

USHB Finals

Regulation Tossups

(1) **In this city, Luke Short and Calk Beeson owned the Long Branch Saloon, which was protected from government interference by a collection of Western legends captured in an iconic photograph of the "Peace Commission." This town flourished after the penultimate (+) western move of the tick quarantine line took business away from Abilene. The onetime "queen of (*) cow towns" was, For the points, what settlement in Southwestern Kansas that was emblematic of the first phase of Old West frontier life?**

ANSWER: **Dodge City**

(2) **A 1998 book by this man posits uniting scientific and humanistic knowledge under the label "consilience." This man claimed to be "the only scientist in modern times to be physically attacked for an idea" after he was assaulted with a pitcher of water by (+) Marxists at a 1978 conference. A 1975 book by this scientist generalized his research on ants with Bert Hölldobler to suggest that much human behavior is genetically determined. (*) For the points, name this popularizer of the concept of socio-biology.**

ANSWER: E.O. **Wilson** (or Edward Osborne **Wilson**)

(3) **This artist depicted a man wearing formal clothing with his arms crossed while gliding across ice in a portrait of William Grant titled *The Skater*. This artist made a life-sized painting as a gift for the Earl of Shelburne, depicting a man dressed mostly in (*) black extending his right arm and known as the *Lansdowne Portrait*. (*) The *Athenaeum* [[ath-eh-NAY-um]] Portrait of George Washington was created by, For the points, what prolific early American painter?**

ANSWER: Gilbert (Charles) **Stuart**

(4) **Fallout from this opera's debut performance included the cutting of a scene depicting the Rumor family and librettist Alice Goodman ultimately retiring from music and becoming an Anglican priest. This opera's title character sings the "Aria of the Falling Body" after being (+) killed offstage by Molqi. The prologue to this opera consists of the "Chorus of Exiled Palestinians" (*) and the "Chorus of Exiled Jews." For the points, name this 1991 opera composed by John Adams about the 1985 *Achille Lauro* [[ah-KEEL-eh LOH-roh]] hijacking.**

ANSWER: *The* **Death of Klinghoffer**

(5) **A history of this city, which largely focuses on political corruption, calls it the "improbable city of political wizards" and discusses the long mayoral tenure of Erastus Corning. A man who became a hobo after accidentally killing his son in this city, Francis Phelan, is the (*) protagonist of the third volume of a trilogy set here. Novels such as Roscoe and Ironweed by William (*) Kennedy are set in this city. For the points, name this city where a namesake "Regency," including Martin van Buren, ran the state government of New York.**

ANSWER: **Albany** (accept **Albany** Regency; accept *O **Albany!**: Improbable City of Political Wizards, Fearless Ethnic, Spectacular, Aristocrats, Splendid Nobodies, and Underrated Scoundrels*)

(6) **Anachronisms in this movie include a man expressing his admiration for Great Danes over a century before that breed name was in common use and a man using an Abraham Lincoln five-dollar bill before Lincoln was born. Thomas Sumter and Francis (+) Marion were among the inspirations for the protagonist of this film, whose villain, William Tavington, is based on (*) Banastre Tarleton. For the points, name this movie from the year 2000 in which a South Carolina militiaman, played by Mel Gibson, fights in the Revolutionary War.**

ANSWER: *The **Patriot***

(7) **The first city to hold this status was awarded the "Liberty Bell of the West," after it was captured by George Rogers Clark's "Kentucky Long Knives," and no longer exists today due to the change in course of the Mississippi River. The "Long Nine" were a group of unusually (+) tall legislators who advocated removing this status from another city in 1837. Kaskaskia and Vandalia held this status prior to a bill advocating central placement introduced by State Legislator (*) Abraham Lincoln. For the points, identify this status that, since 1839, has been held by Springfield, where Governor J.B. Pritzker now sits.**

ANSWER: **Capital** of **Illinois**

(8) **A major opponent of this principle denounced it as "a living, creeping lie" in a series of debates. Attempts to reconcile this principle with the decision in Dred Scott resulted in the articulation of the Freeport Doctrine. The Kansas-Nebraska Act (+) institutionalized this doctrine, whose opponents mocked it by replacing the first word of its name with (*) "squatter." For the points, name this doctrine of the antebellum period, and advocated by Stephen Douglas, which put decisions regarding slavery into the hands of each territory's voters.**

ANSWER: Principle of **Popular sovereignty**

(9) **The population of this neighborhood, which is the base of the Yahweh ben Yahweh cult, exploded in the 1930s as a response to crowding in nearby Overtown. Riots in response to the police killing of Arthur McDuffie in 1980 are often named for this neighborhood. (+) This neighborhood was the origin of a "bass" sound named for the city in which this neighborhood is located and popularized by (*) 2 Live Crew. For the points, name this heavily Black area of Northwest Miami.**

ANSWER: **Liberty City** (accept **Model City**)

(10) **The boundary line negotiated in this treaty was largely based on stone markers laid 70 years earlier by surveyors Thomas Valentine and John Collins. Sugar Island and the Northwest Angle were recognized as part of the U.S. by this treaty, which extended the (+) Rush-Bagot [[BAG-ut]] Treaty's demilitarization by pledging permanent peaceful co-existence on the (*) Great Lakes. For the points, name this 1842 agreement that ended the Aroostook [[ah-ROO-stook]] War and settled several issues regarding the U.S.-Canadian border.**

ANSWER: **Webster-Ashburton** Treaty

(11) **Federalist John Mathews demonstrated against these documents by tearing apart and stamping on a copy. After these documents were denounced by the legislature of New Hampshire, they were further defended in the Report of 1800. The "Principles of 98" (+) were advanced in these documents, one of which used the term "interposition" for ideas that soon evolved into the "nullification" doctrine. (*) James Madison wrote at least one of, For the points, what paired 1798 and 1799 legislative declarations against the Alien and Sedition Acts?**

ANSWER: **Virginia and Kentucky Resolutions** (or **Kentucky and Virginia Resolutions**)

(12) **Laws regulating competition between Virginia's program of this kind with a "national" version came before the Supreme Court in the Cohens case. Underground versions of these contests that thrived in the mid-20th century were sometimes known as "bolita" or "policy (+) rackets." In 1980, Nick Perry rigged one of these contests in Pennsylvania by using over-weighted plastic objects. Starting in the 1980s, these contests began consolidating into multi-state (*) enterprises such as Mega Millions and Powerball. For the points, name these state-sponsored gambling contests involving the drawing of random numbers.**

ANSWER: State **Lotteries** (or **Lottery**)

(13) **This speech was popularized in a version that was heavily stylized by Frances Dana Barker Gage. This speech's name was used to title a 1981 book by bell hooks. This speech pauses to ask the audience to supply the word "intellect" and notes, "I have ploughed and (+) planted" and "None but Jesus heard me" before repeating a question. The common title of this speech is a literary embellishment, as its speaker, whose first language was Dutch, (*) did not use Southern colloquialisms. For the points, name this speech repeatedly given by Sojourner Truth.**

ANSWER: "**Ain't I A Woman**"

(14) **Items which were surrendered under this program were required to undergo a procedure involving circulating sodium silicate in order to be rendered permanently unusable. A *New York Times* editorial by Alan Blinder garnered public support for this program, which (+) paid for up to \$4500 in new model purchases based on a sliding scale of fuel efficiency and was responsible for around 240,000 new sales (*) despite a general recession. For the points, name this 2009 program through which the federal government subsidized consumer car upgrades as an economic stimulus.**

ANSWER: **Cash for Clunkers** (or **Car Allowance Rebate System**; prompt on "CARS")

(15) **This Supreme Court case was consolidated with a related issue in the *Branch and Jackson* sexual assault cases. Potter Stewart's opinion in this case compared the issue at hand to "being struck by lightning" due to the seemingly arbitrary nature of imposition. (+) Stewart's opinion in this case also fell short of the Brennan and Marshall opinions, which hinted at finding the entire process under discussion to be unconstitutional as (*) cruel and unusual punishment. For the points, what 1972 Supreme Court decision temporarily outlawed the death penalty in the U.S.?**

ANSWER: **Furman** *v. Georgia* (or William Henry **Furman** *v. State of Georgia*)

(16) **This treaty agreed to submit arbitration of the Pig War to William I, the German emperor. John Macdonald's presence on the negotiating committee for this treaty, led by the Marquess of Ripon [[RIP-un]], made it, in part, the first agreement between the U.S. and the (+) newly confederated Dominion of Canada. This treaty secured fishing rights for American vessels in Canadian waters and led to a 15-million dollar payment in compensation for damage done by (*) Confederate vessels built in the U.K. For the points, name this 1871 treaty that settled the *Alabama* claims.**

ANSWER: Treaty of **Washington**

(17) **A man with this name is remembered by I. Massey Rhind's Indiana Plaza sculpture. That doctor, with the first name Benjamin and this last name, founded the Grand Army of the Republic. The second Ku Klux Klan was severely weakened when an Indiana man with this name was convicted of (+) attacking Madge Oberholtzer. A man of this surname who instituted a spoils system in the Post Office was rewarded by becoming Grover Cleveland's second vice-president. That man's (*) grandson of this name was dubbed an "egghead" during two losing presidential campaigns. For the points, give this last name of two-time 1950s Democratic presidential nominee, Adlai.**

ANSWER: **Stevenson** (accept Benjamin F. **Stephenson**; accept D(avid) C(urtis) "Steve" **Stephenson**; accept Adlai E(wing) **Stevenson**)

(18) **This event was opposed by the song "Up With the Flag!" and by editorials in the Daily Eagle. Andrew Green was the "father" of this action, which was also strongly supported by Senator Thomas Platt. This event took place four years after a series of referenda on which (+) Mount Vernon and Westchester voted "no" and 24 years after the similar creation of the "Annexed District" from most of the (*) Bronx. For the points, identify this 1898 event which added Brooklyn, Queens, and Staten Island to their present city government.**

ANSWER: **Consolidation** of **New York** City (accept answers referring to the creation of the modern borders of **New York** City, or **NYC**, or **Greater New York**; accept answers describing the merger of **New York** and **Brooklyn**)

(19) **A founder of this group explained a non-Trinitarian theology, in which the elevation of Jesus to co-equal with God at a point in historical time triggered Satan's rebellion, in the book Spirit of Prophecy. The Loma Linda "Blue Zone" of heightened life expectancy is due to (+) dietary practices of this group. Two of this group's members, during its time based in Battle Creek, Michigan, ran a sanitarium and founded the (*) Kellogg's cereal company. For the points, name this Christian denomination that emphasizes healthy eating and observes a Saturday Sabbath.**

ANSWER: **Seventh-day Adventists** (or **Seventh-Day Adventist** Church; prompt on "Adventists")

(20) **During this case, Brad Chase admitted to submitting an altered videotape as evidence. Thomas Penfield Jackson's ruling in this case, which ordered a company to break up after allegations of "tie-in" practices, was overturned on appeal. A lengthy deposition conducted by (+) David Boies [[BOYS]] during this case featured several exchanges regarding the definition of the word (*) "browser." For the points, name this antitrust enforcement case which accused a tech company of illegally bundling the Internet Explorer web browser with Windows.**

ANSWER: *U.S. v. **Microsoft*** (or *United States v. **Microsoft** Corp.*; or **Microsoft** antitrust case)

(21) **Horace Porter wrote a formal letter rejecting a \$500,000 bribe to participate in this scheme. This scheme ramped up when broker Daniel Butterfield stopped receiving orders from Treasury Secretary George Boutwell as part of a national debt reduction plan. Access to (+) government officials for this scheme was provided through Abel Corbin, who was married to the president's sister Jennie. An investigation by James Garfield cleared (*) Ulysses Grant of culpability in this plot. For the points, give this calendar-based name for Jay Gould and James Fisk's 1869 attempt to corner the gold market.**

ANSWER: **Black Friday** (prompt on descriptions such as "Gould and Fisk's plan to corner the gold market" until "Gould" is mentioned)

(22) **Attempts to resolve an incident regarding this ship resulted in Caleb Cushing replacing Daniel Sickles as ambassador and negotiating \$80,000 in reparations, following a general agreement engineered by Don José Polo. 53 American and British citizens aboard this ship were (+) executed following its capture during the Ten Years' War, during which it was acting as a mercenary vessel for (*) Cuban rebels. For the points, name this ship at the center of an 1870s diplomatic crisis between the U.S. and Spain.**

ANSWER: **Virginius** (accept **Virginius** Affair)

(23) **Off-duty policemen who identified as the "Vengeance Squad" participated in this event. This conflict took place during ongoing appeals from members of the 38th Street Gang who were convicted in the prior year's Sleepy Lagoon murder. This event targeted (+) "pachucos" [[pah-CHOO-kohss]] who were believed to be flouting wartime regulations on the (*) use of fabric. For the points, name this June 1943 period of unrest in Los Angeles between military members and the largely Mexican-American wearers of oversized clothing.**

ANSWER: **Zoot Suit riots** (accept reasonable synonyms for "riot")

(24) **After hearing that he was to be killed by Mad Dog Coll, this man organized the pre-emptive murder of Salvatore Maranzano to start a September 1931 purge of his enemies known as the Sicilian Vespers. Through his frequent collaborator Meyer Lansky, this man accepted a deal in (+) Operation Underworld that commuted his prison sentence in exchange for his assistance in protecting New York's docks during World War Two, after which he was (*) deported to Italy. For the points, name this gangster who, in 1931, established "The Commission" to oversee organized crime in the U.S.**

ANSWER: Lucky **Luciano** (or Charles **Luciano**; or Salvatore **Lucania**)

(25) **A week after the incident known by this structure's name, the similar "Battle of the Junkyard" took place, and Kenneth Jarecke took a widely disseminated photo of a man who was burned during that incident. The incident known by the name of this structure mostly targeted the (+) Hammurabi division and was performed by Apache helicopters under orders from Barry McCaffrey in February (*) 1991.** For the points, give this name for the road from Kuwait City to the Iraqi border on which retreating Iraqi troops were killed at the end of the First Gulf War.

ANSWER: "**Highway of death**" (accept **Highway 80**)

(26) **Illinois congressman Frank Reid acted as this man's defense counsel and advanced a free speech argument against overbroad use of Article 96 charges. This man was court-martialed after alleging "almost treasonable administration of the national defense" (*) following the deadly crash of the airship Shenandoah in 1925. The namesake of Milwaukee's (*) airport,** For the points, who was this Army general who advocated for increased American air power capacity between the World Wars?

ANSWER: Billy **Mitchell** (or William Lendrum **Mitchell**)

(27) **A 1964 article by David Fischer labels the entire existence of this group a "myth." John Hancock accused men such as Fisher Ames and Timothy Pickering of belonging to a group of this name during a debate over a proposed Massachusetts state constitution in 1778. In (+) 1800, this group may have asked Aaron Burr to aid a plot to have New England secede from the Union. Members of this group were accused of operating "Blue Lights" during the War of 1812 (*) and contributed many attendees to the Hartford Convention.** For the points, what group of hardline Federalists was named for a county in Massachusetts?

ANSWER: **Essex Junto**

(28) **In 1981, members of this ethnic group were involved in a series of physical clashes in Galveston Bay with the KKK during a racial conflict involving shrimp boats. The U.N.-sponsored "Orderly Departure Program" attempted to resettle many people of this ethnicity in the U.S. (+) during the era when refugees from this group were commonly known as "Boat People." Westminster and Garden Grove in California are majors centers of this ethnic group, who were often set up with (*) nail salons by Tippi Hedren.** For the points, name this ethnic group, many of whose members immigrated to the U.S. after the fall of Saigon.

ANSWER: **Vietnamese-Americans** (prompt on "Asian-Americans")

(29) **At age 15, this man was arrested for throwing eggs at British foreign secretary Ernest Bevin during Bevin's visit to New York. Irv Rubin took over an organization founded by this man which was convicted of involvement in several bombings, during the time when this man lived in (+) Israel and founded the banned Kach party. El Sayyid Nosair, a disciple of "blind sheikh" Omar Abdel-Rahman, was convicted of killing this founder of the (*) Jewish Defense League. For the points, name this extremist rabbi who was assassinated in New York in 1990.**

ANSWER: Meir (David HaKohen) **Kahane** [[mah-YEER kah-HAH-neh]]

(30) **Deaths caused by this thing included the proprietor of a camp at Spirit Lake named Harry R. Truman. Robert Landsburg protected his still photography film from pyroclastic flow and David Johnston transmitted the final message "Vancouver, Vancouver, (+) this is it" during an incident involving this site. 57 people were killed in an immense (*) radius of damage around Skamania County, Washington by the March 1980 eruption of, For the points, what deadliest volcano in American history?**

ANSWER: Mount **St. Helens**

(31) **This person became a government emissary to the Mission people under Hiram Price after earlier being moved to activism upon hearing a speech by Standing Bear. A novel advancing this person's views discusses the birth of Eyes of the Sky to the noble Alessandro and the title (*) half-Scottish orphan. This author of *Ramona* divided her major history text into treatments of seven groups including the Cheyenne (*) and Cherokee. For the points, name this activist who wrote about treatment of American Indians in her 1881 book *A Century of Dishonor*.**

ANSWER: Helen Hunt **Jackson** (or **H.H.**; or Helen Maria **Fiske**)

(32) **In 1989, this city began an athletic tournament that awards "Loser Kings" t-shirts and now involves over 6000 teams playing 3-on-3 basketball, known as Hoopfest. Sonora Smart Dodd founded the Father's Day holiday in this city in 1910. In this home of the 1974 World's Fair, the (+) Jesuit Joseph Cataldo founded a university whose basketball team has achieved great success since 1999 under Coach Mark Few. The second-largest (*) city in its state by population, after Seattle, is, For the points, what home to Gonzaga University and center of eastern Washington?**

ANSWER: **Spokane**

(33) **This artist spent three youthful summers in Charlottesville and made a series of watercolor depictions of University of Virginia buildings now displayed there. This painter made several depictions of the "White Place," a formation near Abiquiú [[AB-ik-yoo]]. (+) Some features of the Ghost Ranch and Pueblo myth are reflected in this artist's late-career painting of a turquoise background (*) behind a floating *Ladder to the Moon*.** For the points, name this painter who spent the last 50 years of her life depicting flowers and cow skulls in New Mexico.

ANSWER: Georgia (Totto) **O'Keeffe**

(34) **This historian wrote an essay, critical of Barry Goldwater's supporters, which traced the prominence of "movements of suspicious discontent" back to the Populist Era. This historian, who discussed conspiracy theories in (+) "The Paranoid Style in American Politics," also discussed tension between American ideals of "the democratization of knowledge" and the rise of New Deal-era experts. According to George Will that work made this man "the iconic public intellectual of liberal (*) condescension."** For the points, name this author of *Anti-Intellectualism in American Life*.

ANSWER: Richard **Hofstadter**

(35) **Upon arriving in the U.S. with his beloved greyhound Azor, this man narrowly escaped arrest as a British officer, because he mistakenly wore a red uniform. This man named several officers, including future New York congressman Benjamin Walker, as his unofficial "sons." The third (+) Saturday in September is celebrated in several U.S. metro areas as a day named for this man that honors (*) German-Americans.** For the points, name this Prussian officer who oversaw the training and disciplinary standards of the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War.

ANSWER: Friedrich von **Steuben** (or Friedrich Wilhelm August Heinrich Ferdinand von **Steuben**; or Friedrich Wilhelm Ludolf Gerhard Augustin Louis von **Steuben**; accept Baron von **Steuben**)

Extra Questions

(1) **A brand of this product marketed with the catchphrase "get on the bandwagon" and was known as Babbit's Best. A type of shell game involving "prize" versions of this product provided the nickname of frontier conman Jefferson Smith. In 1895, to compete with the (+) "castile" variety of this product, James Gamble introduced a brand marketed as "99 and 44 (*) hundredths pure."** For the points, name this good marketed by the Ivory and Dove companies.

ANSWER: **Soap** (accept **Soapy** Smith; accept Castile **soap**; accept Ivory **soap**; accept Dove **soap**)

(2) **A building that was constructed to be one of these facilities, but never used as such, today houses a winery in The Dalles, Oregon. The only overseas facility of this type was in Manila and produced items for use at the Culion leper colony until 1941. Dahlonga [[dah-LON-eh-gah]]. (+) Georgia and Carson City, Nevada are home to defunct facilities of this kind, which now operate in four locations. Among those four locations of this type, West Point is considered an auxiliary branch of (*) Philadelphia, and San Francisco only circulates Susan B. Anthony pieces.** For the points, name these facilities that produce U.S. coins.

ANSWER: United States **mints**

(3) **Operation Oak Tree moved over 18,000 soldiers into this state following civil disorder that included the bombing of A.G. Gaston's motel. Fred Shuttlesworth and James Bevel co-led a campaign in this state that was opposed by Bull Connor's firehoses. The bombing of the (+) 16th Street Baptist Church took place in this state, whose governor proclaimed "segregation (*) tomorrow, segregation forever" during the "stand in the schoolhouse door" crisis.** For the points, name this state, governed by George Wallace, where demonstrators on the Edmund Pettus Bridge were beaten during the Selma-to-Montgomery march.

ANSWER: **Alabama**