



GOLBEZ : A Video Games Tournament

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PACKET 3 – Spicy Pepper

1. If any of these things are left over at the end of a level, they will transform into pink piles of poop, provided the player entered the name “S-T-R” on the high score screen and subsequently picked up a Pink Flamingo item. Picking up a Red Ring increases the score for creating one of these things to 100 points each, while eating Blue Candy will make them travel faster horizontally. A variety of these things can release a torrent of water that kills enemies and turns them into diamonds. An extra life can be earned by collecting the letters in the word (*) EXTEND from these things, another variety of which release lightning bolts that must be used to defeat Super Drunk. Holding the jump button allows players to bounce on and ride these things. Leaving a Coily, Beluga, or other enemy trapped in one of these too long will result in it breaking free and becoming super-fast. For 10 points, name these things blown and popped by Bub and Bob.

ANSWER: bubbles [in *Bubble Bobble*]

2. This mode of transportation is central to a 2005 XPEC game in which the player visits the Sleepy Pony amusement park to save Mimmy and Purin from the minions of King Block. ** A protege of Peter Stillman who uses this mode of transport plants devices that can be found with a sensor designed to detect his cologne. Adam Hunter’s younger brother Eddie, who first appeared in *Streets of Rage 2* and who sorta-kinda “guest-starred” as Hoopz in *Barkley: Shut Up and Jam Gaiden*, is nicknamed for using these devices that (*) Fatman uses to get around during his boss fight in *Metal Gear Solid 2*. These things are used by the inhabitants of the Lost Hotel in *Pokemon X and Y*, in which a set of them are first given to the player by Korrina, the Shalour City gym leader. The GGs travel around covering Tokyo in graffiti using, for 10 points, what mode of transport central to *Jet Set Radio Future*?

ANSWER: roller skates (accept rollerblades or inline skates; do not accept or prompt on “skateboard(ing)” or anything along those lines)

[If someone buzzes with the right answer before **, publicly congratulate them on their impressively-deep knowledge of *Hello Kitty Roller Rescue*.]

3. The player takes on the role of someone with this job in the 2019 indie game *Eastshade*. A character with this profession in *Chrono Cross* is the only party member besides Mel to use boomerangs as weapons, and learns the “PiggyBoink” level 7 tech. A fictional one of these people named Osterzone is revealed to actually be Dunning Smith in *Hotel Dusk: Room 215*. A character in school for this profession is revealed to be a “shifter” daughter of the White Dragon after she accidentally warps herself from Stark to Arcadia. This profession, of which (*) April Ryan is a student in *The Longest Journey*, is the day job of Fei at the beginning of *Xenogears*. A travelling character of this profession named Pikanango can help Link track down the locations of photos taken by Zelda with the Sheikah Slate in *Breath of the Wild*. For 10 points, name this profession practiced in *Chrono Cross* by Van and his father Gogh.

ANSWER: painters or artists (accept any answer clearly indicating painting or visual art; prompt on “sculptor” after “shifter” and before “Fei,” but at no other time)

4. A super-weird, 80,000 yen Japan-only version of this console included an integrated digital video recorder and DVD burner. This console's official Linux kit was based on Red Hat 6. The homebrew launcher Free McBoot allowed games to be loaded directly from this console's optional 40 gig hard drive, which was not compatible with this console's model 70000. Faulty "Disc Read Error" messages prompted a class action lawsuit against this console, whose boot-up screen changes based on the number of different detected saved games, and their play time. It's not an Xbox, but putting an (*) Xbox disc into this console brings up the Xbox logo, which subsequently explodes. This console's hardware was based around a Graphics Synthesizer and a chip co-developed with Toshiba, the Emotion Engine, which were combined into a single chip in a "slim" version of this console released in 2006. For 10 points, name this best-selling console in history.

ANSWER: PlayStation 2 or PS2

5. In *Elite Beat Agents*, the title group performs the song "I Was Born to Love You" to help this man. In another game, this man leaves a mark in the shape of a hand at locations where he later meets the protagonist. A group named for this man in *Rise of Nations: Rise of Legends* can use the national power "Industrial Devastation" and are headed by Giacomo. Crazy Redd charges 3,920 bells for one of this man's "famous" creations in *Animal Crossing*. After this man is kidnapped by the (*) Hermeticists, one of his friends locates the Temple of Pythagoras by uncovering clues in this man's works. This man, who compares trying to explain why the Earth orbits the sun to trying to explain a Piece of Eden, translates pages from the Codex of Altair in a game in which he modifies the Hidden Blade for Ezio Auditore. For 10 points, name this real-life figure who in *Assassin's Creed II* builds a flying machine.

ANSWER: Leonardo da Vinci (accept either underlined name)

[Crazy Redd charges 3,920 for the *Mona Lisa*.]

6. Description acceptable. A parody *Hard Times* article about this action reported that Michael Cohen claimed "I cannot stand idly by while our Head of State commits these atrocities" while accusing Donald Trump of ordering it. In a Painbot edit of *The Cleveland Show* about this action, Cleveland is overlaid with the logo of *Under Night In-Birth Exe* as he ruthlessly blocks and dunks on kids trying to play basketball. Mr. Wizard's February 2019 announcement of this action was paired with a "thank you" video that ended with commentator (*) Toph's quote "It's been an honor, it's been a pleasure, to share this with all of you." Armada tweeted it "feels weird" after the announcement of this action, which came six years after a fan drive raised over \$90,000 for breast cancer research to get a game a spot over *Skullgirls*. The rise of *Ultimate* led to, for 10 points, what action of a 2001 Nintendo game being excluded from a 2019 event?

ANSWER: EVO cutting Melee (accept all answers clearly indicating the notion of Super Smash Bros. Melee not being part of the lineup of EVO 2019)

7. A Saturday morning cartoon based on this game had a theme song that asked "What's behind this stunt show?" and was about Daisy, Tess, and Dan Darrett. A hardware setup of two Zilog Z-8002 chips and a single Zilog Z-80 powered this arcade game, whose U.S. title screen noted a length of 2.709 miles. Bally Midway made the dumbass decision to distribute *Mappy* instead of this second-best-known creation of *Pac-Man* designer Toru Iwatani, which became the most-profitable arcade game of 1983. A sequel to this game added (*) "Test," "Seaside," and "Suzuka" options to a course based on the Fuji Speedway, and required players to pass a time trial before competing in a grand prix. An iconic "cockpit" cabinet allowed kids to sit down and use an accelerator and brake pedals, a gear shift, and a steering wheel to play, for 10 points, what Namco-created, Atari-published racing game named for a race's lead starting spot?

ANSWER: Pole Position

8. One of these things functions as a health meter in the godawful *Jurassic Park: Trespasser*. Dosan gives the player mystical powers via these things, which slowly drive the player insane, in a game that begins with the forces of Karajan launching an assault on the Hisomu clan. The farting figure skater Karla and the gratuitously-stereotypical Native American Billy Two-Moons were among the hosts to whom Mullah Abba gave these things, according to the bullshit lore of a never-released Data East game that had (*) 2,196 fatalities. Utabori creates these things in *Yakuza*, in which he notes that “a faded dragon cannot defeat Nishikiyama now” before touching up one belonging to Kazuma Kiryu. The protagonist of *Mark of the Ninja* takes his powers from these things. For 10 points, name this type of body modification used to create the barcode on the back of Agent 47’s head in *Hitman*.

ANSWER: tattoos (accept Tattoo Assassins)

9. While in college, one of these characters declared a jar of marinara sauce to be “basically a smoothie” before chugging it. Another of these people asks for the player’s help in naming his new “Banana Bread Kennedys.” The player can engage in a parody Pokemon battle against one of these people in which they can choose to “Brag” or use an item such as a Grade Card or Spelling Bee Photo. Craig, Mat, and Brian are three of these people, another of whom was revealed in a cut secret ending to be not only a youth minister, but also a (*) cult leader and serial killer. The player, who can get an achievement branding them a “Bad” one of these people if they sleep with Robert on the first night, has a pinnacle moment as one after Amanda tells them “I’m hungry” and the player gives a response beginning “HI HUNGRY!” For 10 points, name these title people in a 2017 Game Grumps dating sim about a “dream” one.

ANSWER: dads (or daddies; accept Dream Daddy: A Dad Dating Simulator; accept fathers or clear equivalents; prompt on “parent(s)”; prompt on “fitness buffs” or “coffee shop owners” or “dating sim hookups” in case someone is really dumb, recognizes one of the dads from *Dream Daddy*, and subsequently decides the answer simply MUST be something other than “dads”)

10. Building a Memorial in this location allows for the completion of “Vigils,” while “Spirits” such as Lunkhead Liqueur and Squirt Cider can be used after constructing this place’s Distillery. A pipe and a stockpot are among the objects that can be used to access Who Knows Where from this place. A character who is brought back to this place after being found in the Hanging Gardens later breaks the Monument at the center of this place, before leaving to unite the (*) Ura to attack and destroy it. Zulf and Zia are among the survivors who are brought to this place that was designed by Rucks. After waking up in the Rippling Walls and traveling here, the Kid has to collect Cores and Shards to power up and complete this place, which survived the Calamity that destroyed Caelondia. For 10 points, name this title place in the first-ever release by Supergiant Games, whose name is a synonym for “fortress.”

ANSWER: The Bastion

11. Description acceptable. In one sequence from this cutscene, shots of a character clutching at a ring on a chain rapidly alternate with close-ups of another character's face and eye. A flower petal in this cutscene transforms into a feather when a character closes her hand around it, after which that feather flies into a darkening sky and transforms into a weapon that spins down to become stuck in the ground. The commands “arise / discover / come to the (*) Garden of Truth” are sung in this cutscene, which begins with the camera flying from a beach out over the ocean as the words “I’ll be here...” and “Why...?” appear and vanish. A teenager is knocked down by a fire spell and slashed across the face in this cutscene that opens with a choir singing “Fithos Lusec Wecos Vinosec.” The song “Liberi Fatali” accompanies, for 10 points, what cutscene in which “Squaresoft presents” flashes on screen during a duel between Seifer and Squall?

ANSWER: the introduction to Final Fantasy 8 (accept the Liberi Fatali cutscene before “Liberi”; accept any answer that indicates the notion of the opening or beginning or New Game or first cutscene (or clear equivalents) of Final Fantasy 8 or FF8)

12. In *Penny Arcade Adventures Episode 3*, Tycho's Scholar class gains an attack referencing this action at level 4, and later gets an upgraded version whose name adds an extra letter "M." For the original *F-Zero*, this action revealed a comic about how Captain Falcon secured a 500,000 credit reward for hunting down the criminal Scale Head, while in *Baldur's Gate* it revealed Voldo and Elminster's snide commentary on people and places. This action was required to pass the Cliffs of Logic in *King's Quest 6*. Performing this action was literally impossible for *Home Improvement* on the SNES, because according to the game it was something (*) real men don't need to do. Doing this for the original release of *Falcon 4.0* taught you the physics behind why an airplane stalls when it flies too slow, since this action involved a 700-plus-page binder. For 10 points, name this action that often reveals a controller diagram with button mappings.

ANSWER: reading the fucking manual (accept clear equivalents such as reading the instructions or directions; accept RTFM or RTMFEM) <JT+IJ>

13. In 2018 Critbox somehow managed to beat *Super Mario 64* using an official, Japan-only one of these objects for the N64. An "Evolution Pack" version of *A-Train 4* for the PS1 came bundled with both a memory card and one of these objects. A Wii nunchuck and one of these objects are used to control the arcade cabinet release of *Left 4 Dead*. *King Arthur's World* on the Super Nintendo was best played using one of these objects, which was also used to play the strangely-addictive minigame (*) "Gnat Attack." One of these things could be used to play PS3 games if you purchased the third-party peripheral the Frag FX. In 2019 the enormously-popular Proteus Spectrum one of these things was updated with Logitech's new "Hero" sensor for them. The Razer Naga is an MMO-targeted one of these things with 12 buttons on the side. *Mario Paint* came bundled with, for 10 points, what objects that can left- and right-click?

ANSWER: mouse (or mice)

14. In *I Wanna Be the Guy*, this is the only non-living member of the Hall of Former The Guys. After delivering Jehuty, Leo Stenbuck becomes the pilot of a vehicle with this name in *Zone of the Enders: The 2nd Runner*. In Stage 2 of a 2004 game, a duplicate of this craft with the call number T-301 emerges from a space-time anomaly, and asks the player to help destroy a giant battleship's brain from two sides. This vehicle could pair up with the "Lord British" in the 1986 game (*) *Salamander*. This vehicle was alternatively known as the MAX in the American version of an SNES game that features the bosses Bulbous and Bubble Eye, in which it could be kitted out with 2-Way missiles, the Reduce ability, the insanely-overpowered Energy Laser, and up to 4 Options and Speed-Ups. This craft is the last line of defense against Bacterian and various versions of the BIG CORE boss. For 10 points, name this ship from the *Gradius* series.

ANSWER: Vic Viper (prompt on descriptive answers like "the ship from Gradius" before "Gradius")

15. In 2015 Scott Bayless admitted "I have to take responsibility" for the "ghastly phrase" that was this concept, a "nifty trick" found by Marty Franz. A two-page faux editorial advertisement responding to this concept began "Have you ever wondered why balloons came before supersonic jets?" and noted "If you've been taken in by this myth, don't feel bad. You're not alone." An iconic commercial answered the question "So what's" this concept "do?" with the image of a (*) dragster with TVs in the exhaust and side mirrors speeding away. In reality, this concept was coined to refer to the ability of the Yamaha YM7101 chip's DMA unit to send data to the graphics processor at the same time it was drawing a scan line, and was *not* meant to refer to the fact that a console's CPU clock speed was faster than the SNES. For 10 points, name this meaningless type of "processing" supposedly possessed by the Sega Genesis.

ANSWER: blast processing (accept blast by itself after "processing")

16. A race of creatures based on these animals rules over the city of Tarna, and includes the Paladin Rakeesh, in the *Quest for Glory* series. The ruler of the Laguz nation of Gallia, Caineghis, is nicknamed for this type of animal in *Fire Emblem: Radiant Dawn*. In an infamously difficult level in a SNES game, one of these animals must arrange groups of monkeys so that they all fling him in the correct direction. In *Hearthstone*, one of these animals is pictured on the (*) Savannah Highmane card. A Psychic-Steel Pokemon resembling this type of animal uses the signature move Sunsteel Strike, carries the party into Ultra Space, and is the Legendary counterpart of Lunala. Sora turns into one of these animals while in the Pride Lands in *Kingdom Hearts 2*. The Pokemon Solgaleo resembles, for 10 points, what animals that also include the Disney character Simba?

ANSWER: lions

17. Harold Goldberg used this phrase to title his disappointing 2011 book on “how 50 years of video games conquered pop culture.” A Flash video parodying *The \$20,000 Pyramid* involves a semi-successful attempt to get Papa Smurf to say this phrase. This phrase appears on a box of corn flakes, in place of the Hollywood sign, and on the mugshot placards of Bill Gates and O.J. Simpson in a video set to the Laziest Men on Mars’s “Invasion of the Gabber Robots.” This is the best-known line from a (*) cutscene that begins with the statement “In A.D. 2101 war was beginning.” The remark “you are on the way to destruction” follows this phrase, which describes the result of “somebody set[ting] up us the bomb.” For 10 points, give this phrase spoken by CATS in the intro cutscene to *Zero Wing*, proclaiming his control of a bunch of strongholds.

ANSWER: “All your base are belong to us” (accept “All your smurf are belong to smurf”; prompt on “AYB” or partial answers like just “All your base”)

18. This character muses that “all you need to change the world is one good lie and a river of blood” after surviving the destruction of Site Hotel Bravo at the end of the mission “Just Like Old Times.” Billy Murray voiced this character, who lights up a cigar while watching a dead body hang from the destroyed glass ceiling of the Hotel Oasis. Another character tells this man that “this belongs to you” while handing back an (*) M1911, three years after this man was captured during Operation Kingfish. This man shoots Khaled Al-Asad in the head before recounting the time that he and MacMillan used ghillie suits to infiltrate the abandoned city of Pripyat in a failed attempt to assassinate Imran Zakhaev. In his first appearance, he asks the player “What the hell kind of name is Soap?” For 10 points, name this British SAS captain from the *Call of Duty: Modern Warfare* series.

ANSWER: Captain Price (or John Price)

19. A Zero Punctuation review described this man’s “twist” as a dance in which you “walk stiffly ‘round the room for 10 minutes, then reach for the sky and fall flat on your face.” In one shitty game directed by this man, the player meets the David Bowie-voiced Boz after the police officer Kay’I convinces the player to become a “nomad soul” in the world of Omikron. In a 2018 game directed by this man, Jericho is a safe haven for Markus, Kara, and other “deviant” (*) androids. Another of this man’s games spawned the meme “Press X to ‘Jason.’” The spirit Aiden psychically assists Jodie Holmes in a 2013 game that allowed this founder of the studio Quantic Dream to creep on Ellen Page. This man included the trophy “Thank You for Supporting Interactive Drama” in a game in which Ethan Mars’s son is kidnapped by the Origami Killer. For 10 points, name this shitty director of *Detroit: Become Human*, *Beyond: Two Souls*, and *Heavy Rain*.

ANSWER: David Cage (or David De Gruttola)

20. A being that feeds on this substance is described in a prophecy as “born from parasites, nurtured in a poisoned womb,” and is sealed within a structure known as the “Cradle.” The Nova Beam is required to penetrate a crystallized form of this substance. A “sickness” associated with this substance causes one character to vomit it up after defeating Moegenar, and results in the insanity of (*) Ghor, Rundas, and Gandrayda. Leviathan Seeds are launched from a planet composed entirely of this substance to infect other worlds, such as Bryyo, with it. This substance, which split the planet Aether into “dark” and “light” halves, is extracted from mines on the planet Tallon IV, where the Chozo referred to it as the “great poison” and where it was first detected by the Space Pirates. For 10 points, name this radioactive, corruptive, mutagenic blue goo from the *Metroid Prime* series.

ANSWER: Phazon (prompt on “(the great) poison” before “poison”)

21. —**FINAL BOSS QUESTION**— (50 points in superpower, 30 points in power, 20 points after)

An SNES game named for this type of place features a boss whose second phase teleports follow the pattern 9-3-9-7-7-9-9-3 while she spews circular patterns of fireballs, and features another boss that speedrunner PJ di Ceasare nicknamed “Turdlecano” for resembling a pile of poop. Another SNES game partly titled for this type of location was the first solo project with Squaresoft for composer Noriko Matsueda, and includes the minor villains (+) Persona and Radia. In an action RPG named for this type of geographic feature, the player must retrieve some Mint from Siegfried Castle in the not-at-all-copyright-infringing Hobbit Valley to help the people of Poper, and is hampered by the wizards Battler and Ella, the minions of Zerah, who wishes to revive the generically-named “Evil Spirit.” In a tactical RPG named for this type of geographic feature, Sauzer--the ruler of the Granbelos empire--dies after confessing to Yoyo and Byuu that he made a demonic pact that allowed him to commune with (*) dragons. An infamously-bad SNES game named for this type of location begins when Nasir is tasked with investigating why Lakeland’s water has become muddy. For 20 points, name this type of aquatic feature that, in the title of a much better game, follows “Bahamut.”

ANSWER: Lagoon (accept Bahamut Lagoon)