

ok, the way this goes is that all the questions are about builders/building, etc, but of dubious reality or legitimacy

1. A film about this building uses three different aspect ratios for its three different timelines. One wall of this building's dining room is covered by a mural of mountain peaks, one of which is topped by a statue of a stag. Two people who work in this building steal skis from a locker marked "clerical use only." This building's owner refuses to sell it because it is his last link to a woman who died from the Prussian Grippe and hid tools inside the pastries she made. The character in charge of this building has a habit of sleeping with older women like Madame Desgoff-und-Taxis, and this building's concierge is Monsieur Gustave. Despite its name, this building owned by Zero Moustafa can actually be found in the Republic of Zubrowka, not in the capital of Hungary. For 10 points, name this setting of the most recent Wes Anderson movie.

ANSWER: the **Grand Budapest Hotel**

2. Parts of this structure, including the much-delayed *Nauka*, may be repurposed in the upcoming OPSEK. The construction of this structure took careful account of the beta angle, and its backbone is provided by the Integrated Truss Structure. This structure's main hub is the Unity module, and it is powered by solar arrays that can rotate into Night Glider mode when it goes behind the Earth. A seven-window domed observatory in this structure is called the Cupola and was the setting for a YouTube-famous cover of a David Bowie song. This structure is divided into the Russian Orbital Segment and the United States Orbital Segment and is the result of combining the *Freedom* and *Mir-2* projects. For 10 points, name this largest of Earth's artificial satellites.

ANSWER: **International Space Station**

3. The wife of this architect worries about his mental health and confides in Dr. Herdal. This architect plans to subdivide the land on which his wife's family home stands in order to build numerous smaller houses, and this architect's two children with his wife Aline die from contaminated breastmilk. Employees of this architect include Knut Brovik, Ragnar Brovik, and Kaia Fosli. This architect promises a "kingdom" of "castles in the sky" to Hilda Wangel, who encourages him to lay a wreath at the top of a steeple. During that climb of one of his buildings, this architect falls to his death. For 10 points, name this successful small-town Norwegian architect, a Master Builder created by Henrik Ibsen.

ANSWER: **Halvard Solness** [accept either; prompt on "the Master Builder" until mentioned]

4. Perhaps the first commission completed by this creator of the agalmata was an elaborate dancing floor. The only resident of one building designed by this man was named Asterion. This architect had a hard time designing some doors because he was really sad. Because he was jealous that his nephew invented the saw, this architect pushed Perdix off a cliff. This architect ensured the death of one of his clients by having him boiled in his bath the by daughters of another of this man's patrons, who asked him to thread a seashell. For 10 points, name this Cretan architect who was commissioned by King Minos to create the Labyrinth, a prison the Minotaur.

ANSWER: **Daedalus**

5. The building this music video takes place in was criticized for not having "Hype Williams-level lighting." This music video is set in a building with a concrete floor and whose corrugated copper sheet metal walls are reinforced by x-shaped braces and covered in a green patina. A long banquet table and its chairs are the only furniture visible in this music video, which takes place in a warehouse whose glass ceiling is visible once its star climbs on top of a piano to talk about his plan over an ensemble of black-clad ballerinas. For 10 points, name this song off *My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy* in which Kanye suggests raising a toast to the douchebags.

ANSWER: "**Runaway**"

6. A composer once described a piece about this structure as reeking of cow-pats and "to-thyself-be-enough-ness." A musical composition about this structure appears in between one about a dancing princess and one about a green-clad woman. A tune about this structure arranged by Trent Reznor and Atticus Ross appears during the Henley Regatta, a boat race the Winklevoss twins compete in in *The Social Network*. When he is about to murder someone, Peter Lorre's character in Fritz Lang's *M* whistles that tune about this structure. A musical invocation of this home of Dovregubben was composed as incidental music for a Henrik Ibsen play. For 10 points, name this underground lair Peer Gynt visits in a dream in a composition by Edvard Grieg.

ANSWER: the **Hall of the Mountain King**

7. Two residents of this building switch living spaces after the opening of a Kenny Rogers Roasters restaurant with a large neon sign across the street from it. A man who claims to be Karl Varnsen lives in this building, whose address is given to an employment counselor as the address of the latex company Vandelay Industries. The most famous

resident of this building almost has his ex-girlfriend move in above him in the episode “The Apartment.” Two residents of this building commonly hang out at Monk’s Cafe with their two other friends. For 10 points, name this building at 129 W 81st Street, which is home to Kosmo Cramer and his neighbor, a prominent comedian turned sitcom actor.

ANSWER: Jerry **Seinfeld’s apartment** building [or **Jerry’s apartment** building]

8. This building’s fifth floor contains a magical healing spot. This building’s manager gives the EXPN Card, which expands the capabilities of the Radio Card in games in which this building is converted into a radio tower. The Silph Scope is necessary to identify the denizens of this building. After rescuing Mr. Fuji from Team Rocket in this building, the player obtains a flute that can be used to wake up Snorlax, and this building is haunted by the ghost of a Marowak. This seven-story building is somehow a graveyard for creatures that can’t usually die. For 10 points, name this tall, generically named building in Lavender Town.

ANSWER: **Pokemon Tower**

9. A secretary named Mafalda Hopkirk sends warning letters from this building. After a coup, this building’s central fountain changes from golden to black stone. This walls of this building’s atrium are covered with golden fireplaces, and it can be accessed by dialing a certain number in a nearby telephone booth, or, later, by flushing oneself down a toilet . Level nine of this building contains the Department of Mysteries, which stores copies of prophecies in glass orbs and is home to the veil Sirius Black falls through. This building underneath Whitehall includes the chambers of the Wizengamot and the Auror Office. For 10 points, name this headquarters for the central governing body of the British wizarding world.

ANSWER: **Ministry of Magic** headquarters

10. A nightlight in this building is shaped like the Starship Enterprise This building is analyzed by an engineer named Billy Reston, and explorer Holloway Roberts commits suicide on camera in this building. The mother of a man interested in this building is an inmate at the Three Attic Whalestoe Institution, and this building’s complexities are documented by its owner, a photojournalist named Will. After a trip to Seattle, the residents of this house discover a closet where previously there was a blank wall, and a living room here connects to the “Five and a Half Minute Hallway.” The story of this building is written by the elderly Zampano and read by the tattoo artist Johnny Truant. Whenever this building is mentioned, it appears in blue text. For 10 points, name this residence that titles a Mark Z. Danielewski novel.

ANSWER: the house in **House of Leaves** [or the **Navidson house**]

11. This building’s interior is enclosed by thin orange walls, and instead of a real ceiling, it has an open lattice covered with foliage. A snack machine in this building contains many kinds of foods dispensed by pushing buttons labeled with pictures of who the snack is for. This building’s closet is the subject of a running gag in which its overpacked contents always crush whoever tries to open it. It’s not Hogwarts, but an owl delivers letters to this building from a group of helpers led by a girl named Jackie. Visitors to this building are inevitably described with the Malagasy word “mangatsika” and are welcomed with the song “Who Could It Be?”, and those visitors are wild creatures like Toothbrush the elephant and Shark the chameleon. Chris and Martin Kratt hang out with a talking sifaka lemur in this building. For 10 points, name this setting of PBS’s show *Zoboomafoo*.

ANSWER: **Animal Junction**

12. When four characters from this city travel to Westchester, their true origin is revealed by the fact that they have Boost Mobile SIM cards. A character from this city asks his love interest if Dominguez High School is in Paramount or this city, and another character from here asks the narrator to “come back a man” and “tell [his] story to these black and brown kids” from here. A character who praises this city proclaims “ain’t no city quite like mine.” Characters travel down this city’s Rosecrans Avenue in a purple Dodge Caravan that belongs to a woman who keeps calling the narrator because she needs the van to go pick up her food stamps. This city gives its name to the last track on an album that includes “The Art of Peer Pressure” and “Swimming Pools.” For 10 points, name this “m.a.a.d. city” that is the setting of Kendrick Lamar’s breakout album and the hometown of rap group NWA.

ANSWER: **Compton**, CA

13. One of these buildings is guarded by homeless Robocops called Hobocops, and that Halloween-appropriate building is called Jellybowls. Another of these buildings, appropriate for Valentine’s Day, is Booooooof. The last of these buildings contains human magic eight-balls, and the person who describes it almost marries Anderson Cooper. The descriptions of these buildings were commonly changed at the last minute by John Mulaney. The character who recommends these places is an anxiety-ridden “city correspondent” in an Ed Hardy shirt. For 10

points, name these venues recommended during the Weekend Update by Bill Hader's character Stefon in a recurring SNL segment about "New York's hottest" places.

ANSWER: nightclubs

14. This architect's signature is visible inside a glacier, and his name is perhaps the rudest sounding possibility allowed by BBC radio censors. This architect's masterpiece was destroyed in order to make room for a hyperspace bypass, and he ends up traveling to a cricket ground there in a Bistromathic spaceship. This architect, who won an award for designing Norway, would like to redesign Africa with the addition of fjords to give it a more baroque feel. At the behest of the supercomputer Deep Thought, interdimensional mice hire this architect and his colleagues to design a computer that can figure out the ultimate question of Life, The Universe, and Everything, whose answer is 42. For 10 points, name this planetary architect created by Douglas Adams.

ANSWER: Slartibartfast

15. A futuristic version of this structure is imagined as having four turbo-chutes and a "Boy-o-Matic" washing machine, and the plants on one side of it don't grow very well because a character pees on them during the night. A teenage girl who works in this building constantly uses its phone to talk to her boyfriend Charlie almost has her science notes flushed down one of its toilets. A horde of snowmen, occasionally holding picket signs, sometimes block this building's driveway, and those snowmen are constructed by the alleged perpetrator of the noodle incident, who lives here. The organization G.R.O.S.S. is headquartered in a tree-fort in this house's backyard, and the tome *Hamster Huey and the Goeey Kablooie* can be found within it. For 10 points, name this building where a boy lives with his stuffed tiger Hobbes.

ANSWER: Calvin's house

16. There are five main apartment buildings visible from this location, and a newlywed couple lives in the westernmost one, which is separated by an alleyway from a much shorter two-story building in which "Miss Torso" lives. Binoculars and a telephoto lens are used to see more from this location, which is part of the apartment where Stella the nurse works. People visible through this object include a dancer whose boyfriend is off in the army, a pianist whose apartment has a glassed-in living room, and the couple Mr. and Mrs. Thorwald. Because he is confined to a wheelchair after breaking his leg photographing an auto race, Jimmy Stewart's character Jeff Jeffries spends his days looking through this object. For 10 points, name this aperture that titles Alfred Hitchcock film.

ANSWER: the Rear Window

17. The protagonist initially visits this building because its owner claims to have baked him a cake. Looking through this building's skylight above a rug with a sunburst design results in transportation to the Tower of the Wing Cap. The top floor of this building contains the the Tick Tock Clock and an endless staircase that produces a Shepard tone when climbed, and its basement contains an elusive rabbit. A room in this building with three stained glass windows grants access to a secret slide. Most of this building's rooms house paintings the protagonist can enter. A cannon on the grounds of this building grants access to its roof once the player acquires 120 stars. For 10 points, name this palatial setting of a popular N64 launch title that stars everyone's favorite plumber in 3D.

ANSWER: Princess Peach's Castle [or the castle in Super Mario 64]

18. This building presumably has a seventh floor, but it can't be reached by elevator or the main stairway. The western side of this building's ground floor includes a room with black widow spider design inlaid on the floor and a label that reads "Mobbs Lab," and its east side features a display tells the history of Franz Boas and Ruth Benedict. This building's inscription quotes the Book of Job and says "Speak to the earth and it shall teach thee." The eighth floor of this building is home to the Stronach Center, while its sixth floor houses a fourteen-seat geology library. This building forms the northern side of the only complete, enclosed quadrangle on campus. Freshmen are often confused by this building's "extension," which is only reachable from its fourth, sixth, and ninth floors. For 10 points, name this worst building at Columbia, which causes Aidan Mehigan to suffer on his way to art history lectures.

ANSWER: Schermerhorn Hall

19. In front of this building stands a fountain brought from an Italian piazza and topped by an Egyptian obelisk, which is drawn in a "very passable echo of Piranesi" and inspires a "conversion to the Baroque." Nanny Hawkins lives in the nursery on the top floor of this building. Several medallions in this house's garden room are painted by man who later takes an artistic tour of the ruins of Latin America. An art nouveau chapel here includes a "beaten-copper lamp of deplorable design," which the narrator finds "burning anew among the old stones" of this house. One resident of this house drinks whiskey alone in his room during dinner parties, much to the distress of Teresa Flyte.

This house belongs to the Marchmain family, who often host Charles Ryder. For 10 points, name this house that gets revisited in an Evelyn Waugh novel.

ANSWER: **Brideshead**

20. An owner of this building helps refurbish it while still wearing her wedding dress. The facade of this building has four sections that are red, blue, green, and yellow, and its window frames are purple with yellow trim, matching a purple handprint on its mailbox. Four model zeppelins hang in a nursery in this building. A setback occurs when a GPS device is dropped out of this building, leading to the suggestion that one character take a bus back to his mother. Above this building's fireplace is a painting of it standing next to the top of a waterfall, and this house's most prominent feature is attached to that fireplace. This building is later tethered to the earth by its garden hose, and its intended destination is Paradise Falls. For 10 points, name this house that lifts off with the help of a bunch of balloons in a Pixar movie.

ANSWER: Mr. Fredrickson's **House** in **Up**