

ACRONYM IX - Round 1 Bonuses

1. It centers on Tristran Thorn, who is searching for the fallen star Yvaine. For 10 points each:
[10] Name this fantasy novel by Neil Gaiman.

ANSWER: **Stardust**

[10] Ziggy Stardust is the title character of an album by this British singer, who died two days after releasing his album *Blackstar* in January 2016.

ANSWER: David **Bowie** ["BOH-ee] [accept David **Jones**]

[10] *Stardust* is also the name of an album by this red-headed country singer of "On The Road Again.

ANSWER: Willie **Nelson**

2. Midwest Innocence Project member Kathleen Zellner is leading the appeals of this man's convictions. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this man, who was exonerated of multiple crimes in 2003 before being convicted for killing a photographer two years later.

ANSWER: Steven **Avery**

[10] Steven Avery is the subject of this Netflix documentary series, filmed over the course of ten years by Laura Ricciardi and Moira Demos.

ANSWER: **Making a Murderer**

[10] *Making a Murderer* has some similarities to this 2015 HBO series, whose subject Robert Durst said to himself that he "killed them all" while unaware that his microphone was on.

ANSWER: The **Jinx**

3. For 10 points each, name these video game franchises created by Rockstar Games, none of which are Grand Theft Auto:

[10] Though it has lamentably only seen two releases, this excellent western-themed series is one of Rockstar's most critically acclaimed. Its most recent entry is 2010's *Redemption*.

ANSWER: **Red Dead** [accept **Red Dead Redemption** or **Red Dead Revolver**]

[10] "Bullet time" sequences factor heavily into this series about a former police officer, who frequently encounters the assassin Mona Sax.

ANSWER: **Max Payne**

[10] Among Rockstar's less violent output is this racing series, whose most recent entry received an enhanced "Dub Edition."

ANSWER: **Midnight Club**

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4. Jacob Portman encounters this character with the help of Emma while searching for information about his grandfather. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this woman who runs a "Home for Peculiar Children" in a novel series by Ransom Riggs.

ANSWER: Miss **Peregrine**

[10] In *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children*, Jacob meets the title character after performing this action, which also occurs in a 1963 Madeleine L'Engle novel.

ANSWER: **traveling** back in **time** [or equivalent]

[10] After Miss Peregrine is turned into a bird, the kids leave for London in this sequel to *Miss Peregrine's School for Peculiar Children*.

ANSWER: **Hollow City**

5. In 2015, a federal judge ruled that Warner/Chappell Music did not hold a legal copyright on this song, which placed it in the public domain. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this incredibly ubiquitous song.

ANSWER: **Happy Birthday** to You

[10] Among the most famous performances of "Happy Birthday" is this model and actress's sultry performance of it for then-president John F. Kennedy in 1962.

ANSWER: Marilyn **Monroe** [accept Norma Jeane **Mortenson**]

[10] In 2013, this device used one of its built-in instruments to sing "Happy Birthday" to itself. It is currently exploring the Gale Crater.

ANSWER: **Curiosity** rover [prompt on things like "the Mars rover"]

6. This franchise did not earn its first win until the penultimate game of its second season, and was also the worst in the NFL during the 2014 season. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this team which has shown some improvement under quarterback Jameis [JAY-miss] Winston.

ANSWER: **Tampa Bay Buccaneers** [accept either; prompt on 'Bucs']

[10] This product of Boise State, who starts at running back for the Buccaneers, led the league in rushing for much of the 2015 season.

ANSWER: Doug **Martin**

[10] On defense, the Buccaneers are anchored by this linebacker, who led the 2015 squad in both tackles and interceptions.

ANSWER: Lavonte **David**

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7. Simon Masrani is killed while fleeing this creature after his helicopter is attacked by a group of Pteranodons. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this creature, ostensibly bred by idiots who never learn from the past.

ANSWER: **Indominus Rex** [prompt on 'dinosaur' or similar answers]

[10] Indominus Rex proved to be a significant problem for this amusement park situated on Isla Nublar [EES-luh NOO-blahr].

ANSWER: **Jurassic World** [do not accept or prompt on 'Jurassic Park']

[10] Prior to his death, Masrani's namesake conglomerate acquired this company, which unwisely developed the technology to clone dinosaurs.

ANSWER: **InGen** Corporation [or **International Genetics** Incorporated or **International Genetic** Technologies]

8. This song became a smash hit after being remixed by German DJ Felix Jeahn, whom the original performer has never met in person. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this reggae pop hit by OMI [OH-mee] about someone who is "always right there when I need her."

ANSWER: **Cheerleader**

[10] OMI followed up "Cheerleader" with this other single. OMI compares the song's title toy to a love that "winds me up," though that Wham-O made toy doesn't actually wind.

ANSWER: **Hula Hoop**

[10] Felix Jeahn also released a popular remix of this Ed Sheeran song, in which he seeks to "keep his love" in the title object.

ANSWER: **Photograph**

9. These sequences are set to the beginning of the R.E.M. song "Everybody Hurts." For 10 points each:

[10] Name these sequences, in which celebrities are seen reading derogatory comments about themselves found on social media.

ANSWER: **Mean Tweets** [accept more verbose answers as long as they say "Mean Tweets" at some point]

[10] Mean Tweets is a recurring segment on a late-night TV series hosted by this man, who also hosted the game show *Win Ben Stein's Money*.

ANSWER: Jimmy **Kimmel**

[10] In one version of Mean Tweets, this man stated that a tweet's suggestion of abandoning him on a golf course halfway around the world was a "great idea."

ANSWER: Barack **Obama**

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10. He was played by Tim Roth in the 2015 film *United Passions*, which earned just \$607 at the US box office. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this man, accused of both bribery and human rights violations related to events awarded to Russia and Qatar.

ANSWER: Joseph "Sepp" **Blatter**

[10] Sepp Blatter was the embattled president of this organization, which governs international soccer.

ANSWER: **FIFA** [accept **Fédération Internationale de Football Association**]

[10] Blatter hails from this European country, which is also home to FIFA's headquarters where several officials were arrested in June 2015.

ANSWER: **Switzerland**

11. Kids these days seem to enjoy challenging themselves in ways that are incredibly stupid and dangerous. For 10 points each:

[10] One such challenge involves swallowing a tablespoon of this spice and then not drinking anything, which can lead to severe vomiting or lung collapse.

ANSWER: **cinnamon** [accept **cinnamon challenge**]

[10] In early 2016, a 14-year-old in Washington was hospitalized after a challenge in which he was covered with this product and then promptly fell and hit his head.

ANSWER: **duct tape**

[10] Somewhat like the cinnamon challenge, people who make poor life choices may also eat - or even snort - large amounts of this paste, similar to horseradish but much rarer and more pungent.

ANSWER: **wasabi**

12. Music videos often depict a bunch of people riding bicycles for no reason. For 10 points each:

[10] Macklemore and a bunch of his friends ride their bikes during the video for this song, in which he later "pops some tags."

ANSWER: **Thrift Shop**

[10] Thirty Seconds To Mars frontman Jared Leto leads a fleet of cyclists in the video for this song, in which he sings "we were the victims of ourselves."

ANSWER: **Kings and Queens**

[10] Unsurprisingly, bike-riding is very prevalent in the video for this song by the one-hit-wonder Flobots, which brags about riding one without the title features.

ANSWER: **Handlebars**

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13. In 2016, this actor earned a Golden Raspberry nomination for Worst Actor for the fifth straight year. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this actor, who earned his latest nomination in part for playing a former arcade game champion in *Pixels*.

ANSWER: Adam **Sandler**

[10] In 2012, Adam Sandler won the Razzie Awards for Worst Actor *and* Worst Actress for his portrayal of the title siblings in this critically panned film.

ANSWER: **Jack and Jill**

[10] Sandler's latest Razzie nod is also for his performance in this film about a man who finds a family heirloom that lets him literally live in other people's shoes.

ANSWER: The **Cobbler**

14. The creator of this game, Gabriele Cirulli, made it free because he was unwilling to make money from it. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this game in which players must combine identically numbered tiles in order to reach the title number, which is two to the eleventh power.

ANSWER: **2048** ["twenty forty eight"]

[10] Every time a tile is moved in *2048*, an empty space on the game's grid is filled with a new tile, which can have either of these *two* numeric values.

ANSWER: **2** and **4** [prompt on only one of these]

[10] The entire source code for *2048* is available at this website, which is popular for collaboration and version control on open source projects.

ANSWER: **GitHub**.com

15. Several stories and legends depict characters who can be summoned by stating their names. For 10 points each:

[10] One such legend concerns this female ghost, who will allegedly appear in a mirror if someone looking into it says her name three times.

ANSWER: **Bloody Mary** [prompt on 'Mary']

[10] This title character of a 1988 Tim Burton film similarly appears if his name is said three times. A sequel to this film is supposedly in the works.

ANSWER: **Beetlejuice** [or **Betelgeuse**]

[10] Y'Golnag, a deity that can possess someone who says or even reads its name, is part of a fictional universe created by this 20th century author.

ANSWER: H.P. **Lovecraft**

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16. This action names a phrase that TV Tropes calls the opposite of "jumping the shark," to indicate a TV show's permanent *rise* in quality. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this action, which was taken by Commander William Riker in the second season of *Star Trek: The Next Generation*.

ANSWER: **growing a beard** [accept **growing the beard** or **Riker's beard**; basically any similar answer containing 'beard' is fine]

[10] The phenomenon also arguably occurred in *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*, in which this station commander grew a Van Dyke around the time of the show's improvement.

ANSWER: Benjamin **Sisko**

[10] In *Star Trek's* original series, a version of Spock from one of these places is also depicted as having a beard.

ANSWER: **mirror universe** [accept **alternative universe** or similar]

17. This character recently appeared in *The Incredible Paper Chase* which, as usual, also featured his dog Woof and friend Wilma. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this elusive literary character, who wears a red-and-white striped shirt.

ANSWER: **Waldo** [accept **Wally**]

[10] Waldo's nemesis Odlaw wishes to obtain this magical item belonging to Waldo, which enables his ability to travel across time and space. Waldo is usually seen using it with his left hand.

ANSWER: **walking stick** [accept **cane**; prompt on more vague answers like 'stick']

[10] Waldo was created and illustrated by this British artist, who reportedly spends up to eight weeks on each of his books' drawings.

ANSWER: Martin **Handford**

18. Like Left Shark, this person made an entertaining appearance during Katy Perry's Super Bowl halftime show in 2015. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this female rapper, sometimes known by the nickname "Misdemeanor."

ANSWER: Missy **Elliott**

[10] Missy Elliott released this comeback single in 2015, which features Pharrell and notes that "they dance you doing is dumb."

ANSWER: **WTF (Where They From)** [accept either]

[10] Missy bragged she's "lasting 20 rounds" in this earlier hit, which begins with a short phrase in Japanese and has a beat inspired by the bhangra style of Indian music.

ANSWER: **Get Ur Freak On**

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19. In the first movie in which he appears, this man marries Amy after they exchange vows aboard matching Segways. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this "Mall Cop."

ANSWER: Paul **Blart**

[10] Paul Blart is played in two films by this comedic actor, who also played a former collegiate wrestler in *Here Comes the Boom*.

ANSWER: Kevin **James**

[10] In *Paul Blart: Mall Cop*, the West Orange Pavilion Mall is besieged by criminals on this notable day of the year.

ANSWER: **Black Friday** [accept equivalents like the **day after Thanksgiving**]

20. For 10 points each, answer these questions about the most enjoyable of baseball activities, the bat flip:

[10] A particularly righteous bat flip came after this Toronto Blue Jays outfielder, nicknamed "Joey Bats", hit a go-ahead home run in a key game in the 2015 playoffs.

ANSWER: Jose **Bautista**

[10] This Cuban outfielder stated in 2015 that he would try to flip his bat less often in response to criticism that the act was somehow disrespectful to baseball.

ANSWER: Yasiel **Puig** [YAH-see-ell pweeg]

[10] An outspoken critic of bat-flipping is this now-Yankee catcher who physically blocked Carlos Gomez from touching home plate after Gomez did it to celebrate a home run.

ANSWER: Brian **McCann**