

Delaware Winter Invitational, 2010  
I <3 the Internet packet by Nick Lacock

Tossups

1) **This company, originally based on a program named BackRub, received \$25 million in investment capital from Sequoia Capital in 1999. They relocated to Mountainview from Stanford, and expanded their scope to include a translation service, mapping tools, and most recently the chrome browser. Founded by Larry Page and Sergey Brin, this is for ten points, what most popular site on the Internet?**

ANSWER: Google.com

2) **Deidre LaCarte created this website in 1999 as an homage to her pet. It used four animated gifs of the titular creature, as well as a 9 second audio clip taken from Disney's 1972 anthropomorphic Robin Hood movie. That song was later released as a single, which hit #78 on the US Hot Country chart, and was featured in the films *See Spot Run* and *Are We There Yet?*. The first internet meme, this is for ten points, what website featuring rodents dancing?**

ANSWER: Hamster dance

3) **Early issues of this webcomic feature a four-part segment of a boy floating at sea in a barrel, and another series where red spiders invade geometric shapes. Later issues featured comics titled "My Hobby:" and Richard Stallman being attacked by ninjas. Some of its regular characters are an existential and optimistic figure in a beret, a sadistic hacker wearing a black hat, and his girlfriend. Billing itself as a comic "of romance, sarcasm, math, and language" and created by Randall Munroe, this is for ten points, what webcomic with a meaningless 4-letter name?**

ANSWER: xkcd.com

4) **This film was first introduced to the Internet in a 2005 post in Josh Friedman's blog, nearly a year before it came out. Its inane title and plot summary lead to the creation of numerous fan sites and videos nearly a year before its release. Viral trailer spoofs made this movie into an internet meme that became so influential that it actually prompted changes to the movie. Sharing its name with a song by Cobra Starship, this is for ten points what film starring Samuel L. Jackson, who is tired of these mother-fucking reptiles.**

ANSWER: Snakes on a Plane

5) **This website was founded in 2005 by former PayPal employees Chad Hurley and Steven Chen, who created the website in order to prove that they had attended a certain party. The site experienced a rapid growth in popularity, due mostly to its uniquely easy-to-use interface. It was purchased by Google a year later for \$1.65 billion, and has since faced a number of lawsuits for copyright infringement. Estimated to have over 100 million views per day, for ten points name this popular video hosting site.**

ANSWER: Youtube.com

6) **Amanda Palmer and Margaret Cho make cameo appearances in this video, which opens with the protagonist's aunt and girlfriend visiting for three weeks. The protagonist's mother is featured on the titular object** with the word "Whore" underneath. Liam Sullivan plays Kelly, who pursues the titular piece of clothing in, for ten points, what Youtube video in which the title phrase is repeated over and over?

ANSWER: **Let Me Borrow That Top**

7) **Live versions of this meme have featured prominently at several East Washington University women's basketball games, as well as a 2008 Mets game and Macy's 2008 Thanksgiving Day parade.** Chosen as MIT's annual hack in 2009, the original 4chan version was *duck* and a newer *Obama* version is becoming popular. Trick someone into watching a video of *Never Gonna Give You Up* by Rick Astley to perform, for ten points, what common internet prank?

ANSWER: **Rickrolling**

8) **Well known artists in this genre include Ken Sample, Dark Natasha, and Jay Naylor, while Kyell Gold is one of its better known writers. Knotcast, Clawcast, and Anthropod are popular podcasts targeted towards this audience.** Anthrocon is the largest annual gathering of people from this fandom, where each year the Ursa Major awards are given out. Possibly the most hated group of people on the internet, this is for ten points, what group of people who like animals and occasionally dress up in namesake costumes?

ANSWER: **Furry** fandom or **Furries**

9) **This humor website features columns by Chris Bucholz and Michael Swaim, and a daily caption-adding contest known as Craptions.** Originally created as a magazine of the same name in 1958 with the sole intention of mocking the more popular MAD magazine, this magazine finally made complete transition to the Internet in 2009. Billing itself as "America's only humor and video site since 1958" this is for ten points what website best known for its humorous lists?

ANSWER: **cracked**.com

10) **This site, created by Maxime Valette, Guillaume Passaglia, and Didier Guedj is an English version of the French blog Viedemerde. Entries are rated on a "I agree" or "you deserved it" system, and often consist of one sentence anecdotes such as a man who complains that his girlfriend wants him to be more like a Twilight character, a boy who discovers his parent's have been celebrating his birthday on the wrong day for 16 years, and countless entries about unfaithful partners.** These short entries are all followed by, for ten point, the three initials of what online blog who's French name translates to "life of shit"?

ANSWER: **Fuck My Life** or **fmylife**.com or **FML**

11) **Originally produced by MFX Video in Brazil, this video was intended to be a trailer for a niche pornographic movie.** Once posted to the internet, it rapidly gained popularity and was briefly mentioned on several popular TV shows, including *Law and Order SVU* and *Family Guy*. Lately, videos of people reacting to this video have become popular.

Featuring two titular women, this is for ten points what viral video in which they eat from a titular object?

ANSWER: 2 Girls, 1 Cup

12) **This site was sold to eBay in 2007 and became independent again in 2009. It uses a combination of machine categorization and user ratings and preferences to organize and identify popular websites.** This site also recently added "Thru" and "Video" applications to increase functionality. Users build a profile and answer questions about their likes and dislikes on, for ten points, what website that recommends videos, games, and other sites based on interest?

ANSWER: stumble upon.com (prompt on Stumble)

13) **This movement gained popularity after publishing a 2005 letter to the Kansas school board, demanding that their theory of "unintelligent design" be taught alongside both Evolution and Creationism.** In their holy book, the author claims that the increase in both height and population since the beginning of time is proof of their deity, and attributes global warming to the decline in pirates, who are divine emissaries of this faux religion. Worshipping the Spaghedeity ["Spah-geh-deity"], this is for ten points what internet religion that wants you to be touched by his noodly appendage?

ANSWER: Pastafarianism or Church of the Flying Spaghetti Monster or FSMism

14) **Created by David Bohnett and John Reznar as Beverly Hills Internet, it was originally divided into six themed neighborhoods: Colosseum, Hollywood, Rodeo Drive, Sunset Strip, Wall Street, and West Hollywood. It never turned a profit, although it was purchased by Yahoo in 1999.** Many people looked down on this site as amateurish, yet it hosted over 38 million webpages at the time of its closure. Shut down in October 2009, for ten points, name this web hosting service where anyone could create and post a website into a themed "city".

ANSWER: GeoCities.com

15) **The first one of these, *Islands of Kesami* was created in 1984. Some other examples include *Tibia*, *Drasnik*, and the Star Wars themed *The Old Republic*.** In an episode of *The Office*, Pam and Jim are surprised to find that Dwight is a regular player on one of these called *Second Life*. These types of games are occasionally used in sociological studies to study interactions between players. *EverQuest* and *Runescape* are some more examples of, for ten points what type of virtual world game, the most famous of which is *World of Warcraft*?

ANSWER: Massively Multiplayer Online game (Accept Massively Multiplayer Online Role Playing Game)

16) **This internet music group's members worked together on a 2007 film in collaboration with producer Will Ferrell. This group got their start publishing music videos and songs on the web such as *Lazy Sunday*, *Dick in a Box* and *Jizz in My Pants*, even collaborating with T. Payne for their YouTube hit *I'm On a Boat*.** The lead singer in this group is also the star of their film *Hot Rod*. This is, for ten points, what internet sensation whose lead singer is *Saturday Night Live*'s Andy Sandberg?

ANSWER: The Lonely Island Boys

17) **Founded by the Spiridellis brothers, this site's first satire video hit the web in 1999, and they hit it big in 2000 with a musical video satirizing the presidential candidates.** This site collaborated with Weird Al Yankovic on their video *C.N.R.*, and some popular titles from this site include *Big Box-Mart*, *2-0-5*, *Nuckin Futz*, and *Time for some Campaignin'*. For ten points, name this site famous for its political satire music videos, including 2004's *This Land* featuring George Bush and John Kerry.

ANSWER: JibJab.com

18) **Alexa ranks this website, which spawned a political party, as the 105th most popular on the Internet. Gottfrid Svartholm and Fredrik Neij were sentenced to a year in prison for running this website, which was raided in 2006 for copyright violation and which shut down its tracker in November 2009.** Formerly the largest Bittorrent host on the Internet, this is for ten points what Swedish website whose logo features a titular ship sporting a cassette-and-cross-bones sail.

ANSWER: The Pirate Bay.org or TPB

19) **The first recorded use of one was in 1857, expressed as the Morse code number 73. They became popular in the 1970's with the PLATO system, which connected small pictures with certain strings of text.** English versions are usually read from left to right whereas Eastern version of these can usually be interpreted vertically. One of the most common ones, "colon hyphen open-parenthesis" indicates happiness. Often used in informal text conversations, this is for ten points what textual representation of emotion?

ANSWER: Emoticons

20) **This meme inspired Wetriffs.com, an xkcd spinoff in which people play guitar naked in the shower. It started with somethingawful user Electric Eggs, whose drawing illustrating this phenomenon was subtitled "the internet - raping your childhood since 1996"** and features an unseen sex act between Calvin and Hobbes. Biblical figures, Tetris, Redwall, Final Fantasy and an extensive collection of Star Wars, Pokemon, Digimon and Otaku slash fiction validate this internet law that states, for ten points, that "if you can think of it, there is porn of it."

ANSWER: Rule 34 of the Internet

21) **This site, founded by Barbara and David Mikkelson, takes its name from a family that makes several appearances in the works of William Faulkner.** Some popular articles on this site include one that busts the Sony Ericsson "Free Laptop" scam, another that proves that onions don't collect the flu virus, and another affirming once and for all that Obama has a genuine US birth certificate. For ten points, name this alternately titled "Urban Legends Reference Pages" that has recently become the *Mythbusters* of the internet.

ANSWER: snopes.com

22) **This game, Metanet software's only product, was ported to the XBox 360, PSP, and Nintendo DS. Its level editor, NEd ensures that you will never run out of levels of this**

**game. There are five levels in an episode of this 2D platform game where you might find enemies such as Thwumps, Floor Chasers, Gauss Turrets and Homing Missiles. For ten points, name this popular flash game where you play as a ninja avoiding death and collecting square gold pieces.**

ANSWER: N game (Accept N+ games)

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Bonuses

1) The Internet loves cats. Name some lolcats for ten points each

[10] This lolcat equivalent of God watches you masturbate.

ANSWER: **Ceiling** Cat

[10] Ceiling Cat's nemesis is this evil bottom-dwelling black cat.

ANSWER: **Basement** Cat

[10] This long thin lolcat, who originally appeared on a curtain rod, is named for his resemblance to a mode of transportation.

ANSWER: **Monorail** Cat

2) Name these internet browsers for ten points each

[10] This internet browser comes free with Windows

ANSWER: **Internet Explorer** also accept **MSN** or **MSN Explorer**

[10] The first version of Internet Explorer was largely created to replace this browser, standard issue with Windows 95, since it was not made by Microsoft.

ANSWER: **Netscape**

[10] This early web browser was developed at the National Center for Supercomputing Applications. Many of its authors went on to create Netscape.

ANSWER: **Mosaic**

3) Name these popular internet wikis for ten points each.

[10] The grand-daddy of them all is this project founded in 2001 by Jimbo Wales and Larry Sanger

ANSWER: **Wikipedia**

[10] This encyclopedia is a parody of Wikipedia. Its logo is a brown potato named Sophia, and its slogan is "the content-free encyclopedia"

ANSWER: **Uncyclopedia**

[10] This not-safe-for-work encyclopedia has an AE ligature as its logo and its slogan is "in lulz we trust"

ANSWER: **Encyclopedia Dramatica**

4) Michael from The Office thinks it's sung by the cookie monster. For ten points each

[10] "Some stay dry and others feel the pain" in this 2007 viral video sung with a ridiculously deep voice and odd mannerisms

ANSWER: **Chocolate Rain**

[10] Chocolate Rain was written and performed by what amateur musician?

ANSWER: Tay **Zonday** (accept Adam Nyerere **Bahner**)

[10] Chocolate Rain was later covered by several famous artists, including a spoof by this Green Day drummer

ANSWER: Tre **Cool**

5) Time for a social networking bonus. Name these blogging and networking sites for ten points each

[10] One of the earliest social networking sites, this weblog allows users to give and receive eProps and comment on each other's posts

ANSWER: **Xanga**

[10] News Corp purchased this social networking site for \$326 million in 2006. Its has plummeted in popularity since.

ANSWER: **Myspace**

[10] This site's claims to fame include the ability to update from your phone and its "microblogs" more frequently referred to as bird noises

ANSWER: **Twitter**

6) None of you are Internet pirates are you? If you are, then you will have no problem naming some things about some software that is frequently used for piracy.

[10] This file-sharing protocol shares pieces of files called "seeds" between individual computers called "peers" and then reassembles the file fragments.

ANSWER: **Bittorrent**

[10] This founder of CodeCon created Bittorrent.

ANSWER: **Bram Cohen**

[10] This is the term for a server that coordinates the distribution and sharing of torrents between computers.

ANSWER: **Tracker**

7) The first one was created by Dustin McLean and posted to Youtube in October 2008. For ten points each

[10] This is what new genre of internet video in which someone takes a well-known illogical music video and redubs the audio to describe what is happening in the video itself.

ANSWER: **Literal** music video

[10] Maclean made the first literal music video using this 1984 song from A-Ha about a woman who goes inside a comic book

ANSWER: **Take On Me**

[10] One of the next literal music videos was a redub of this 1993 Meat Loaf song featuring candles, flashlights, motorcycles, and a beauty-and-the-beast theme.

ANSWER: I'd Do **Anything for Love** (But I Won't Do That)

8) Lots of young people get their news from the internet today. Name these internet news websites for ten points each.

[10] The logo of this "social news website" is a red-eyed alien. Users vote on links and articles, which are then ranked by popularity.

ANSWER: **Reddit**.com

[10] Similar to Reddit is this other news site, where users can bury unpopular stories. The front page is made of the most popular stories.

ANSWER: **Digg**.com

[10] This "news for nerds" website created by Rob Malda has a namesake effect in which a popular website links to a less popular website, causing it to crash.

ANSWER: **Slashdot.org**

9) Name these search engines for ten points each.

[10] This search engine simply compiles the top results of better search engines. Its search button says "Go Fetch!".

ANSWER: **Dogpile**

[10] Microsoft recently unveiled this search engine with an onomatopoeic name.

ANSWER: **Bing**

[10] This up-and-coming search engine builds a homepage for each query. Its name is a combination of the Hebrew word for "Jesus" and an acronym.

ANSWER: **Yebol**

10) Name these internet music sites for ten points each.

[10] This most popular free listening site with a mythologically-inspired name uses the Music Genome Project to predict songs you might like.

ANSWER: **Pandora.com**

[10] This site, with the slogan "internet radio that plays what you want", alternates between signed and unsigned artists related to your preferences.

ANSWER: **Jango.com**

[10] This US-only RealNetworks site allows users to download songs temporarily to a portable device.

ANSWER: **Rhapsody.com**

11) Identify these Internet terms for ten points each.

[10] This is the blanket term for internet language, where numbers and symbols replace letters.

ANSWER: **Leetspeak**, **eleetspeak**, or **1337 speak**

[10] This error code for a non-existent URL frustrates users everywhere.

ANSWER: **404**

[10] This Usenet slang expression refers to AOL's decision in September 1993 to add Usenet to its services, thus creating a perpetual influx of newbies

ANSWER: **Eternal September**

12) Name these things related to a popular Harry Potter fan-fiction video series for ten points each.

[10] This Neil Cicierega-created fan series depicts the Hogwarts students and staff as hand puppets

ANSWER: **Potter Puppet Pals**

[10] This activity is a favorite pass-time of Ron, Hermione, and Harry on the Potter Puppet Pals series: pestering a particular teacher.

ANSWER: **Bothering Snape**

[10] In the Potter Puppet Pal's video "That Mysterious Ticking Noise", this ends up being the source of the titular sound.

ANSWER: A **pipe bomb**

13) Identify these videos from mashable.com's 2009 "Top Twenty Youtube and Video Memes" for ten points each:

[10] This popular animation parodies the terrible English translation of the Japanese game *Zero Wing* with memorable quotes such as "Take off every ZIG"

ANSWER: **All Your Base** are belong to us

[10] The titular character in this animation is unwillingly taken along on an adventure, meets a magical liopleurodon on the way, and ultimately has his kidneys stolen.

ANSWER: **Charlie the Unicorn**

[10] This repetitive meme originated on weebly-stuff.com, and in addition to the titular animal, features a mushroom and a snake.

ANSWER: **Badger Badger Badger**

14) Name these facts about a certain figure for five points each and a bonus five for all correct.

[5] While many people wear pajamas with Superman on them, Superman wears pajamas with this man on them.

ANSWER: **Chuck Norris**

[5] You can find one of these behind Chuck Norris' beard.

ANSWER: Another **Fist**

[5] Chuck Norris invented this, to which his tears are apparently an antidote.

ANSWER: **Cancer**

[5] Chuck Norris's hand is the only one that can beat one of these

ANSWER: **Royal flush** (accept **straight flush**)

[5] Chuck Norris can kill two of these with one bird

ANSWER: **Stones**

15) Identify these internet-based businesses from a description for ten points each.

[10] This movie rental site was founded in response to Blockbuster's poor rental policies. It's slogan is "No late fees! Ever!".

ANSWER: **Netflix**.com

[10] This company operates on a business model identical to Netflix's. Users put video games they want in their GameQ.

ANSWER: **Gamefly**.com

[10] This popular computer hardware seller takes its name from a Taiwanese saying that means "new beginnings".

ANSWER: **Newegg**.com

16) Name these most watched Youtube videos of all time for ten points each.

[10] Coming in at #2 with over 130 million hits was this video featuring Judson Laipply in a dancing montage of music throughout the ages.

ANSWER: The **Evolution of Dance**

[10] At third is this video by comedian Jeff Dunham featuring a skeleton puppet

ANSWER: **Achmed** the Dead Terrorist (prompt on "Dead Terrorist")

[10] In this tenth most popular video, a contestant in the titular contest rambles incoherently about why she thinks that "one fifth of Americans can't locate the US on a world map".

ANSWER: **Miss Teen USA** 2007

17) Name these products that the internet loves to hate.

[10] A popular YouTube video likens this products commercial to cult propaganda. Come on people, it's just a backwards robe!

ANSWER: **Snuggie** (or **Sleeved Blanket** or **Slanket**)

[10] A series of videos about these beverages claims that they are made from real lightning and will cause you to have 400 babies that will run faster than Kenyans.

ANSWER: **Powerthirst** (accept **Energy Drinks**)

[10] This anti-copying technology commonly embedded on CD's has sparked a major uproar on the internet regarding copyright issues.

ANSWER: **Digital Rights Management**

18) Identify these hugely popular flash games from a description for ten points each.

[10] This game is now available on Wii, Nintendo DS, and on the iPhone and was featured in a McDonald's commercial: the little guy on the sled does back flips over the golden arches.

ANSWER: **Line Rider**

[10] This game, produced by Limex, is a favorite of structural engineers. In it, users design the cheapest structure that will allow the workers to deliver their payload.

ANSWER: **Cargo Bridge**

[10] Developed for Armor games, there is now an iPhone version of this game, where you launch projectiles from a trebuchet to knock down medieval structures.

ANSWER: **Crush the Castle** (also accept **Castle Clout**)

19) Identify these popular image hosting sites for ten points each.

[10] This site, powered by Yahoo!, is also part networking site and allows other users to organize pictures for you.

ANSWER: **Flickr.com**

[10] If you've never been to this site, don't be discouraged by the explicit-sounding name. It remains dominated by user-created manga, but hosts all kinds of visual art.

ANSWER: **DeviantArt.com**

[10] This site's claim to fame is that it hosts images with a short URL, as its name might suggest.

ANSWER: **TinyPic.com**

20) For ten points each, name these tidbits about a certain website.

[10] This site was founded by Will Ferrell and Adam McKay, who are both regular contributors along with Judd Apatow and James Franco

ANSWER: **FunnyOrDie.com**

[10] This viral video features Adam McKay's daughter, drunk and irate, trying to collect the rent from her tenants.

ANSWER: The **Landlord**

[10] What is the name of McKay's daughter, who also stars in a number of videos including *Good Cop*, *Baby Cop* and a mock interview with E!

ANSWER: **Pearl**

21) Name these graphics plugins for the stated number of points.

[5,5] For five points each, name these plugins, formerly developed by Macromedia, that are now developed and distributed by Adobe

ANSWER: **Flashplayer** and **Shockwave**

[10] For ten, this Microsoft answer to Flashplayer was released in 2009. It is the format for the new Line Rider game as well as "instant view" movies on Netflix.

ANSWER: **Silverlight**

[10] For ten, this plugin has the same name as the markup language it interprets. The language was designed at MIT to incorporate and interpret HTML, Java, and C++ and is compatible with most operating systems.

ANSWER: **Curl** Run Time Environment

22) Acronyms! I will give you some acronyms and you give me the phrase for ten points each

[10] HTTP: Seen in front of virtually every URL.

ANSWER: **Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol**

[10] MLIA: An online blog that celebrates the small joys in life.

ANSWER: **My life is average**

[10] NSFW: This tag is added to sites containing violence, nudity, and/or vulgarity.

ANSWER: **Not safe for work**

23) Given some flash games, name the website that originally featured them for ten points each.

[10] *Storm the House 1,2 and 3, Gemcraft, Indestructo Tank 1 and 2, Snowball 1 and 2*. This site was previously know as Gondor Games

ANSWER: **Armor** Games (.com)

[10] *Thing-Thing 1,2 and 3, Pandemic 1 and 2, and the Boxhead series*

ANSWER: **Crazy Monkey** Games (.com)

[10] *Heli Attack 1,2, and 3, Bloxorz, Club Penguin, and Commando*. This site also links users to *Runescape* and a number of other MMORPGs.

ANSWER: **Miniclip**.com