1997 Cavalier Classic Round 4

Tossups:

1. This collection of works is divided into three areas of study: manners, philosophy, and marriage. It consists of all of the author's novels and seeks to depict the entirety of French social life. Among the most famous individual works are _Eugenie Grandet_ and _Pere Goriot_. FTP name this collection of novels by Balzac, which shares its name with a work by William Saroyan.

Answer: The Human Comedy (or Comédie Humaine)

2. In 1889 he suffered a physical and mental breakdown that was probably caused by syphilis. In the sixteen years previous to this he had published a series of books, often aphoristic, that denounced Christianity and celebrated the self-creating Übermensch, or Overman. FTP, name this German philosopher, best known for works like _The Birth of Tragedy_, _Beyond Good and Evil_, and _Thus Spake Zarathustra_.

Answer: Friedrich Nietzsche

3. They received their name because they seem to be roughly the size of stars, though they produce too much energy to be stars. It has been conjectured that they are the cores of distant galaxies, and that we only see them because the stars that surround them are too far away to be viewed from Earth. FTP, identify this kind of energy source, whose name is short for "quasi-stellar object."

Answer: Quasar

4. In 1951 he succeeded Clement Attlee as prime minister and served until 1955. From 1956 to 1958, he published the _History of the English-Speaking Peoples_, and in 1953 received the Nobel Prize for Literature. His finest hour came during World War II when he rallied the British people to victory as prime minister. FTP name this man who formed the Big Three with Stalin and Roosevelt.

Answer: Winston Churchill

5. Its motto is "Union, justice, confidence." Its state flower is the magnolia and state crustacean the crawfish. FTP, name this state, which became the eighteenth state on April 30, 1812, and whose cities include New Iberia, Lake Charles, Lafayette, Shreveport, and Baton Rouge.

Answer: Louisiana

6. She started playing piano at age three and entered a conservatory at five. Her father was a minister and her reaction to organized religion in evident in songs such as "Leather" and "God." She has said, "I have strong memories of being a prostitute in a former life." FTP, name this singer of "Crucify" and "Silent All These Years."

Answer: Tori Amos

7. This battle occurred a month after the defeat of the Norwegians at Stamford Bridge. It effectively resolved the succession crisis created by the death of Edward the Confessor. During this battle, the Anglo-Saxon foot soldiers of Harold II were overcome by the Norman cavalry of William the Conqueror. FTP name this 1066 battle that led to the Norman conquest of England.

Answer: Battle of _Hastings_

8. He came to the United States in 1884, and worked with Edison before a quarrel led him to leave and work on his own. He patented a number of his inventions, such as the alternating current induction motor, and went into a partnership with George Westinghouse to sell them. FTP, name this Croatian born scientist, whose coil was used to generate high-frequency alternating current, after whom the SI unit of magnetic flux density is named.

Answer: Nikola Tesla_

9. According to legend, she fled Phoenicia for North Africa after her brother Pygmalion killed her husband Sychaeus. In North Africa she founded the city of Carthage and reigned as its queen. FTP, identify this queen, who committed suicide after Aeneas left her.

Answer: _Dido_ (or _Elissa_ of Tyre)

10. Although born in Maldon, England, he sided with his adoptive country and fought in the American revolutionary army. Following his greatest victory in 1777, he sought to supplant Washington as commander-inchief. In 1780, he was routed by Cornwallis at the Battle of Camden. FTP name this general, the commander of the victorious American forces at Saratoga.

Answer: Horatio Gates

11. When this writer was charged with embezzling funds from a bank, he fled to Honduras. Returning to the U.S., he served three years in prison where he began writings stories such as "Whistling Dick's Christmas Stocking" and "A Retrieved Reformation." FTP, name this author, who is most identified with short stories that end with an intriguing twist of fate such as "The Last Leaf" and "The Gift of the Magi."

Answer: _O. Henry_ (accept William Sydney Porter)

12. The works of this man range from the realist "Age of Bronze" of 1877 to the controversial tribute to Balzac of 1898. During the last twenty years of his life, he worked on the 186 figures of "The Gates of Hell." This project provided the inspiration for many of his most famous sculptures, including "The Kiss" and "The Thinker." FTP name this French sculptor.

Answer: Auguste Rodin

13. In 1978, scientists decided that the belief that these creatures had short skulls was due to a mix-up, and that they actually had longer skulls than had been thought. Flourishing about 150 million years ago, they weighed up to 30 tons, and probably lived both in marshes and on dry land. FTP, identify this type of dinosaur, herbivores which were around 70 feet long and which are also known as Apatosaurs.

Answer: _Brontosaurus_ or _Brontosaurs_ (accept _Apatosaurus_ or _Apatosaurs_ on early buzz)

14. This Western Church father criticized the Manicheans for their dualistic philosophy. Once a Manichean himself, he underwent a famous conversion in 386 under the influence of Ambrose, an experience he recounted in his _Confessions_. FTP name this saint, the author of _The City of God_ and namesake of a city in Florida.

Answer: St. _Augustine_

15. While in a home for waifs, he learned to play the cornet. In 1922 he joined King Oliver's band in Chicago, setting new standards for jazz musicianship. In the late 1920's he switched to trumpet and began a career as a star soloist and scat singer that would lead him to success in over fifty films and numerous world tours. FTP name this jazz musician, a trumpeter who was nicknamed "Satchmo."

Answer: Louis _Armstrong_

16. His greatest generals Narses and Belisarius reconquered much of North Africa and Italy. His wife Theodora evoked controversy because of her scandalous former career as an actress. FTP, name this Byzantine emperor, whose greatest achievement was the legal code produced between 529 and 565 that bears his name.

Answer: Justinian

17. Born and educated in Ireland, he left for Britain in 1752 and never returned to his homeland. A close associate of Richardson and Johnson, he produced works as varied as the satirical _The Citizen of the World_ and the poetic "The Deserted Village." FTP, name this English writer, best known for comic plays like _The Good-Natur'd Man_ and _She Stoops to Conquer_.

Answer: Oliver_Goldsmith_

18. He worked as a doctor in Pavia before turning to laboratory science, and made his first major discovery in 1873 when he accidentally discovered that silver compounds could be used for staining. He used his new technique to classify nerve cells and to show that nerve fibers were separated by synapses. FTP, identify this Italian scientist, who first described a formation in the cell which produces glycoproteins and other necessary cell materials, an apparatus which is named for him.

Answer: Camillo Golgi_

19. Minnesota in 1936. Maryland in 1953. Nebraska in 1971 and 1994. According to different polls, Colorado or Georgia Tech in 1990. Steve Spurrier's Florida squad in 1996. Each of these teams has won what, FTP, sports title?

Answer: _College Football National Championship_ (accept equivalents)

20. A woman commits forgery in order to save her husband's career. He eventually discovers this, but his reaction reveals to her that he does not view her as a human being, but rather as a beautiful object. Resolving to live life more fully, Nora Helmer leaves her husband and family at the end of this work. FTP name this drama, written by Henrik Ibsen.

Answer: A _Doll's House_ (or A _Doll House_)

EX. The Treaty of London recognized it as an independent country in 1831. In 1950, a referendum was held on the issue of the king's collaboration with the Nazis, and he was persuaded to resign in favor of his son, Baudouin (BAW-doyn). FTP, identify this nation, ethnically divided between Walloons and the Flemish, whose cities include Ghent, Antwerp, and Brussels.

Answer: Belgium_

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Boni:

1. FTP each, identify the following elements.

1. It was discovered by Henry Cavendish in 1766; he later showed it to be part of water.

Answer: hydrogen

2. This element was discovered in 1868, after Pierre Janssen and Joseph Lockyer observed it in solar spectra.

Answer: helium

3. Paul Boisbaudran (BWA-bo-DHRAN) discovered it in 1875, making it the first of the elements predicted by Mendeleev to be discovered.

Answer: gallium

2. Name the Chinese political figures FTP each.

1. This Nationalist leader retreated with his forces to Taiwan in 1949.

Answer: _Chiang_ Kai-shek

2. This man served as China's foreign minister from 1949 to 1958 and its prime minister from 1949 until his death in 1976.

Answer: Chou En-lai

3. This man, the founder of the Guomindang, became president of the Chinese republic in 1912.

Answer: Dr. Sun Yat-sen

3. Name the American plays from a description, for the stated number of points.

1. 5 points: Brick and Maggie fight while "Big Daddy" Pollit dies of cancer.

Answer: Cat on a Hot Tin Roof

2. 10 points: College professor George and his wife Martha fight while they entertain another couple.

Answer: _Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?_

3. 15 points: The Younger family fights to leave their inner-city Chicago environment.

Answer: _A Raisin in the Sun_

4. Name the world figure skating champions from the following years, FTP each.

1. Male, 1981-1984

Answer: Scott _Hamilton_

2. Female, 1991-1992

Answer: Kristi Yamaguchi

3. Female, 1984-1985, 1987-1988

Answer: Katarina _Witt_

5. Name the following regions of Spain FTP each.

1. This central region contains the city of Madrid.

Answer: Castille

2. This southern area includes Seville.

Answer: Andalusia

3. This region's cultural center is located in Barcelona.

Answer: Catalonia

6. Identify these parts of the atmosphere, FTP each.

1. Located between 7 and 30 miles from the Earth's surface, the ozone layer is co-extensive with this sphere.

Answer: the stratosphere

2. It lies beyond the stratoshpere and is divided into two parts, the mesosphere and the thermosphere.

Answer: the ionosphere

3. Lying beyond the thermosphere, it goes to about 625 miles out.

Answer: the _exosphere_

7. Name the Russian monarchs, for the stated number of points.

1. 5 points: This tsar was killed along with his family in 1918.

Answer: Nicholas II

2. 10 points: This tsar reigned at the time of Napoleon's invasion of Russia.

Answer: Alexander I

3. 15 points: Grand Prince of Moscow from 1462 to 1505, he took the title of "Sovereign of All Russia" in 1493.

Answer: _Ivan III_ or _Ivan the Great_ (not the Terrible)

- 8. Name the actress who won the Best Actress Academy Award in the following years FTP each.
- 1. 1945 for "Mildred Pierce"

Answer: Joan Crawford

2. 1977 for "Annie Hall"

Answer: Diane Keaton

3. 1993 for "The Piano"

Answer: Holly Hunter

- 9. Name these characters from the _Odyssey_ FTP each.
- 1. This nymph imprisons Odysseus for seven years.

Answer: Calypso

2. Odysseus kills this cyclops by tricking him.

Answer: _Polyphemus_

3. This son of Odysseus helps him regain control of his kingdom of Ithaca.

Answer: Telemachus

- 10. Answer these questions about the 1890s for the stated number of points.
- 1. 10 points: The Italians were defeated at the Battle of Adowa in 1896 in this African country.

Answer: Ethiopia

2. 5 points: This British queen celebrated her diamond jubilee in 1897.

Answer: _Victoria_

3. 15 points: This treaty of 1895 ended the first Sino-Japanese War.

Answer: the treaty of _Shimonoseki_

- 11. Answer the following questions about telescopes, for the stated number of points.
- 1. 5 points: It became the first optical telescope in space when it was launched in 1990.

Answer: the _Hubble_Space Telescope

2. 10 points: In 1608, this Dutch inventor patented the first telescope.

Answer: Hans Lippershey

3. 15 points: Two identical telescopes sharing this name were built in Hawaii in 1991 and 1996. They have mirrors 396 inches in diameter, with four times the light-gathering capacity of the Hale telescope.

Answer: Keck I and II

- 12. Name the authors of these works set in India FTP each.
- A Passage to India

Answer: E.M. Forster

2. Kim

Answer: Rudyard Kipling

Midnight's Children

Answer: Salman Rushdie

- 13. Name the composers of the following operas for the stated number of points.
- 1. 5 points: La Boheme (la bo-EM)

Answer: Giacomo Puccini_

2. 10 points: Otello

Answer: Giuseppe Verdi

3. 15 points: _Lucrezia Borgia_

Answer: Gaetano Donizetti

14. Identify these American political scandals FTP each.

1. This group set up during the Grant administration defrauded the government of taxes due on liquor.

Answer: _Whiskey Ring_

2. Albert Fall went to jail for a year for his role in this Harding administration scandal.

Answer: _Teapot Dome_

3. Various greedy Congressmen were caught accepting bribes from supposed Arab businessmen in this late 1970s affair.

Answer: _Abscam_

15. Name these works by Jonathan Swift FTP each.

1. This allegory satirizes the divisions within the Christian religion.

Answer: _The Tale of the Tub_

2. This essay proposes that the Irish should sell their children to be eaten.

Answer: _A Modest Proposal_

3. The third section of this work concerns the flying island of Laputa and pokes fun at the Royal Academy.

Answer: Gulliver's Travels

16. Identify this thing, 30-20-10.

1. It was developed in 1902 by an Italian and modified in the 1930s by Harry Wood and Frank Neumann.

2. According to it, an intensity of 1 is only felt by a few people, while the maximum of 12 corresponds to total damage.

3. This scale, used for measuring the intensity of earthquakes, is largely overshadowed by the Richter scale.

Answer: the Mercalli scale

17. Name the Latin American country ruled by these men FTP each.

1. Emperor Pedro II from 1831 to 1889.

Answer: Brazil

2. Reform-minded president Porfirio Diaz, from 1876 to 1880 and then again > from 1884 until 1911.

Answer: Mexico

3. Dictator Augusto Pinochet, from 1973 to 1990.

Answer: Chile

18. Name these saints for fifteen points each.

1. This woman, patron saint of musicians and the blind, was killed for visiting with an angel.

Answer: St. Cecilia_

2. This man is the patron of Russia, pawnbrokers, and little boys.

Answer: St. Nicholas_

19. Name the French artists who painted the following works FTP each.

1. "Oath of the Horatii," 1785

Answer: Jacques Louis David_

2. "Odalisque," 1814

Answer: Jean Auguste Dominique Ingres

3. "Liberty Leading the People," 1831

Answer: Eugene Delacroix

20. Name the writer from works on a 30-20-10 basis.

- 1. _An Outcast of the Islands_, _Under Western Eyes_
- The Secret Agent_, The Secret Sharer_
- 3. Lord Jim

Answer: Joseph _Conrad_