

Modern World Tournament 2014
Round #8 Tossups

1. The themes *Mousou Express* and *Renai Circulation* represent a character cursed to resemble these animals, Sengoku Nadeko. Lui becomes obsessed with body modification in a novel named for these animals that won the 2003 Akugatawa Prize for Hitomi Kanehara. The flamboyant Ayame in *Fruits Basket* can morph into one of these animals, which include Anguis Cantus, the penultimate boss in *The World Ends With You*. One of these animals is the high-jumping, sake-loving (*) tsuchinoko. In one game in which you meet a non-villain with this animal in his name, you brag about how you've "managed to avoid drowning." One of these animals names the only female member of the Shichibukai, a "Pirate Empress" from *One Piece*. After meeting a man of this name in a game, you get FISSION MAILED. A man who can transform into one of these animals is the villain on the first season of *Naruto*. For 10 points, name this animal that shares a name with the hero of *Metal Gear Solid*.

ANSWER: snakes [or serpents; accept specific types of snake; prompt on Squamata or reptiles or tetrapods or other non-specific answers]

2. On *Late Night Tales*, the band Röyksopp covered this band's song "Ice Machine." This band lists "Jet airliner shot from sky / Famine horror, millions die" as things the media ignores in order to cover how "Princess Diana is wearing a new dress." In a music video by this band, a King visits various locations with a foldable blue chair. In *Left 4 Dead 2*, the survivor Rochelle wears a pink T-shirt of this band that repeats the line, "You'll stumble in my (*) footsteps." The singer of one song by this band asks, "Did I have to lose control / to treasure your kiss?" and repeats, "It's only when I lose myself with someone else / That I find myself." One song by this band opens with the line, "I'm taking a ride with my best friend" while another repeats the injunction to "Reach out and touch faith." For 10 points, name this group that recorded "Personal Jesus" and "Never Let Me Down Again", an English synthpop group.

ANSWER: Depeche Mode

3. In 2006, a minister serving low-income areas in this state was sued for trying to put a religious plaque in the Homeland Security office. He was Democratic State Representative Tom Riner. This non-California state was the only other state whose Obamacare website actually functioned when it was unveiled. A potential Senate candidate in this state killed her campaign by comparing this state's top industry to rape. In 2004, the GOP Senate opposed a budget from this state's Republican governor, (*) Ernie Fletcher, who was defeated for re-election by Steve Beshear. The wife of a Senator from this state was told to go back to China, even though she doesn't come from China, by a Democratic PAC in this state that supported Ashley Judd before she was replaced by Alison Grimes in a race against the current Senate Minority Leader. For 10 points, name this home of Mitch McConnell.

ANSWER: Commonwealth of Kentucky [or KY; accept goofy nicknames like the Bluegrass State]

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4. In the leadup to this event, the grassroots group Tamarod aimed to collect fifteen million signatures. The Third Square movement was formed after this event, which was partly prompted by protests against a planned fuel subsidy cut in order to receive a 4.8 billion dollar IMF bailout. Following this event, many leaders from the National Salvation Front gained positions of high office. During this event, an ultimatum issued on July 1st demanded the demands of the people be met within forty-eight hours by parties such as the (*) Justice and Development Party. This event was partly orchestrated by Abdul Fatah al-Sisi, and in its aftermath, a raid was carried out to clear protesters from the Rabaa al-Adawiya mosque. This event was endorsed by Mohamed ElBaradei and opposed by the Muslim Brotherhood. For 10 points, name this event in which Mohammed Morsi lost his job.

ANSWER: 2013 military coup in Egypt [accept anything remotely similar; accept 2013 Egyptian protests or 2013 Tahrir Square protests until "protests" but require the year specifically and prompt for year if they don't give it; accept things like the overthrow of Mohammed Morsi until mentioned and prompt thereafter]

5. LGBT activists from this nation directed the blaxploitation satire *Gayniggers from Outer Space*. Controversy over the guitar riff from "Stairway to Heaven" inspired the name of the band Taurus Version 2 in this nation,

whose major companies include Vestas Wind Systems and TDC A/S. An author from this nation criticized perceived overreaction to climate change in *The Skeptical Environmentalist*. A film by a director from this nation follows the newlyweds Justine and Michael as the Earth collides with the title rogue planet, (*) *Melancholia*. This nation's Dogme 95 Collective was founded by that director, who jokingly claimed to be part-Jewish and part-Nazi at the 2011 Cannes. A newspaper in this nation sparked death threats after showing cartoons of Muhammad with a bomb as a turban. For 10 points, name this nation home to Lars von Trier, Lego and the *Jyllands-Posten*.

ANSWER: Kingdom of Denmark [or Kongeriget Danmark]

6. This occupation is shared by Liliana, Liesel, Angela and Suzushiro, who beat each other up. At the start of one game, the fourteen-year-old Elodie has this occupation, but will likely die before the year is up. This is the occupation of a drill-hair who opposes the Peacemakers, the "Scrapped" Pacifica Casull. This occupation is shared by the title character of *Yggdra Union* and a character who turns to stone during the Picori Festival Tournament. This occupation is shared by (*) Natalia and Estelle from the *Tales* series. The title character of a game named for this occupation derives power from the Fused Shadows and shatters the mirror in Arbiter's Grounds. Mia Thermopolis is thrust into this occupation in a novel series by Meg Cabot. In a memetic clip, a character says, "Well, excuuuuuuse me" to a member of this occupation who disguises herself as Sheikh. For 10 points, name this occupation shared by Midna, Zelda and Peach.

ANSWER: Crown Princess [prompt on ruler or royalty or other generic answers; prompt generously on Queen]

7. This leader defeated Nazi doctor Josef Mengele's poison while playing Mahjong against him in *The Legend of Koizumi*. In 2007, this leader was described by a political opponent as a "cow on ice." Tax charges filed against this leader in 2001 were reopened in 2011, in addition to charges filed over the 2009 "gas case" dispute with a neighboring country. This leader went on a hunger strike in October 2012 to protest vote-rigging, which may have contributed to a (*) 2010 electoral loss. This leader of the Fatherland Party heads the opposition to the Party of Regions-led coalition in the Rada. This leader recently re-emerged in the news on a wheelchair after earlier being imprisoned after her loss to Viktor Yanukovych. For 10 points, name this co-leader of the Orange Revolution, a blonde Ukrainian noted for her distinctive hairstyle.

ANSWER: Yulia Volodimirivna Tymoshenko [or Yulia Telegina]

8. A businessman imprisoned for his role in selling this commodity names an IOSYS remix of *Fate of Sixty Years* called *former class-a war criminal*. The involvement of Air America in the transport of this commodity was the subject of a book by Alfred McCoy. Until it demobilized in 1982, the KMT's 93rd Division supported the "King" of this commodity, Khun Sa. In 2005, Atta Muhammad Nur launched a campaign to eradicate this commodity, largely produced in the (*) Golden Triangle and the Golden Crescent. Centers of production for this commodity include Shan and Kachin. The "century of humiliation" has been blamed on this commodity, which is mostly traded by Burmese militants and produced in Afghanistan by Taliban insurgents. For 10 points, name this natural product whose active ingredient morphine is converted to heroin.

ANSWER: opium poppy [or poppy tears; accept *Papaver somniferum*; antiprompt on heroin or morphine; prompt on drugs or narcotics or other generic answers]

9. UCLA professor Roger Farmer alleged that this man stole his ideas. This man has mocked "the way respectable opinion keeps demanding utterly foolish policies" with the phrase "Very Serious People." Brad DeLong was called the "bulldog" of this man, who asserted, "Bad jobs at bad wages are better than no jobs at all" in "In Praise of Cheap Labor," a since-renounced 1997 defense of (*) free trade. This man has been criticized for popularly promoting the IS-LM model in his columns and blogs, and claimed that an alien invasion could fix the world economy within eighteen months. This economist advocated stimulus spending in the book *End this Depression Now* and maintains the blog "The Conscience of a Liberal." For 10 points, name this frequently incorrect New Keynesian economist and New York Times writer.

ANSWER: Paul Robin Krugman

10. In this series, liberal Peyton Phillips and conservative Mary Phillips can be found arguing on WCTR, which also features Lazlow Jones. Cartoons from this series include *Impotent Rage: The Liberal Superhero* and *Republican Space Rangers*. A fraudulent link to a supposed trailer for a new installment in this series was the

first recorded use of a Rickroll. In this series, Eddie Pulaski is murdered by the other members of CRASH, led by Frank (*) Tenpenny, a corrupt police officer. A nude scene caused controversy for *The Lost and Damned* installment of this series, whose 2005 installment drew controversy because of the *Hot Coffee* mod. Along with *Bully* and *Manhunt*, this series caused lawyer Jack Thompson to attack Rockstar Games. For 10 points, name this videogame series in which you play as a criminal who steals cars.

ANSWER: GTA [or Grand Theft Auto]

11. Japanese First Lady Miyuki Hatoyama claimed she met this man in a previous life and could make an Oscar-winning film starring him. The Paris City Council barred this man from meeting Nicolas Sarkozy after classifying him as a religious militant. A character supposedly based on Republican Duke Cunningham was portrayed by this man in a film that provided clips which the Chinese government tried to pass off as footage of their own (*) military. That film was named after the Navy's SFTI program. Butters spots this man in a chocolate factory before Stan calls him a "fudge packer," causing him to file a class-action suit. This man attacked Brooke Shields for using Paxil, consistent with his anti-psychiatry stance. He was mocked for his belief in Dark Lord Xenu after he "jumped the couch" on *Oprah*. For 10 points, name this actor and famous Scientologist.

ANSWER: Thomas Cruise Mapother IV

12. This country was threatened with military action over plans to drill oil from Block Twelve. A massive explosion occurred at one of this country's naval bases near Zygi in July 2011. In early 2013, Malta launched an initiative imitating this country's citizenship-by-investment scheme. It's not Syria, but a plan named for Kofi Annan was rejected in a 2004 referendum in this country, where the troubled Laiki bank will be divided into good and bad parts. The majority of uninsured (*) deposits in this country were subjected to a levy as part of an EU agreement, angering wealthy Russians who have deposited an enormous amount of money here. Nationalists in the northern part of this country support the principle of *taksim* against the government of Nicos Anastasiades. For 10 points, name this island country split into Turkish and Greek-speaking halves.

ANSWER: Republic of Cyprus [or Kypros; or Kibris; or Kypriaki Dimokratia; or Kibris Cumhuriyeti]

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13. It's not ABC, but this campaign receives major support from the Canadian Union of Public Employees. Former Archbishop of Canterbury George Carey attacked the Church of England Synod for voting to endorse this campaign, but the Presbyterian Church (USA) voted 333-331 against endorsing it. In a characteristic circlejerk, UC Berkeley's student government voted 11-9 to endorse this campaign in SB 160. This campaign has singled out Caterpillar Inc. for criticism because of its production of (*) bulldozers, such as the one that ran over Rachel Corrie. Norman Finkelstein has criticized this campaign as a "cult," but Noam Chomsky supports it. Mobilizing college students to support this campaign is the goal of a so-called Apartheid Week. For 10 points, name this campaign that seeks to do to a Jewish state what was once done to South Africa.

ANSWER: divestment from Israel [accept BDS even if Israel isn't mentioned; accept boycott or anything reasonably similar in place of "divestment," prompt on just boycott or divestment with, "From which country?"]

14. In 1990, this nation's highest court ruled that the city of Inner Rhodes had to allow women to vote. In 1959, this nation's four largest political parties agreed on a "magical formula" to divide seven seats between them. This is the home nation of the SIG 550, which most adult men are required to own. In early 2014, this nation's plan to institute immigration quotas outraged its neighbors, as did its 2009 ban on (*) minaret construction. This nation's rate of gun-related crime is very low despite its policy of mandatory gun ownership for young men who are members of the militia. Romansch is the smallest official language in this nation, which has a collective head of state, the Federal Council. For 10 points, name this European confederation of cantons whose other languages include German, French and Italian.

ANSWER: Switzerland [or Swiss Confederation or Schweiz or Suisse or Svizzera or Svizra or Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft or Confédération suisse or Confederazione Svizzera or Confederaziun svizra or Confoederatio Helvetica]

15. Daniel Loeb of Third Point LLC is trying to buy up as many shares of this company as he can in hopes of splitting it. The co-founder and long-time chairman of this company helped write a 1989 essay saying that his

nation would become “First Among Equals,” and that it should “say no” to the United States by ending its alliance. Out of concerns that it would never be profitable, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry tried to shut down this company’s first product line, the TR-55 (*) transistor radio. Executives of this company have included Morita Akio, Ohga Norio and Hirai Kaz, who generated mockery when he bragged about how one product would allow users to confront a Giant Enemy Crab and would cost 599 dollars. For 10 points, name this company known for its Walkman and Playstation.

ANSWER: Sony Corporation

16. One member of this family was lampooned for an interview in which every answer was something like “process change,” “RTI,” and “women empowerment”. Another member of this family is the namesake of a component of the 2012-2013 Budget, the Equity Savings Scheme. Ties to Ottavio Quattrocchi have been a source of criticism for this family, which always win elections in Amethi. Another member of this family outraged the PLOTE when he reversed a coup in a nearby (*) nation, leading to his assassination by a suicide bomber in 1991, a few years after he was weakened by the Bofors scandal. Another member of this family was expected to be Prime Minister, but she instead picked a former Finance Minister who helped dismantle the License Raj. For 10 points, name this family that includes members like Priyanka, Rahul, Rajiv, Sonia and other prominent political figures in India.

ANSWER: Nehru-Gandhi family

17. This event was marked by the donation of several sturgeon, the first of which was killed by a barracuda. This event followed the disastrous “Journey of Harmony,” which was attacked by protesters in Paris and London. The song “You and Me” was used to promote this event, which led to the destruction of a city’s historic alleyway network and displaced 1.5 million people. This event was responsible for a media blackout regarding the contamination of melamine in (*) milk. Security at this event was massively beefed up after several bombings in Kashgar. This event was represented by the motto “One World, One Dream” and a logo featuring a white dancer on a red background. The performance “Brilliant Civilization” opened this event, whose location worried many participants due to its extremely poor air quality. For 10 points, name this event, during which Michael Phelps won a ton of Gold medals.

ANSWER: 2008 Summer Olympics [or Beijing Olympics until “Beijing” is mentioned; prompt for city or year on things like Olympics in China; if they give something really specific in the Olympics like the opening ceremony, give it to them]

18. Civilians are often publicly shamed in this nation’s absurd tabloid *Red Pepper*. This nation’s “zero-grazing” campaign was one of the most successful implementations of the ABC strategy. The close ties between The Fellowship and this nation’s long-serving President from the National Resistance Movement are examined in a documentary about how “God loves” this nation, where the murder of activist David Kato inspired the documentary *Call Me Kuchu*. In a viral video, a doctor-pastor from this nation, Martin Ssempe, warns of one group’s desire to (*) “eat da poo poo.” The parliament of this Yoweri Museveni-led nation ultimately tabled a bill that classified sodomy as a capital crime. For 10 points, name this nation that was the primary target of a campaign by Invisible Children, which condemned the Lord’s Resistance Army and its leader, Joseph Kony.

ANSWER: Republic of Uganda

19. This state was named America’s most “elastic” by Nate Silver. This state’s Central Falls School District fired every single one of its teachers. Democratic Treasurer Frank Caprio lost the support of this state’s public-sector unions and subsequently its 2010 gubernatorial race. Gina Raimondo is running to replace the current Governor of this state, who once won a narrow primary victory over Steve Laffey thanks to an endorsement by George W. Bush. This state’s budget was annihilated thanks to the maker of Kingdoms of Amalur: Reckoning, (*) 38 Studios, which was founded by Kurt Schilling. In 2010, this state overwhelmingly voted to keep “Plantations” in its name. For 10 points, name this state governed by confirmed scumbag Lincoln Chafee, a graduate of its Brown University.

ANSWER: State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations [or RI; accept goofy nicknames like the Ocean State or Little Rhody, apparently]

20. During a hilarious coin shortage in this country, bus drivers sold coins to commuters at marked-up prices. Axel Kicillof is an economic minister from this country, where the Cámpora has controversially been campaigning in public schools. The Radical Civic Union forms the main opposition in this country, where the Renewal Front

splintered from the ruling party. Domingo Cavallo implemented the so-called *corralito* in this country in an attempt to stop (*) bank runs. This country has recently been obviously lying about its inflation rate, possibly because it underwent disastrous hyperinflation during a 2001 bankruptcy. For 10 points, name this home country of Lionel Messi, which is led by the Justicialist party, the largest of the parties claiming the legacy of its former leader Juan Perón.

ANSWER: Argentina [or Argentine Republic or República Argentina]

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21. From 1989 to 1991, this man served as Chairman of Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. This man destroyed a debate moderator by saying that, “The problem with that analysis is that it is incorrect.” He was mocked on an interview for saying something wasn’t rocket science, until he pointed out that he was a rocket scientist. One of this man’s campaign ads features his campaign manager Mark Block smoking and staring at the camera. A parody of John Lennon’s “Imagine” insulting burgers was written by this man, who sagaciously borrowed a tax plan from (*) *Sim City*. As a non-quizbowler, this man did not know who Islam Karimov was; Karimov is the President of Ubeki-beki-beki-stan-stan. For 10 points, name this former CEO of Godfather’s Pizza, who came up with a brilliant 9-9-9 plan.

ANSWER: Herman Cain