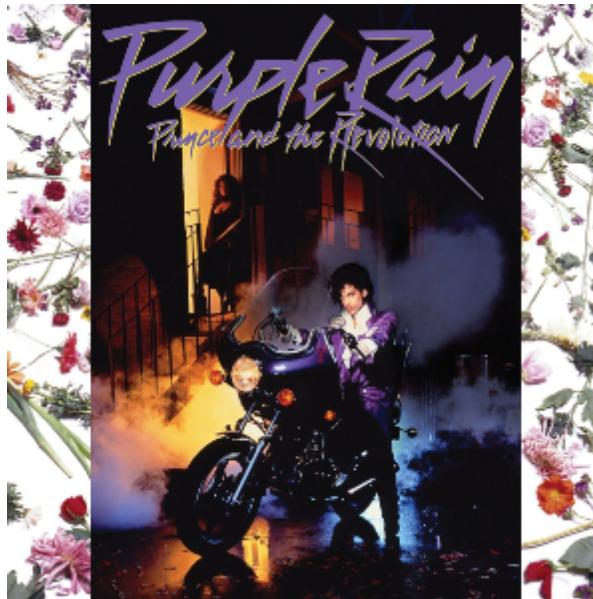
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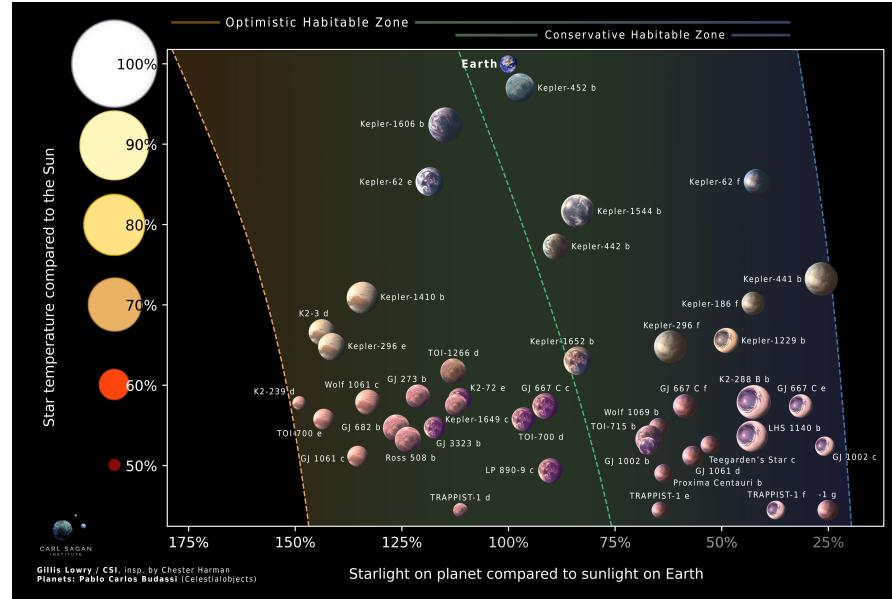
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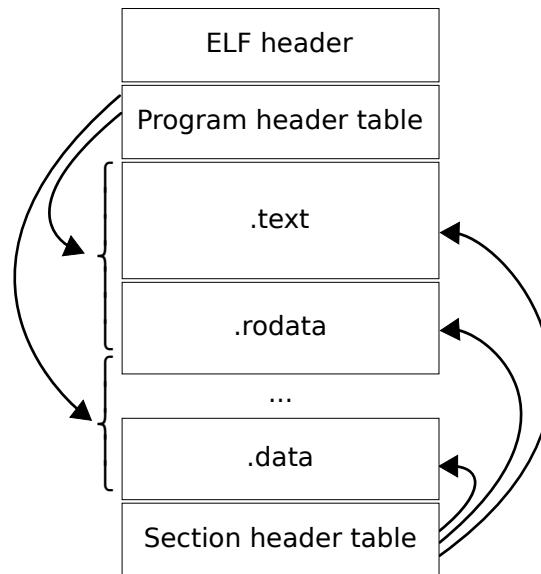
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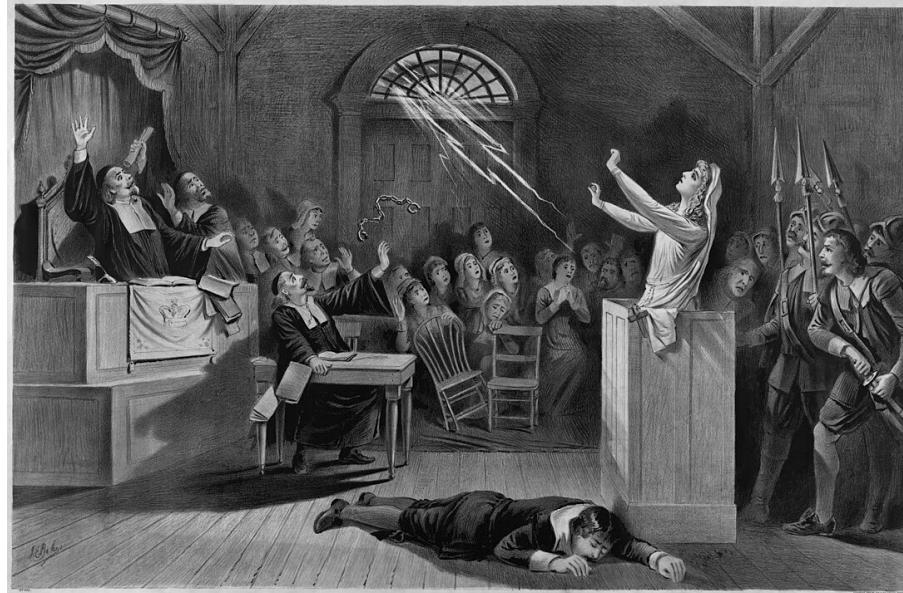


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**Round 4: It's the final countdown**

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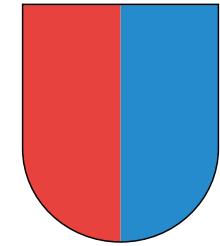
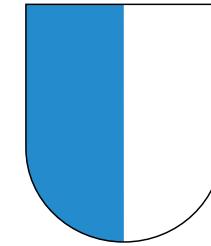
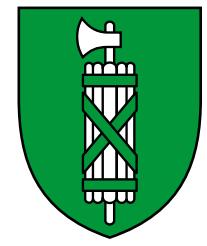
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2. Football clubs that have won the Champions League/European Cup the most times (i.e. at least twice; there are 13 such clubs)

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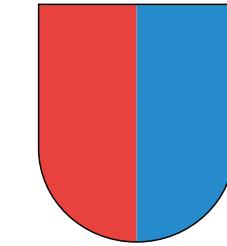
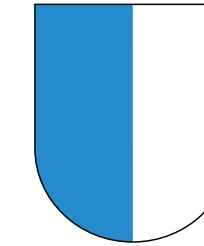
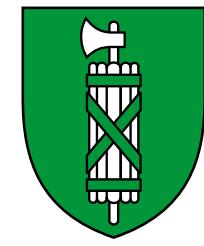
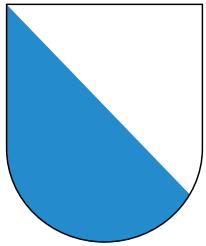
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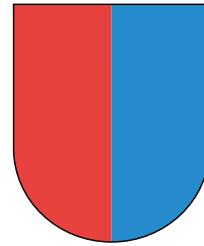
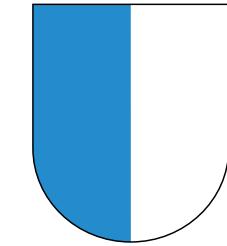
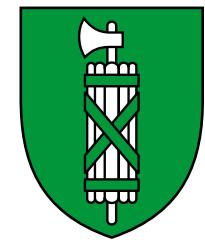
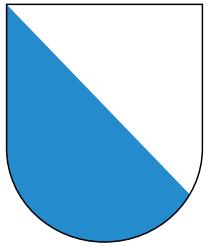
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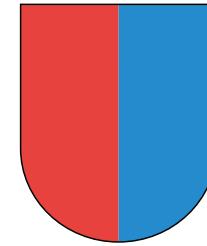
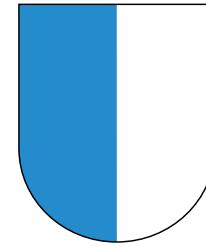
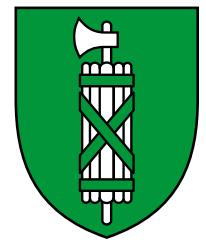
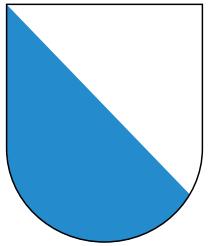
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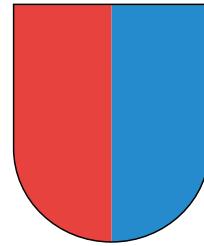
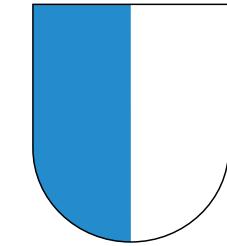
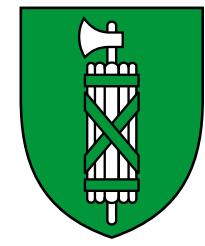
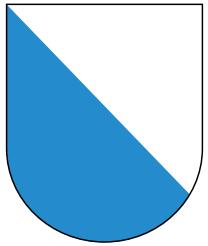
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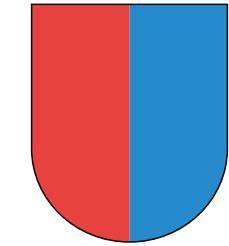
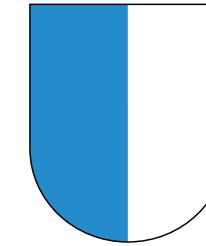
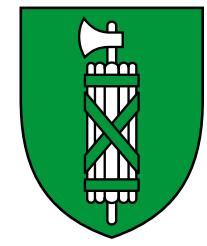
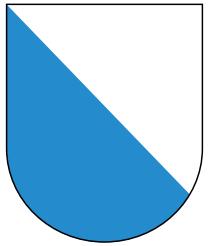
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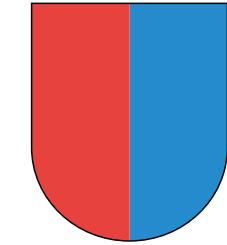
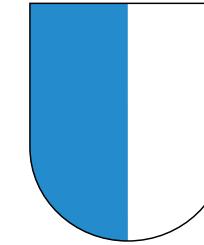
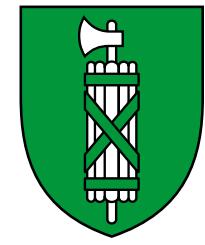
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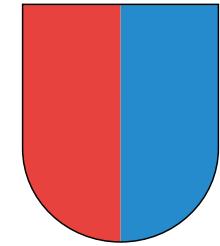
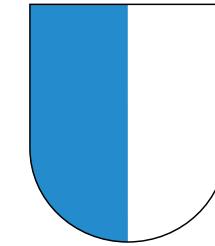
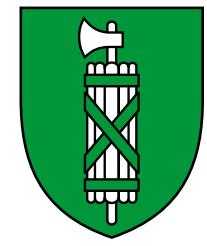
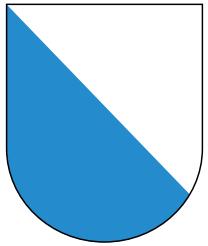
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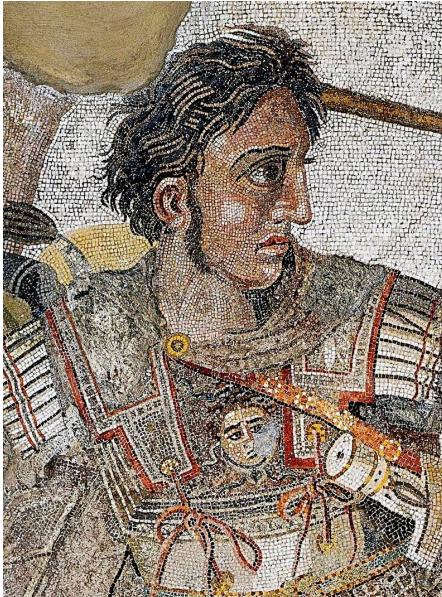
**Round 5: 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, ...**

*The answers to this round are the numbers 1 through 8  
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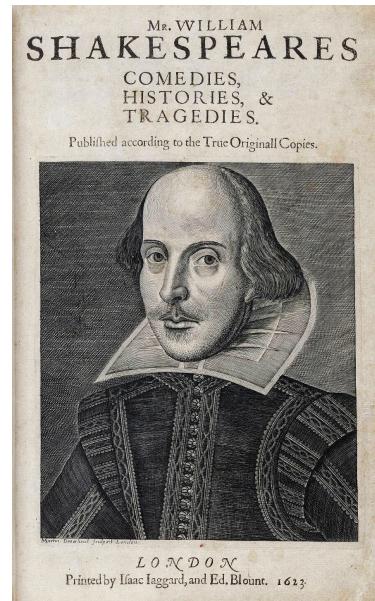
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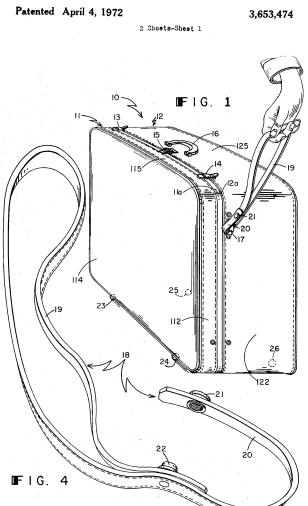
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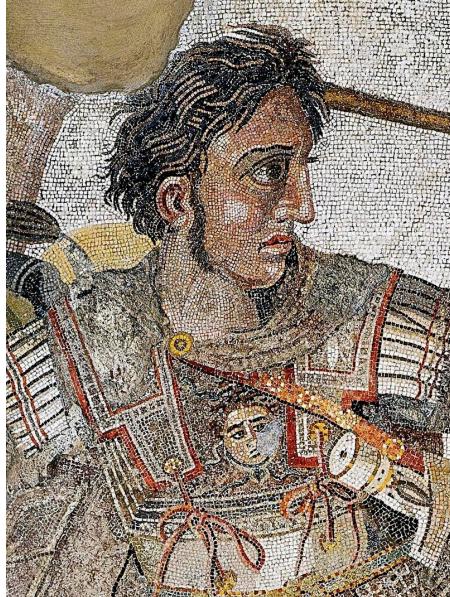
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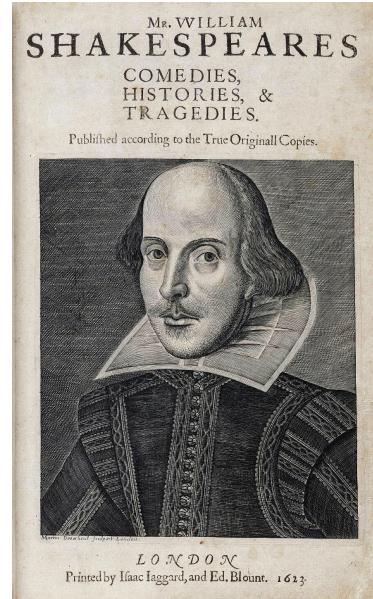


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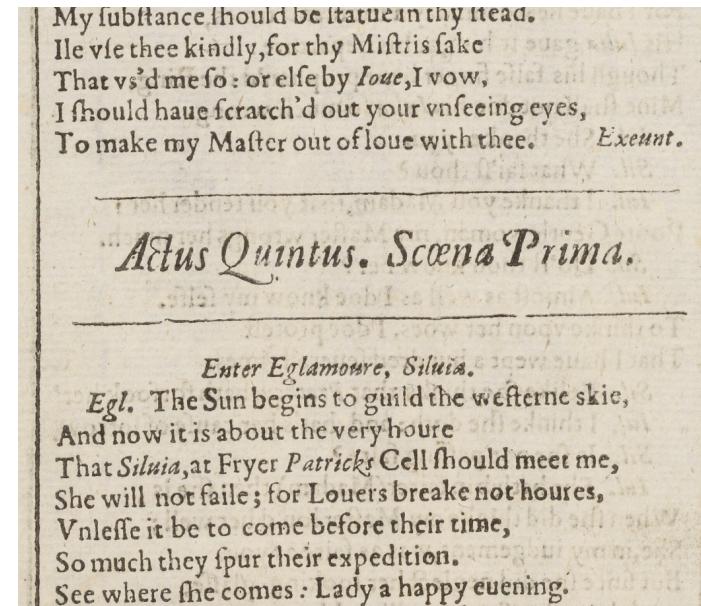


8 (Canada, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Russia, Sweden and the United States)

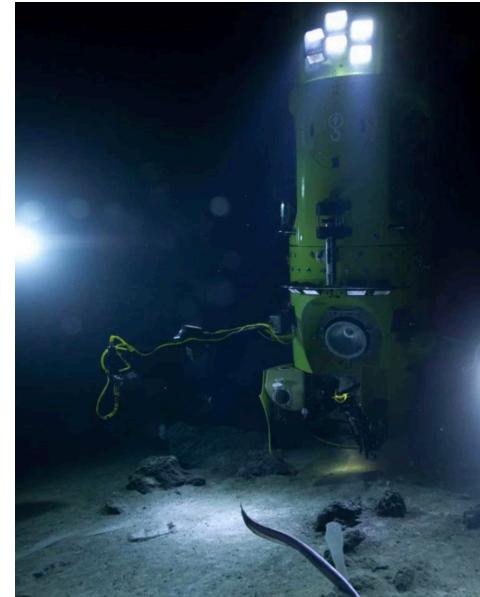
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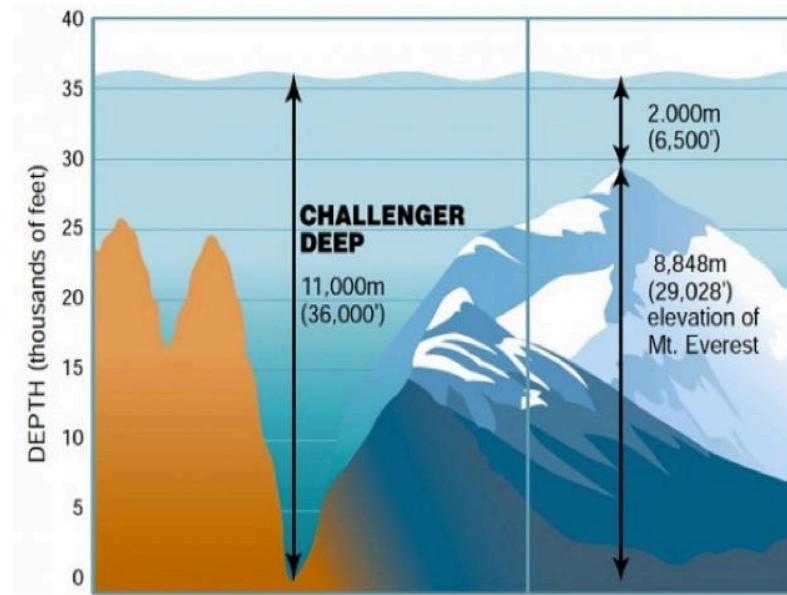
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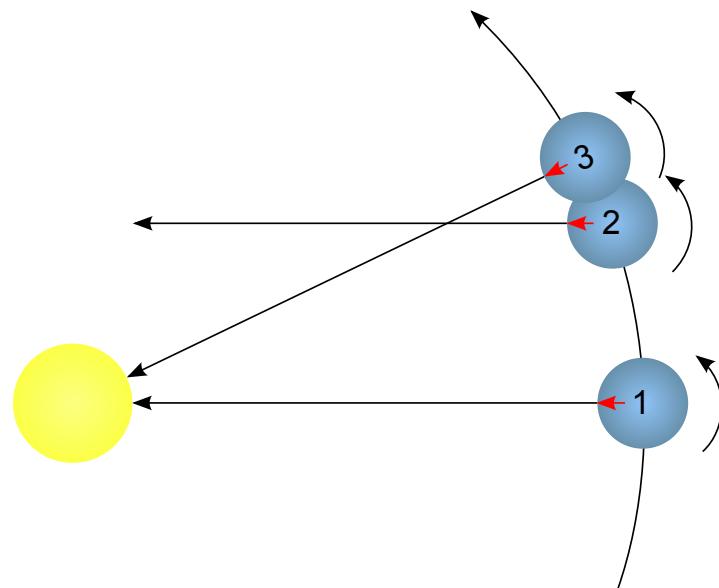


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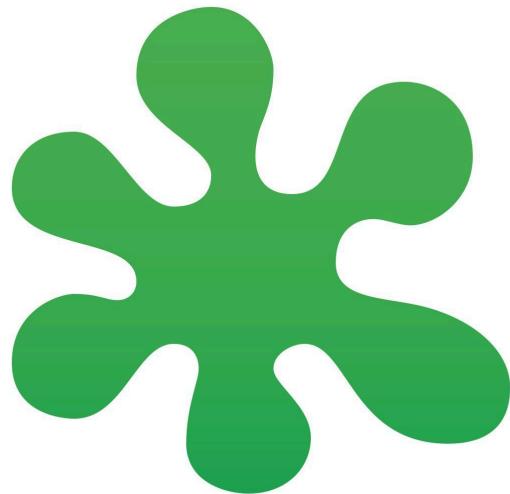
# Round 6: The final round

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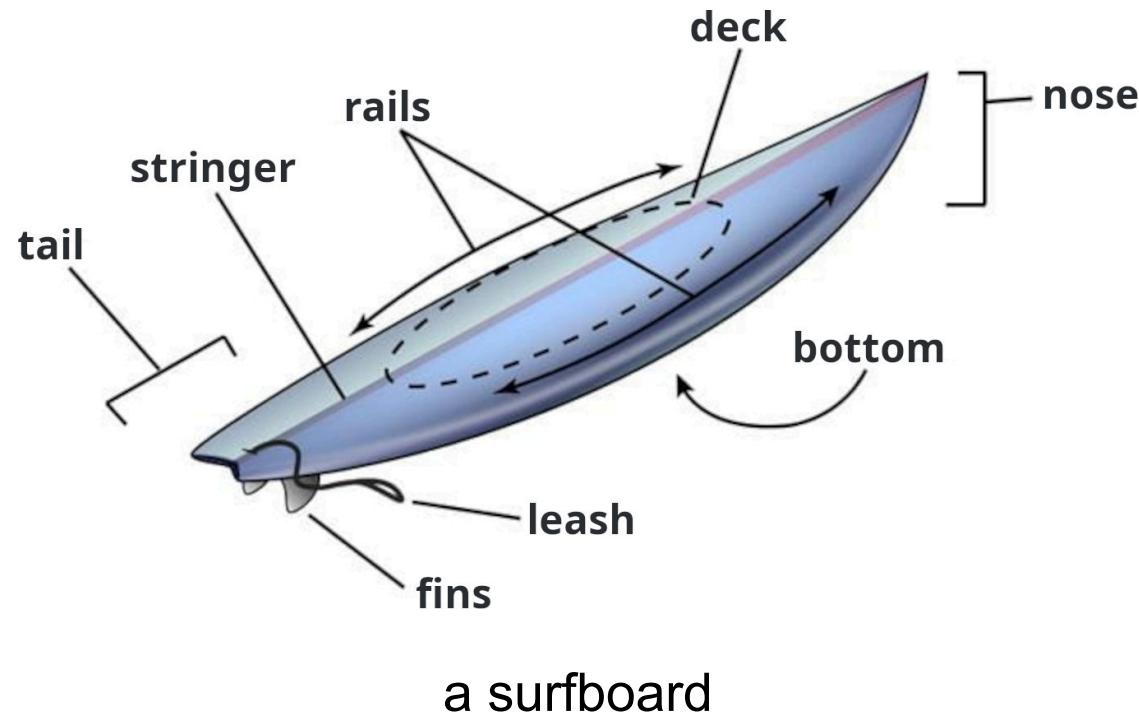


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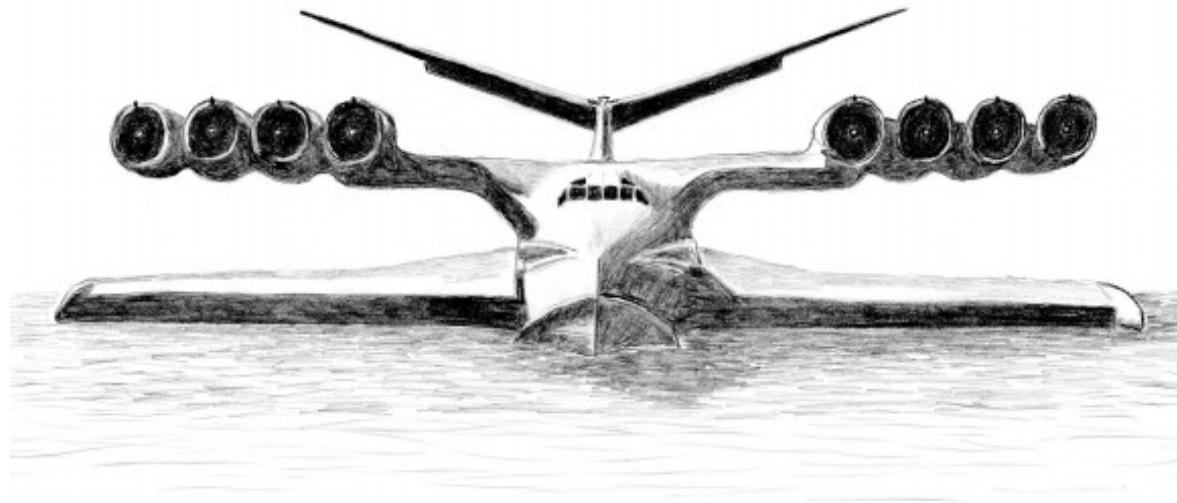
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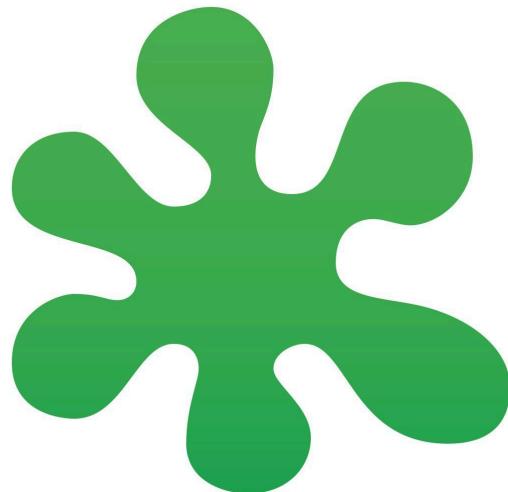
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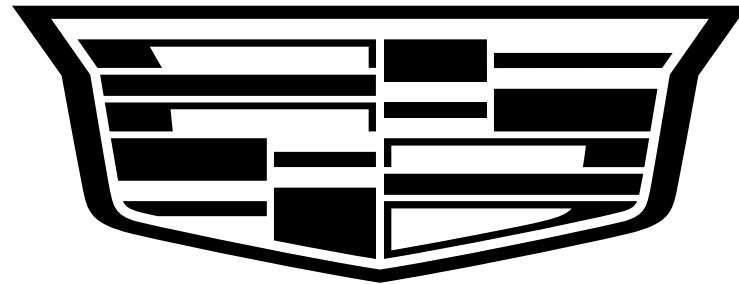


Whales (specifically, five toothed-whale species including orcas and belugas)

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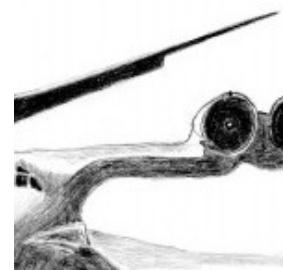
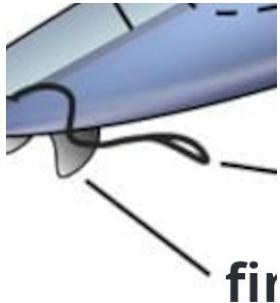


CADILLAC  
FORMULA 1 TEAM

Cadillac

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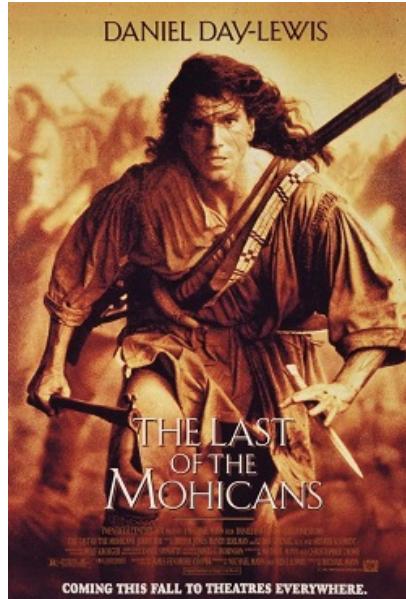
They all contain fins/Finns (it was the fin-al round, after all!)

The Last... scene

1



1



## The Last of the Mohicans

2



2



## The Last Duel

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3



## The Last House on the Left

4



4



## The Last Airbender

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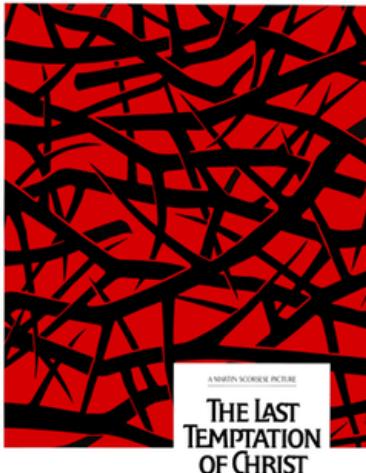
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The Last Jedi

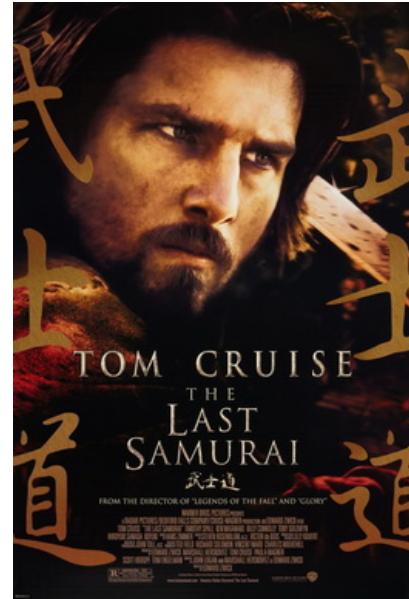
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## The Last Temptation of Christ

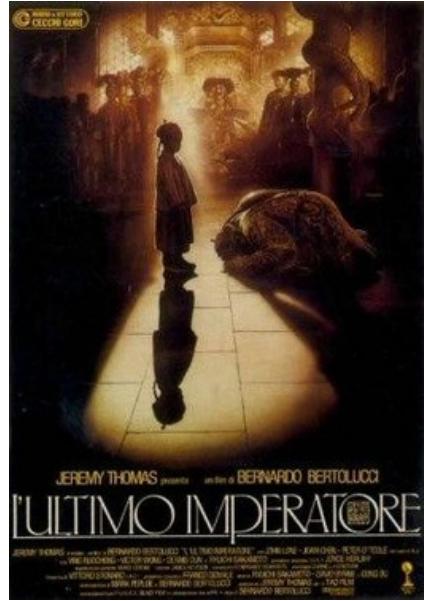




## The Last Samurai



8



## The Last Emperor

**The last piece of the puzzle**

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rage

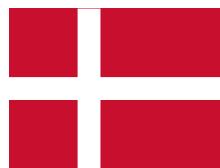
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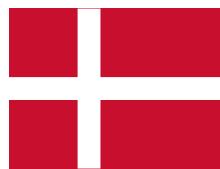
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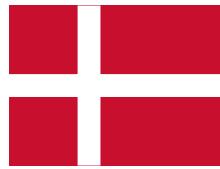


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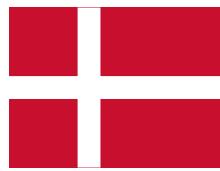
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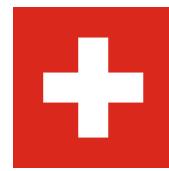
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e.g. The Swiss like  
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1. federal
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$$v_{\text{me}} = c$$

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\_\_\_\_\_ stop me now

3.

200 degrees, **that's why they call me Mr. Fahrenheit**

I'm travelling at the speed of light

**I wanna make a supersonic man out of you**

**Don't stop me now**

4.

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**Please add up your total score  
and bring up your answer sheets**



**Our winner, with a score of , is...**



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PUB QUIZ  
CHAMPION!

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**And while you may be obsolete...  
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  - Answer: The Dodo

*Fin*