

2008 TRASH Regionals

Round 03

Tossups

1. A Columbia alumnus, this man made partner at his New York law firm, Doucette & Stein, thanks to the influence of his friend Margot; he briefly left there to work for a mysterious man named Malcolm and as a legal aid attorney. He has had strained relationship with his brothers, Sam and Paul, and his parents George and Marilyn; near the end of the series, his father passed away. When we last see him he is raising a child named Ben who may be his biological son. Ironically, his typical role was that of the "straight man," playing off against his numerous failed love interests and his eccentric circle of friends, including Karen Walker and Jack McFarland. For ten points, name this gay lead sitcom character played by Eric McCormack, whose name forms half of his show's title with that of his platonic friend Grace Adler.

Answer: William Truman, Esq. (accept either underlined name)

2. The original version of this song appeared on the 1982 album *Sinners & Saints*, but the band re-recorded it in a less bluesy fashion for what became a breakthrough 1987 self-titled release. The remake featured the guitar work of Adrian Vandenburg as well as a change in lyrics during the chorus when, rather than a "hobo," the narrator likens himself to a "drifter." This chart-topping ballad made a big splash with an iconic video starring a Jaguar and a white lingerie-clad actress, then dating lead singer David Coverdale, named Tawny Kitaen. For ten points, "walk along the lonely street of dreams" and name this rock anthem by Whitesnake.

Answer: "Here I Go Again"

3. Its governing body has threatened to ban Brazil and Uruguay from the Olympics for attempting to remove the heads of the sport's Pan-American union. No American has won a gold medal in this sport, although one 1976 bronze medalist in it was Allen Coage, who later became known as Bad News Brown in professional wrestling. It was made a medal sport in 1964, while women first earned medals for it in 1992. With 33 each, South Korea and France have the second-most medals in this sport dominated by Japan. For ten points, name this martial art whose name means "the soft way".

Answer: judo

4. This city serves as the destination for the unfortunate young truck driver in the Harry Chapin song, "30,000 Pounds of Bananas." Jason Miller's play and film "That Championship Season" are set in this city, and, in 2007, this metro area became the host of the AAA affiliate of the Yankees at PNC Field in nearby Moosic. Recently the city has gained attention as the boyhood home of Vice-Presidential contender Joe Biden, which Jason Sudekis' SNL impersonation of Biden described as "hard-scrabble" and "a real cesspool." Featuring such locales as the Mall at Steamtown, Farley's Pub and Montage Mountain, name, for ten points, this city on the Lackawanna River that serves as the location of Dunder Mifflin in NBC's *The Office*.

Answer: Scranton, Pennsylvania

5. This actress's mother earned an Oscar nomination for writing *Running on Empty*, and her father directed her in her debut film, the Graham Swift adaptation *Waterland*. John Waters cast her as Raven in *Cecil B. DeMented*, while 2002 saw her portray hookups of Chuck Barris and Donald Kaufman in, respectively, *Confessions of a Dangerous Mind* and *Adaptation*. In 2006, she appeared as Will Ferrell's love interest in *Stranger than Fiction*, the voice of Zee in *Monster House*, and a police officer's devoted wife in *World Trade Center*, in addition to her breakthrough as an ex-con trying to establish a relationship with her young daughter in *SherryBaby*. For ten points, name this *Secretary* star recently seen as Rachel Dawes in *The Dark Knight*.

Answer: Maggie Gyllenhaal

6. One character in this book, a Chinese woman, is described by another character as "doll-like and inscrutable." Other characters include an African-American female judge and an intern engaged to the protagonist's older sister. The final twist occurs when the protagonist realizes that the chairman of a company is named "Julian Eastman," which means that he must be one of four directionally-named identities taken on by a man named Windy Windkoppel. "Turtle" Wexler thus solves the title mystery in, for ten points, what 1979 Newbery Medal-winning classic work of juvenile fiction by Ellen Raskin?

Answer: The Westing Game

7. This character was played by Peter Pratt in a storyline that saw him attempt to use the artifacts of Rassilon, while Geoffrey Beevers played him until he took over the body of Tremas, after which he was played by Anthony Ainley. Eric Roberts played him in a 1996 TV movie, while his original portrayer, Roger Delgado, held the role from *Terror of the Autons* to *Frontier in Space*. More recently, the opening of a fob watch by Professor Yana, played by Derek Jacobi, unleashed him on the world yet again, and, using the name "Harold Saxon," he became the UK's prime minister. Last incarnated by John Simm, this is, for ten points, what Time Lord from Gallifrey, the arch-nemesis of The Doctor from *Doctor Who*?

Answer: The Master

8. A merger with Larami brought access to Air Restrictor technology, now standard for this type of weapon, preventing incorrect ammunition from being used. Thrust generally comes from a motorized flywheel, a spring-loaded plunger, or a pneumatic pump. Weapons using this sort of ammo include the Clip Tek, Defender T3, Eagle Eye, Atom Blaster, Buzz Saw, Ballzooka, and Blast-a-Ball. For ten points, name this polyurethane foam sold by Hasbro.

Answer: NERF

9. The members of this act had previously performed together as part of Dear Eskimo. Consisting of Jules DeMartino and Katie White, they saw success in England with singles such as "Fruit Machine," "That's Not My Name," and "Great DJ." One of their songs was in an iPod commercial prior to the release of their debut album *We Started Nothing*. For ten points, name this British pop duo nominated by MTV for Video of the Year at the VMAs for the video for their hit "Shut Up and Let Me Go."

Answer: The Ting-Tings

10. Etienne du Junca, the source of most of our information about him, records that he had been at Pignerol with Benigne d'Auvergne de Saint-Mars before his 1698 arrival at his more famous residence. In an anime version of the work most associated with him, he plays a villainous role more similar to Doctor Doom than to the maltreated character played in live action films by Beau Bridges, Douglas Fairbanks, Louis Hayward, and, most recently, Leonardo DiCaprio. Du Junca's record makes mention of "black velvet," and Voltaire, in 1751, was the first to associate him with metal. For ten points, name this mysterious prisoner, hypothesized to be the identical twin brother of Louis XIV, the subject of a novel by Alexandre Dumas.

Answer: the man in the iron mask (accept clear knowledge equivalents)

11. As the 1953 South Atlantic League MVP playing for the league-winning Jacksonville Tars, he was honored with his own 1954 Topps baseball card, one of which was disputed over by the couple getting divorced at the beginning of the 2007 movie *Enchanted*. A converted infielder, he substituted for Bobby Thomson upon that slugger's injury and spent the next 21 years in the Braves' outfield. For ten points, name this leader for home runs hit for one franchise with 733 and the Major League Leader in career Runs Batted In.

Answer: Hank Aaron

12. This was the only film ever scripted by famed critic Penelope Gilliatt. A teenage Daniel Day-Lewis has a bit part as a graffiti-spraying vandal. Ian Bannen was fired due to his reluctance to make love to a man onscreen, and his role was taken by a performer best known for his rendition of a song from the musical *Chess*. In showing how Bob Elkin is shared as a lover by Jewish doctor Daniel Hirsh and middle-aged divorcee Alex Greville, this became one of the first movies to deal frankly and openly with homosexuality and bisexuality. For ten points, name this 1971 John Schlesinger-directed British drama starring Murray Head, Peter Finch, and Glenda Jackson that shares its name with a song by U2 from the album *War*.

Answer: Sunday Bloody Sunday

13. Sherbert and Scratchpaw can be found later in this game to assist the player. Its sandier levels feature a volleyball game while its forest levels feature numerous pooping animals. One of the game's hidden characters is unlocked at the start of the game for those purchased one of its developer's previous releases, *Alien Hominid HD*. Featuring the ability to upgrade your character en route to saving a group of four princesses, for ten points, name this recent Xbox Live Arcade release, a side-scrolling brawler featuring a group of multi-colored knights.

Answer: Castle Crashers

14. This six-letter word is the name of John Denver's 1976 album that contained the Adult Contemporary hit, "Like a Sad Song." It was the name of an eponymous 1968 album of a band fronted by Randy California and Jay Ferguson. Willie Nelson used this title for a 1996 release, his first for Island Records. The overwrought song "Hands" came from a 1998 album of this name released by Jewel. For ten points, give this shared title that was most recently seen in the album charts by X Factor winner and "Bleeding Love" singer Leona Lewis.

Answer: Spirit

15. Dubbed New York City's "Queen of Downtown" in James St. James' memoir *Disco Bloodbath*, this woman was one of the subjects of the 1985 *Newsweek* article that popularized the word "celebutante." She wrote the AIDS-themed musical *Positive Me* and co-hosted MTV's *Awake on the Wild Side*; more prominent roles include a transsexual on *Ally McBeal*, a call girl on *The West Wing*, and sportscaster Bobbi Bernstein on *Sports Night*. Her current TV character recently shared a kiss with the man with whom she's had a love-hate relationship for the past 5 seasons. For ten points, name this actress who plays Princeton-Plainsboro's Dean of Medicine, Dr. Lisa Cuddy, on *House*.

Answer: Lisa Edelstein

16. It was introduced during a 1943 radio show, partly to give actor Bud Collyer an excuse to take some time off. Post-Crisis, much of it was purchased by Kord Industries to take it off the market. It is used by Metallo as a power source. White kills plants, jewel amplifies psychic powers, black causes a personality split, silver makes you paranoid, according to *Smallville*, and blue weakens Bizarro. For ten points, name these fragments of an exploded world whose green version has a weakening effect on Superman.

Answer: Kryptonite

17. Founded in 1984, it sold its first original unit, the "Turbo PC," in 1985 for \$795, which got you an Intel 8088-compatible processor running at a whopping 8 MHz. Briefly offering Linux notebook systems for a year starting in 2000 before suspiciously stopping, as of 2007 it has an expanding market for its units sold with Ubuntu pre-installed. After acquiring Alienware in early 2006, its signature Dimension computers have moved to AMD processors. Overtaking Compaq in 1999 as a market leader in personal computer sales, in 2008 it ranked second only to the Hewlett-Packard Company. For ten points, name this company whose early 2000s ad-campaign featuring Ben Curtis is well remembered for his catchphrase, "Dude, you're getting a" one of these.

Answer: Dell Inc.

18. This man cast Martin Scorsese as Vincent Van Gogh in one of the last films he made before his death. The 1985 action thriller *Runaway Train* was based on a screenplay he co-wrote. He adapted *Hamlet* into *The Bad Sleep Well* and an Ed McBain novel into *High and Low*, and toward the end of his life he went to the Soviet Union to film the Oscar-winning *Dersu Uzala*. Better-known works include a film about the last days in the life of a bureaucrat, *To Live*, the medical drama *Red Beard*, the police procedural *Stray Dog*, and the colorful battle epic *Kagemusha*. The westerns *The Magnificent Seven* and *A Fistful of Dollars* were remakes of movies directed by, for ten points, what man whose *Ran* and *Throne of Blood* brought Shakespeare to Japan?

Answer: Akira Kurosawa

19. They were first used in NASCAR during a transitional period to help smaller teams who couldn't afford to build engines to new specs, from 1971 to 1974. They are used at New Hampshire International Speedway for Modified events, and were used their for Cup events in 2000 as a safety measure after the deaths of Adam Petty and Kenny Irwin, Jr. Featuring holes between seven-eights and one inch in diameter, they have been in use in two locations since 1987, when Davey Allison blew a tire and nearly put his car into the stands at the Winston 500. Placed between the carburetor and the intake manifold, name, for ten points, this piece of equipment used by NASCAR to slow cars at events held at Daytona and Talladega.

Answer: restrictor plate

20. The breakthrough for this Maryland native came when she was recruited to record a song on the *Boomerang* soundtrack written for Anita Baker, "Love Shoulda Brought You Home." Her self-titled 1993 debut included singles "Seven Whole Days" and "You Mean The World To Me." Her more recent releases have not fared as well as her second album, 1996's *Secrets*. She has garnered recent fame for her stint on Broadway as Belle in *Beauty and the Beast* and as a 2008 contestant on *Dancing With The Stars*. For ten points name this R&B singer best remembered for '90s hits "You're Makin' Me High," "Breathe Again," and "Unbreak My Heart."

Answer: Toni Braxton

21. A 1957 BBC adaptation of this production starred a pre-Bond Sean Connery and featured Michael Caine in a bit part. In *The Man in the Funny Suit*, written and directed by Ralph Nelson, Ed Wynn and Keenan Wynn play themselves in a dramatization of Ed's struggle to act in a serious role in this production after a lifetime of doing comedy. Nelson also directed the 1962 film version, which starred Mickey Rooney and Anthony Quinn and featured Cassius Clay in a cameo role. "Mountain" McClintock is played by Jack Palance in, for ten points, what legendary 1956 Rod Serling-scripted teleplay about a punch-drunk boxer at the end of his career?

Answer: Requiem for a Heavyweight