

ACRONYM IX - Round 7 Tossups

1. This author contributed *Hearken* to the short story collection *Shards and Ashes*. Though this author is not George R.R. Martin, she does maintain a Tumblr blog titled "The Art of Not Writing." This author is better known for a series whose first book was written during her winter break at Northwestern University. That series includes a short story called *The Initiate*, which depicts a fight between Eric and Tobias Eaton, who goes by "Four." Tris Prior was also created by, for 10 points, what author of the *Divergent* series?

ANSWER: Veronica Roth

2. In 2015, rock band The Wombats covered this song during a visit to the BBC's Live Lounge. Its original performer sang it along with "All That" on an episode of *Saturday Night Live*. The bridge of this song seductively asks its subject "who gave you eyes like that and said you could keep them", and describes "late night watching television" in a scenario that's "way too soon" and "isn't love." For 10 points, name this 2015 song by Carly Rae Jepsen whose chorus repeats a certain word over a dozen times.

ANSWER: I Really Like You [do not accept answers that use the word 'Really' more than once]

3. Chuck Rozanski attempts to sell a rare item for \$500,000 in a 2011 documentary about this event, which was first held at the U.S. Grant Hotel in 1970. The Eisner Awards are presented during this event, attendance at which was likened to "some kind of genocide" by Jesse Eisenberg. This event also holds a "Masquerade" for costume-wearers, and its guests in 2015 included Allie Brosh of *Hyperbole and a Half*, as well as Stan Lee. For 10 points, name this annual convention whose flagship event is held in San Diego.

ANSWER: San Diego Comic-Con International [prompt on less specific answers like 'comic book conventions']

4. In March 2015, this player was suspended for a game after kicking LeBron James in the groin. This player headlined a group that was traded in 2012 for a package including Jeremy Lamb and Kevin Martin. For some reason, Dion Waiters was not allowed to use this player's number 13 when he joined the Thunder, even though this man no longer plays for them. This player celebrates big plays by pretending to stir an invisible pot. Patrick Beverley shares a backcourt with, for 10 points, what Houston Rocket with an enormous beard?

ANSWER: James Harden

5. In early TV roles, this person hosted a children's game show named for her "boot camp." She is the youngest person to win a Daytime Emmy, which she won for a series that also starred her brother Robert. For legal reasons, this host of a series that called her "the Jungle Girl" had to prove her father was dead to earn money from a 2015 show. In that show, she was paired with Derek Hough and won the mirrorball trophy. For 10 points, name this most recent winner of *Dancing With the Stars*, the daughter of an Australian "crocodile hunter."

ANSWER: Bindi Irwin [accept either]

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6. This film was inspired by a painting titled *Pollice Verso* and was dedicated to actor **Oliver Reed**, who died while filming it. Reed's character buys this film's protagonist after he is taken to North Africa. The protagonist of this film abandons an attempt to kill its villain shortly after re-enacting the Battle of Zama. His life is then spared after that villain, Commodus, gives him a "thumbs up." For 10 points, name this film in which Russell Crowe plays Maximus, a former Roman general who becomes the film's title fighter.

ANSWER: Gladiator

7. This celebrity broke up with **Bridget Moynahan** in 2006 without knowing she was pregnant. This man claimed that he destroys his cell phone every eight months during a scandal that also implicated **John Jastremski**. The **Montreal Expos** drafted this man to play baseball, though he opted to play another sport at Michigan. As a professional in that sport, he was alleged to have altered the objects he throws. Supermodel **Gisele Bundchen** is married to, for 10 points, what man who plays quarterback for the New England Patriots?

ANSWER: Tom Brady

8. In two recent TV miniseries based on this book, **Diego Morgado** and **Juan Pablo di Pace** played the same role. The first of those series was criticized for having an evil character that allegedly looked like **President Obama**. *Survivor* creator **Mark Burnett** created both of those adaptations of this book, the most recent of which depicts the stoning death of a historical martyr and ends shortly after **Cornelius** is converted by Peter to a certain religion. For 10 points, name this book depicted in the 2015 miniseries *A.D.*

ANSWER: The Bible [accept things like The New Testament; accept any specific Gospel before 'stoning']

9. The winning song at the 2015 Eurovision Song Contest is titled for this type of person. "You can't make the guilty pay" according to a **Shinedown** song titled for this type of person, which also names a song that begins by asking "Would you dance if I asked you to dance?" by **Enrique Iglesias**. A **Foo Fighters** song describing one of these people tells the listener to "watch him as he goes," and another of them "comes along" in a hit by **Mariah Carey**, who has the "strength to carry on." For 10 points, name these people who are courageous.

ANSWER: heroes

10. A minor character in this game can only ask the equivalent of "may I take your order?" and operates a noodle shop. Depending on the chosen gender, the protagonist of this game is either a war veteran or former lawyer. This game begins in the suburban **Sanctuary Hills** area and continues there 200 years later. The protagonist of this game, who is searching for his son **Shaun**, can be accompanied by **Dogmeat** and is the sole survivor of **Vault 111**. For 10 points, name this 2015 video game set in post-apocalyptic Boston.

ANSWER: Fallout 4

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11. According to a theory by Ethan Zuckerman, "Web 2.0" was created for the purpose of sharing these things. An early example of these things on the internet was a hoax that depicted their subjects in small jars. In response to a request for social media silence during a 2015 police operation, the hashtag #BrusselsLockdown was inundated with these things. Other images of this type may depict one who "should buy a boat" or a creature named Lil Bub. For 10 points, name these types of images often seen on I Can Haz Cheezburger.

ANSWER: pictures of cats [accept cat memes; prompt on 'lolcats']

12. Historians credit Dickey Pearce with inventing this sports technique in the 1870s; he used the word 'tricky' to describe it. Both of the films *Mr. 3000* and *Major League* end with a batter taking this action to score a runner from second base. Unlike on fly balls, any form of runner advancement caused by this action counts as a sacrifice. Fouling off a ball with two strikes is only a third strike out if the batter does this, which is also done in a squeeze play. For 10 points, name this method of hitting a baseball without a full swing of the bat.

ANSWER: bunting [accept answers like sacrifice bunt as long as bunting is mentioned]

13. The company who made this object briefly considered naming it the Gordian Knot. Lucas Etter holds a world record related to one of these objects in which he held it for 4.9 seconds. David Singmaster and Lars Petrus developed methods for manipulating this object, which can be arranged in over 43 quintillion ways. This object has 26 movable pieces and was invented by a sculptor named Erno. For 10 points, name this Hungarian polyhedron solved by getting a different color on each of its sides.

ANSWER: Rubik's cube

14. The first instance of this action in a film was done by an Octopus in 1955's *It Came From Beneath the Sea*. A battle between the giant Insectosaurus and an evil robot results in this act occurring in *Monsters vs. Aliens*, during which several other monsters work to save bystanders. This action is also done by a large wave in *San Andreas*, as well as by Magneto near the end of *X-Men: The Last Stand*, who does it to allow other mutants to reach Alcatraz. For 10 points, name this action frequently depicted in action films set in San Francisco.

ANSWER: destroying the Golden Gate Bridge [or reasonably similar answers]

15. This rapper added the track "My" to a "3D" version of his debut album. He named his son with Ciara after his current stage name, which could be because his real name is Nayvadius Wilburn. This rapper of "There Was a Drought" and "Blow a Bag" evoked Prince on his 2016 mixtape *Purple Reign*, and was the American half of the collaborative album *What A Time To Be Alive*. For 10 points, name this rapper who also worked with Drake on "Where Ya At," whose name suggests his superiority to past rappers.

ANSWER: Future [accept Nayvadius Wilburn] before mention

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16. In one appearance, this character is pitted against Geoffrey Shafer and three others playing the fantasy game "Four Horsemen." Jimmy Hats Galati, who killed this man's wife, was himself killed by this man's best friend John Sampson. Other rivals of this former employee of the Washington, DC police include the "Mastermind" Kyle Craig, who is imprisoned in the novel *Violets are Blue* but helps him in *Kiss the Girls*. The novel *Along Came a Spider* features, for 10 points, what African-American detective created by James Patterson?

ANSWER: Alex Cross [accept either]

17. In a 2013 episode of the British quiz show *QI*, this man inadvertently "seduced" Stephen Fry by demonstrating click-singing. In his first appearance in his current role, this star of the standup comedy special *Lost In Translation* noted that his viewers had "a new stepdad, and he's black." In a later segment, he likened the leadership of Jacob Zuma and Idi Amin to a hypothetical presidency. The traditional "moment of Zen" was preserved by, for 10 points, what South African who succeeded Jon Stewart as the host of *The Daily Show*?

ANSWER: Trevor Noah

18. This player led Team Irvin in rushing during the 2015 Pro Bowl. In college, this player scored a school freshman record 12 touchdowns despite being the backup to Glen Coffee. He was drafted at the same pick number - 28 - as his father, who notably skipped bail to watch this man play. CJ Spiller backs up this player, who was the first running back since Reggie Bush to win the Heisman Trophy, marking the first Heisman win for an Alabama player. For 10 points, name this starting running back for the New Orleans Saints.

ANSWER: Mark Ingram, Jr.

19. Charles Barkley was arrested in 1997 for doing this to a man who threw ice at him. This fate is suffered by a man who interrupts Kuzco's dance routine in *The Emperor's New Groove* as well as the graphic novel character The Comedian. *Die Hard* villain Hans Gruber also dies in this manner, which occurred near the top of the Nakatomi Plaza building. Mace Windu died in *Revenge of the Sith* by way of, for 10 points, what action that also precipitated the Thirty Years' War when it occurred in Prague?

ANSWER: defenestration [accept equivalents such as 'being thrown out a window'; prompt on 'falling' or other vague answers]

20. At 2015's South by Southwest festival, this film was promoted by giving one of its characters a fake Tinder account. After another character is confronted about tearing up a picture in this film, he responds by stating he will "tear up the dance floor" before dancing with the maid Kyoko. Set in Nathan Bateman's secluded mansion, this film centers on Caleb, a computer programmer who is tasked with conversing with Ava, who fears she will be erased. For 10 points, name this 2015 film about an android subjected to the Turing test.

ANSWER: Ex Machina ["ex" MOCK-in-uh]