GSC Trivia Questions

Trivia Week Three

First Round

- 1. Three people have 12 marbles each. What's the minimum number of marbles that must be moved between these people in order that the resulting ratio is 1:2:3? 6
- 2. Early in his career, Elvis Presley released the most commercially successful double-sided hit record in pop music history. What were the titles of the two songs on the flip sides of this single record (1 point each)? Hound dog, Don't be cruel
- 3. During World War I she was a spy who worked for both the French and the Germans. In 1917 she was executed by the French. Today her name refers to a seductive double-dealing woman. Who is she? Mata Hari
- 4. The world's fifth largest country in area covers about half of its continent. What country is this? Brazil
- 5. What National League Baseball Team was named the Big Red Machine in 1975-1976? Cincinnati Reds

Second Round

- 1. The 100 years war began in 1337 and ended in what year (\pm 1 year)? 1453
- 2. Called the world's most successful board game, it was unveiled in 1935, has sold more than 200 million copies in 26 languages. What is it? Monopoly
- 3. The city of Budapest, Hungary, was formed in 1873 when two cities on opposite banks of the Danube merged. What were the names of these cities? Buda and Pest
- 4. One of the most important foods eaten by the American colonists was succotash, a dish composed of what two ingredients (1 point each)? sweet corn and beans word comes from an indian name
- 5. Not many long words have this quality, but ALMOST, BIOPSY, and CHIMPS are a few of the 6-letter words that do. What is it? Letters are in alphabetical order

Third Round

- 1. What is the world's largest inland sea? Caspian Sea
- 2. What NBA player holds the all-time record for leading the league in scoring the most seasons, ten times? Michael Jordan, Chicago Bulls
- 3. In the Beatles' song, Michelle, what was the line sung in French? "SONT LES MOTS QUI VONT TRES BIEN ENSEMBLE" these are words which go together well.
- 4. According to UNESCO, what percentage of the world's adults are illiterate (\pm 5%)? 26%
- 5. What is the name of the organic molecule that carries oxygen in the blood, and gives blood its red color? Hemoglobin

Fourth Round

- 1. Fictional literary character Phileas Fogg was willing to bet anyone 20,000 pounds that he could do what? Travel around the world in 80 days.
- 2. Ascorbic acid is something which many of us consume virtually every day. By what name is ascorbic acid better known? Vitamin C
- 3. Name the 20th century Dutch artist whose works contain transformations of animals and geometrical shapes, and architectural impossibilities. M.C. Escher
- 4. Which 20th century British scholar coined the phrase, "Work expands to fill the time available for its completion"? C. N. Parkinson (Parkinson's Law)
- 5. Who is the largest of the Sesame Street muppets? Snuffelupagus