

Let's Forget About Guys

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Packet 1

1. A chant used in this sport goes “So strong was it shot, but PK are my hands! I am PK! I am PK!”, where PK refers to both the stickiness of a brand of chewing gum and a term for a male prostitute. This sport descends from a sport introduced in 1903 by the Methodist Reverend M. K. Gilmour. A team in this sport called The Aeroplane had a mascot who imitated a white tourist with binoculars and used entrance and exit dances inspired by World War II Allied soldiers. The Kabisawali movement organized a game of this sport for a documentary subtitled *An Ingenious Response to Colonialism*. In this sport, teams may contain over 50 players and a six is awarded for hitting the ball above the highest coconut tree. This sport is used as a vehicle to gift prestige foods like yams and betel nuts and is thus an example of *kayasa*, a type of ritualized competitive activity described in *Coral Gardens and Their Magic*. For the point, name this descendant of a British bat-and-ball sport played in an archipelago that was studied by Malinowski.

ANSWER: **Trobriand cricket** [accept any answer that includes **cricket** and the **Trobriand** Islands; prompt on **cricket**]

Note to players: Description acceptable.

2. James Brunot rejected several offers to create an official text of this kind, saying in an interview with *Life* magazine that “It’s only a game ... it’s something you’re supposed to enjoy”. In the 1990s, the National Council of Jewish Women headed a campaign that eventually led the creation of separate texts of this kind for casual and tournament play. Another major schism among these texts exists between the TWL and the CSW, which is about 45% longer. American and British texts of this kind were combined to form one of these texts known as SOWPODS for the first world championship of one game. A so-called “poo list” that was excluded from one of these texts for ESPN broadcasts ironically included the term “redskin”. Nigel Richards has won several tournaments after memorizing a French one of these texts despite not speaking French. In July 2020, Hasbro announced that all slurs will be removed from the official North American text of this type. For the point, beginning players often start by memorizing the two-letter entries in what type of text, which dictates the valid plays one may make with their seven tiles in a popular board game?

ANSWER: **Scrabble word** lists [or **Scrabble dictionaries**; or **Scrabble lexicons**; prompt on **Scrabble rules**; prompt on answers like **dictionaries** that don’t mention Scrabble]

3. A 2018 Bloomberg article recounts how a man traveled to southwest England to copy years of weather data about this city into his notebook, only to find that the data was useless. The final leg of the Global Sprint Challenge is one of the four International Races in this city, where over 600 people died in a 1918 racecourse fire. Special Snowball Draws offer increased prizes for a lottery in this city called Mark Six. Bill Benter left unclaimed a Triple Trio winning ticket worth 15 million dollars because he had already made almost a billion dollars in this city using a sophisticated multinomial logit model. This city has the largest turnover in the world on horse race gambling, which once generated over 10 percent of its tax revenue. Racecourses called Happy Valley and Sha Tin are located in this city’s namesake island and its New Territories respectively. For the point, name this city which maintains a national soccer team despite its 1997 handover from the UK to China.

ANSWER: **Hong Kong** [or **Hēunggóng**; or **Xiānggǎng**]

Note to players: Just the general type of the object is required.

4. crossingbroad.com compiled videos suggesting that Steve Miller picked up this object; that theory was proven by a series of photos unearthed from the Chicago Tribune archive. Renewed interest following an Outside the Lines article by Wayne Drehs titled “Where is” this object led one league to briefly suspend the aforementioned official from the playoffs. After the CEO of Harry Caray’s (“carries”) Restaurants offered \$50,000 for this object to add to a collection including Sammy Sosa’s corked bat, the FBI created a wanted poster describing this object as last seen on June 9, 2010. This object was central to ending a 49-year drought and seemed to disappear, causing a somewhat anticlimactic ending to overtime of Game 6. Instant replay showed that this object passed underneath Michael Leighton before getting stuck in the side netting. For the point, name this object that Blackhawks forward Patrick Kane shot to score the winning goal of the Stanley Cup Finals.

ANSWER: hockey **puck**

5. A 1994 study by Burnham et al. found that this practice drastically increased norepinephrine levels and improved performance on a simulated 7.5 kilometer race by nearly 10 percent. According to a 2013 review, the majority of athletes who had been tested for this practice were in the T52 classification and none had been caught. The IPC disqualifies athletes using this practice if they record two consecutive tests with a systolic blood pressure of at least 180. This practice occurs when an athlete with a lesion at or above the T6 level intentionally induces autonomic dysreflexia. Although this practice may take many forms like breaking a toe or overfilling one’s bladder, popular media like The Young Turks typically characterize it as scrotum squeezing. For the point, name this practice in which athletes with spinal cord injuries hurt themselves, with a generic name referring to how it enhances performance.

ANSWER: **boosting** [accept **autonomic dysreflexia** or **AD** before mentioned; prompt on self-harm and synonyms, prompt on specific self-harm actions like scrotum squeezing]

6. In a film named for this kind of object, Bill Henry asks the main character to “kick [a Canadian team’s] ass so hard that their ass goes up their own ass”. A sporting event nicknamed for one of these objects delayed a BBC2 broadcast of *Bleak House* by over two hours and saw the two-time defending champion give up an 8-0 lead. Ten years after being caught wiping, Bobby Dukes returns to the Hudson Valley Paintball Classic in a film named for this kind of object. The UK record for post-midnight TV audience is held by a 1985 final at the Crucible between Dennis Taylor and Steve Davis that was decided by one of these objects. A beach warning flag that prohibits surfing but allows swimming shows one of these objects on a yellow background. Dropping one of these objects signifies “no” in a traditional type of secret ballot, while potting one of these objects scores seven points in snooker. For the point, name this term which is roughly synonymous with “ostracize” and also describes the 8 ball in pool.

ANSWER: **blackball** [or **black ball**; accept word forms; accept *Blackballed: The Bobby Dukes Story*; accept **black ball** final; accept **black circle**; prompt on **black**, **ball**, or **circle**]

7. An International Committee for this game was formed in 2005 partly to determine the legality of the Elmar Technique. Clones of this game known as X, Vienna, and Arbiter that automatically save game videos are the only versions allowed for official speedruns. Kamil Muranski once held all ten major world records in this game; those records are classified according to whether they require a playing style called NF which disallows chording and whether they count raw time or a measure of clicking efficiency called 3bv per second. The world ranking for this game uses a sum of three personal bests, and times of 1 second, 10 seconds, and 40 seconds would put you in the top 40. The discovery of the notoriously easy Dreamboard forced competitive players to move away from the Windows version of this game. For the point, right-clicking places a flag in what computer game, in which the player tries to locate all the bombs in a grid?

ANSWER: **Minesweeper** [or *Microsoft Minesweeper*]

Note to players: There are multiple acceptable answers.

8. According to legend, a player called a timeout during one of these competitions so he could ingest a concoction of Alka-Seltzer prepared by a trainer named Jew-Baby Floyd. In 1942, one game in this competition was nullified after the winning team boosted their roster with last-minute signings like Buster Clarkson from the Philadelphia Stars. Hall-of-famer Bullet Rogan missed the 1925 iteration of this competition after his infant son stabbed him in the knee with a needle. Buck O'Neil claims that one player said "I'm not gonna throw any smoke at your yoke, I'm gonna throw a pea at your knee!" during one of these competitions. The first incarnation of this competition pitted the east-coast ECL against the midwestern NNL, which was led by Rube Foster. Satchel Paige pitched in two of these competitions for the Kansas City Monarchs, and a 17-year-old Willie Mays played in the last of these competitions in 1948 before joining the MLB. For the point, name this postseason competition that determined the best Black baseball team in the country.

ANSWER: **Negro World Series** [a correct answer needs to have two parts:

- 1) **Negro League**, **Colored**, **Black**, or **African-American**
- 2) **World Series** or **championship**; prompt on baseball game, series, postseason, or playoffs]

9. In 2018, Australia minted its first coin with Braille when it hosted a competition named for this word. In a promotional video for that competition named for this word, Barack Obama says "careful what you wish for", to which Queen Elizabeth replies "oh really, please". The logo for that competition named for this word features the words "I AM" highlighted in yellow. In a film with this name, chants of "Viva proteas viva" ring out after a unanimous vote to change the emblem and nickname of a team. Inspired by the Warrior Games, Prince Harry founded a competition named for this word for wounded veterans. The book *Playing the Enemy* was the basis for a film of this name in which Francois Pienaar makes an inspirational visit to cell 46664. A Chinese esports team of this name won the *League of Legends* World Championship in 2018. An amputee wrote a poem of this name that ends "I am the master of my fate: I am the captain of my soul". A film of this name climaxes with an extra time drop goal and shows a Morgan Freeman-played Nelson Mandela unifying South Africa behind its World Cup-winning rugby team. For the point, give this name of a poem by William Ernest Henley, a Latin word meaning "unconquered".

ANSWER: **Invictus** [or **Invictus** Games; or **Invictus** Gaming]

10. This country sent only female athletes to both the 2012 and 2016 Olympics. Players throw darts at a small wooden post from around 20 meters away in this country's sport of *khuru*. Participants in this country's national sport spit verses called *kha shed* and get drunk on a beverage called *ara*. This country's first FIFA-sanctioned victory occurred on the same day as the 2002 World Cup final. In that game, this country defeated Montserrat in a meeting of the two lowest ranked teams. The 1999 Cricket World Cup was the first major sporting event broadcast in this country after it lifted its ban on television. This country's national sport differs from the Olympic variety in that it uses a distance of 145 meters rather than 70 and uses bamboo rather than fiberglass. This country has never competed in the Winter Olympics despite having the highest average elevation of any country. For the point, archery is the national sport of what small Himalayan kingdom?

ANSWER: Kingdom of **Bhutan** [or **Druk Yul**; or **Druk Gyal Khap**]

11. An event in this province was known as the “hell of ‘63”, as only 69 out of 10,000 participants were able to finish due to temperatures of negative 18 degrees Celsius. A variant of draughts (“drafts”) from this province is distinguished from international draughts by allowing orthogonal as well as diagonal captures. A traditional form of three-a-side handball from this province uses a wooden block called a *kaats* to mark where the ball hits the ground. An event in this province was last held in 1997 and may never occur again, as global warming makes it increasingly unlikely that the ice will be six inches thick. A sport from this province descends from a method used by farmers to cross drainage channels. The jerseys and crest of SC Heerenveen are based on this province’s flag, which features red water lilies on white and blue diagonal stripes. This province is home to a sport involving pole vaulting over canals called *fierljeppen* (“FEER-lyep-en”) and a skating tour called the Elfstedentocht (“elf-STAY-den-tokt”) which starts in Leeuwarden (“LAY-var-den”). For the point, name this province in the northern Netherlands whose native language is notably closely related to English.

ANSWER: **Friesland** (“FREEZ-lund”) [or **Erisia**; or **Fryslân**; accept word forms like **Frisian**]

Note to players: Two-word answer required.

12. Former Grand Marshals of this type of event include Joan Rivers and Ed Buck, who is currently charged for killing two men with meth injections. A 2014 documentary profiles Wade Earp on his quest to win his first All Around title at one of these events. A group called The Patriots to Normalize Reno contributed to the downfall of the first event of this type, which was founded by a member of the Imperial Court System. In response to animal rights activists, an organization that hosts these events stated that “slipping a pair of underwear over the hind legs” is not remotely similar to “starvation” or “beating”. The IGRA is the main governing body for these events, which uniquely include camp events like goat dressing in addition to the traditional categories of speed, roping, and rough stock. The documentary *Queens & Cowboys* chronicles a “straight year” on the circuit of these events. For the point, name these events which provide an inclusive environment for LGBT bull riders.

ANSWER: **gay rodeos** [or National Reno **Gay Rodeo**; or International **Gay Rodeo** Association; or World **Gay Rodeo** Finals; prompt on **rodeos**]

13. A paper titled for performing this activity to probabilities considers a character called Magnus doing a random walk on a state space of size S of h plus 1, f plus 1, where S denotes the Stirling number of the second kind. A subset of the affine Weyl group formed by patterns that describe this activity was used to index positroid varieties in a paper co-authored by a former record holder in this activity named Allen Knutson. Claude Shannon formulated the theorem F plus D over V plus D equals B over H to describe this activity. The state of this activity is often denoted with a series of X’s and dashes, with X’s indicating points in the future during which certain actions are bound to happen. A way of notating this activity using a sequence of integers is named for the fact that replacing m , n with n plus 1, m minus 1 in a valid sequence produces a new valid sequence. The siteswap notation for this activity ignores purely positional variations like Mills Mess and only records the relative height of the objects used. Basic patterns for performing this activity with an even and odd number of objects are known as fountains and cascades respectively. For the point, name this activity that may involve alternating throws between two hands to keep three balls in the air.

ANSWER: **juggling** [accept word forms]

14. This was the last of four Olympics in which Lipovan canoeist Ivan Patzaichin won a gold medal and the first of five in which rower Elisabeta Lipă won gold. The women's 3000 meters was first contested at this Olympics and was won by Maricica Puică after the favorite Mary Decker collided with Zola Budd. In a season 6 episode of Seinfeld, Jerry dates a gymnast named Katya who won a silver medal at this Olympics. Ecaterina Szabo ("SAH-boh") won gold in the balance beam, floor, and vault at this Olympics but was controversially edged out by Mary Lou Retton for the all-around title. Retton was coached by Béla Károlyi, who had coached Nadia Comăneci ("koh-muh-NETCH") at the previous two Olympics before defecting to the United States. Romania popped off at this Olympics, earning 20 gold medals which was second only to the host country. For the point, name this Olympics in which Ceaușescu ("chow-SHESS-koo") defied the Soviet-led boycott.
ANSWER: **1984** Summer Olympics [or Games of the **XXIII** Olympiad; prompt on L.A. or Los Angeles Olympics]

Note to players: Two answers required.

15. In a 1962 football game between these two schools, a winless team held the number one ranked team to a 14-14 tie, knocking them out of national championship contention. To fill a slot freed by the cancellation of the 1994 World Series, these two teams played in the first nationally televised Sunday night college football game. Ken Hatfield defeated John Mackovic in that game, in which one of these teams beat the other for the only time in their last 43 matchups. A quip about these two teams was inserted at the last minute after a rhetorical question about flying the Atlantic to a script written by Ted Sorensen. The question of why these former Southwest Conference in-state rivals play each other precedes "We choose to go to the moon" in a famous speech by JFK. One of these schools is the smallest by enrollment in Conference USA while the other is the largest by enrollment in the Big 12. For the point, name these schools from Houston and Austin, whose mascots are the owls and the longhorns.
ANSWER: **Rice** Owls and **Texas** Longhorns [accept **UT** Austin for Texas; prompt on Owls and Longhorns]

Note to players: Just the general type of sport is required.

16. Aimable Ndejuru argues that this sport represents liberation from childhood due to the similarity between its central apparatus and one that women were placed on to prevent miscarriages. Kanyamuhungu was a champion of this sport during the reign of Mwami Musinga. A 1995 report in *The London Times* about modern African sporting talent ironically used a photo of this sport taken in 1907 by the Duke of Mecklenburg's expedition to Central Africa. John Bale's book *Imagined Olympians* analyzes how colonial representations of this sport led Tutsis to be perceived as superior athletes. *Gusimbuka-urukiramende* is the Kinyarwanda name for this sport, which traditionally used two upright reeds with a third reed placed across the top as well as a mound or stone for takeoff. For the point, Javier Sotomayor holds a world record of 2.45 meters in the Olympic version of what sport?
ANSWER: Tutsi **high jump** [accept **gusimbuka** or **urukiramende** before mentioned]

17. In a 1986 video game named for this number, the player must defeat foes like Beer Belly Bill and Limp Wrist Larry to earn the right to challenge Jammy Jim. Paul Trifiletti is best known in the sports world for a blunder involving this number that aired on March 4th, 2020. YouTube videos centering on this number include one in which Russ Bray shouts it in ten languages and one compiling British and Dutch referees shouting this number, often using a sing-song cadence. A tweet containing this number shows its subject running past the basket and committing a turnover while playing for Montverde Academy, soon after immigrating from Cameroon. Under standard rules, this is the maximum possible score achievable on one visit to the dartboard. A comically incorrect Jeopardy answer led Joel Embiid to embrace a nickname that includes this number. This is the smallest number that names a skateboarding trick with frontside and backside variants. For the point, give the score achieved by throwing three triple-20s or the number of degrees turned in a U-turn.
ANSWER: **180** [or **180** degrees; or "do a **180**"]

18. A 64-verse poem from this country details a 21-move chess game between Mars and Venus, with commentary by Mercury. A book from this country discusses a four-player variant called chess of the four seasons and a dice game called astronomical chess. The first recorded chess game using modern movement rules of the queen and bishop is found in a 15th century poem from this country called “Chess of Love”. A 12th century *Book of Games* from this country presents chess and dice games as opposites, with games like backgammon involving both luck and skill in the middle. A fundamental rook and pawn versus rook endgame that can be won by “building a bridge” is inaccurately named for a theoretician from this country. The opening e4, e5, Knight f3, Knight c6, Bishop b5 is named for a priest from this country. For the point, name this home country of Ruy López de Segura, where the *Libro de los juegos* was commissioned by Alfonso X of Castile.

ANSWER: **Spain** [or *España*]

19. Ski jumper Matti Nykänen (“NOO-kuh-nen”) was imprisoned for aggravated assault after losing to a family friend in this activity. The current Prime Minister of Greenland, Kim Kielsen, is missing a body part due to an injury sustained in this activity, which is one of the traditional sports contested at the Arctic Winter Games. This activity was traditionally used to settle disputes in Bavaria, and its modern competitive form sees two *Hakler* or hookers seated across a table and connected by a small leather strap. In a Cyanide and Happiness short, Chris performs the opposite of this action, causing the entire office to be sucked up Chuck’s anus. Air-O-Matic, the maker of an app titled for this action, threatened to sue InfoMedia for using a phrase describing this action to promote their app iFart Mobile. For the point, name this action, the subject of a practical joke in which performing this action seemingly causes the recipient to fart.

ANSWER: **finger pulling** [or **pull** my **finger**; or **finger wrestling**, or **finger fighting**; or *Fingerhakeln*; or *sormikoukku*; accept synonyms for “pull”]

20. An executive of this team uses the Twitter handle @DJ_Churches and stumbled over the English word “infrastructure” in a speech given while campaigning for governor on the PRL ticket. This team was relegated to the Liga de Ascenso after losing a rigged game in which Tony Álvarez was yellow-carded for diving. This team, which is nicknamed the Black Plague, defeated the Mariposas to win the “Duel of the Birds” tournament in Nicaragua while led by Argentine coach Fede Barrera. This team’s vice president Felix Domingo tried to rescue the “8 Year Plan” by making a deal with Eliseo Canales, but that deal was ruined when this team acquired the controversial Spanish player Aitor Cardoné. For the point, name this fictional soccer team based in Nuevo Toledo, Mexico, that siblings Chava and Isabel Iglesias fight for control over in a Spanish-language Netflix original.

ANSWER: **Cuervos** F.C. [or Club de **Cuervos**; or Club of **Crows**] <JS>