

ATP Episode 2014

The University tower chimes ring in another episode of ask the professor, the show in which you match wits with university of Detroit mercy professors in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers I'm your host Matt Mio and let me introduce to you our panel for today to my right from the department of English its Professor Heather Hill

Hello one and all

Coffee today

Coffee today cinnamon coffee

Cinnamon coffee

Yes it's a nice Mexican cinnamon coffee

Wow where did you get that

I got it from Professor Manning.

I see, and you are a fan of cinnamon coffee?

Apparently I am, it was very yummy and it is all gone

As of the last 20 minutes

I didn't know whether it was a caffeine thing or a hot liquids to stay warm thing

I think its both

Today its both

I was remarking as I walked over to the building that today would have been a great day to have

Halloween it's a little chilly

Except I was not ready for winter when I woke up this morning I have to say just not ready

The seasons are confused around here for lots of different reasons. Continuing around the table, Professor Stephen Manning is here from Political Science.

Good afternoon Matt

Good afternoon

Professor Jim Tubbs is here from religious studies

Hello

Hello

How was your Halloween, other than been having few trick or treaters

Few

Did you scare the ones that came?

Absolutely

Oh good oh good

Um very cold, very wet, and I found a hole in my shoe that I discovered when I got home, and my foot was soaked. And I realized, hmm that's not going to warm up tomorrow morning

That's the best way to find a hole in your shoe

That's the best way and the unfortunate nature Jim, Let me do this in the least round about way possible, my youngest son deciding on a costume of a relatively well known videogame

character from a game that hasn't yet been released

Which makes him instantly recognizable

Instantly recognizable and thank you for Emmet for explaining this fact to every house that we went to last night, he also said "my moustache is tickling my nose", he was Luigi from the Mario and Luigi Nintendo games and ya it was a long night. His brother's like "pick it up kiddo we have many houses

Trick or treat and let me explain which character I am

There is nothing wrong with having to explain your costume within reason

Can there be a nametag that says hello my name is Mario

Exactly, that would have been worthwhile. Did you see any good costumes Jim?

No actually I went to a dinner party last night. I live in a condo complex and they just don't show up

I remember you saying that

There was some chatter on the electronic bulletin board for the condo complex people trying to make sure that next year, because there are kids that live in the complex they just go someplace else, to make sure that next year we figure out a way of for people to let the kids know that they are welcome to come trick or treat

You'll have a little more leeway after the leap year next year it will be on a Saturday so it will be a little more comfortable in terms of the old school night action

Yes exactly

I think the best way you could let them know is to sit out there in a van wearing a trench coat and ask the little kids if they want some candy

Oh yeah their parents will love that too

Allright okay moving on

Professor Jason roche is here from the department of creepiness how is it going

Pretty good sometimes I make myself laugh

I think there were pictures being circulated what were your sons

They were both lions in the king of the jungle sense not the Detroit football sense

The easiest cheapest costume isn't it

I don't know the big joke with the kids students my sons age he's a sophomore in high school is
you get a white tee shirt and black sharpies and you just write a noun on it and that's your
costume so just like horse and you just go and I am like I give you points for originality

That's minimalism

What if you wrote like professor on it?

That's even worse I don't know if I could handle that super cute, super cute

They got a lot of candy

Wow look at all that candy

That's a lot for me to eat later because they get one piece a day and I don't have a limit

He's going to be 18 by the time he finishes all that. good Lord

So cute so cute

Professor Dave Chow did not give out any treats last night

I am sorry. I was too busy working

Well some of us have to work you know that's the way it goes

Well I was venting about my work 17 drawings 18 changes

That's all

By tomorrow

For pete's sake, why are you here

Loyal dedicated

He's dedicated

I couldn't get Roy Finkenbine here to fill in for me.

Were always happy to have you whenever you can come on

Plus you said for Pete's sake and Pete couldn't be here

Folks this a program where you can send us questions regarding anything if you stump the panel you win a prize and if you don't stump the panel you win a prize you can send us your questions in a number of ways you can email us at atp@udmercy.edu you can reach us on the web at udmercy.edu/atp find us on facebook or listen to your favorite smartspeaker and ask it for ask the professor at university of Detroit Mercy. Thanks to Professor Mara Livezey, we have got some more student submitted questions they come in these little bit sized sets here these were sent by student Julia Acossta the theme is Disney although it is not Disney as we know Disney films and Disneyanna it's actually about Disney World these are actually pretty interesting things that we can sort of guess at and chew on and have fun how many square miles does walt Disney world in Orlando florida or just north of Orlando Florida cover

13

Higher its higher

This must include all of the different kingdoms

All together

All the Disney owned property

60

Its not 60 60 is a little high

45

47

Its not 45 or 47 the answer is 39 square miles

If Kendra was here

I am giving it to you

If Kendra were here

Oh my gosh I can't believe it

Aye, she were here a few weeks ago

Well Disney World is considered one of the most photographed places in the world how many photographs on average are estimated or taken in one day

Oh good grief

Well there has got to be one every couple of seconds right

500,000

Its actually less than that

325,000

Its less than that

201,000

Its less than that

153,904

That's it

People need to take more pictures

Does it include pictures they take with their phones and things like that

It says here 100,000 photos

Its just an estimate

I think that's low

We're quibbling with a question and the answer

We have to go with an asterisk

Crack team

How about this one walking all the parks of course is tiring luckily there are plenty of coca-colas you can buy at pretty much any food vendor how many cokes are consumed every year on the premises of Walt Disney world

A year

Year

Too many

Correct partial credit

Where is Jeff or Dan when we need them

You are going to have to estimate this

I would say 5 and a half million

Its more

Holy Toledo

You will need to go one more order of magnitude higher

100 billion

That's a little high

57 million

Its more

1 billion

Its not a billion thank God

1 million coca-colas

No

One more shot

800 million

Its 75 million cokes yeah that's a lot

Can we get one more shot with that matt

Does that include diet and coke zero

Its like a river of coke

That's a lot

Its unclear

I thought you were going to make a joke about clear coke aka sprite or whatever

Yeah yeah

There were pictures on reddit this morning where this guy had the classic bowl in front of his house that said take one I am not even going to bother with the trick or treaters but it was sandwich bags full of sprite

That's nasty

I thought that was really funny

But the bowl was like really purposeful there were like 50 bags of liquid sitting there on the porch

That took some work to be done

Yeah it did it did how many cell phones are turned in to the lost and found in a year

I am going to guess less than a hundred thousand

Yes it less than 100000

I would say maybe 9000

Im giving it to you its 6000 but you guys are right on top of it yeah that's it its about 6000

No we are not

We are 50% off but thank you for giving it to us

I would love to be a student in your class

Yes I want to be graded by Matt

I thought the 9000 was close to 6000 when the first number I heard was 100000

Allright allright allright

You set high expectations

How many major themeparks are there on the grounds of walt Disney world

So there is epcot

8

Animal kingdom

Magic kingdom

Harry potter kingdom is that one of theirs

No

They'll own it soon enough

Well isn't there a lion king one

Well we heard animal kingdom

There is epcot

Yeah crocodiles come up out of the lake and eat people

That is actually a true story Jim

It is

So again we have magic kingdom, animal kingdom and epcot

What about euro Disney

That's not in Orlando

I think 5

5 is also close its 4 you have missed Disney's Hollywood studios is the 4th one

I think 8 is closer because if you divide it by 2

Aspirationally speaking

That's what I meant

You'll be 8 in 10 years

Just a few weeks ago a new attraction opened in Disney's Hollywood studios do you know what it is

Star wars

Star wars galaxies edge is the correct response

Where you can be vaporized

No but you take on a persona and then have to use an app to explore that character I am kind of looking forward to that I would like to get down there

The psyche of Darth Vader

That's right exactly

Who is going as Jar Jar though

I just want tot be Chewbacca

I love all that

Kylo Ren

There you go

I am missing so much

There are two water parks at walt Disney world do you know their names one of them has the same name as a major storm that occurs in southeast asia

Tsunami

Not a tsunami but it does start with the letter T

Tidal wave

Typhoon

It's a typhoon lagoon is the first one and the other one has a winter theme and an alliterative BB
in its two names

Blizzard Beach

Blizzard Beach is the name of the other one nice

Give me alliteration for 400 alex

What is the tallest water slide at Blizzard Beach called also not alliterative but similar sounds
initials S P waits the tallest part of a mountain that you ascend

Peak

Summit

Summit slides

And then when you go down the slide you P

Splash

Plummet

Plunge

Plummet its summit plummet

Its scary enough

I was thinking of the letter P but sure in what part does the space mountain ride lie in Disney
world

Magic kingdom

The magic kindom Tomorrowland is close is tomorrow land and future alnd close enough for you

No

Oh my gosh this is insane okay we have another set of questions here sent in by another one of Mara Livsey's students Angela Yoo thank you for sending us these questions Angela they are kind of all over the place and it is kind of fun what is the total number of dots on a pair of dice

In Disney

No we are beyond Disney

21

No its 14 times 3 whatever that is so its 42

42 is the correct response Dave was at $\frac{1}{2}$ and I wasn't going to give it to him. Heather wouldn't have let me. What is the name of the city where the Simpsons live

Springfield

Oh no states springfield no state no state at all spinach supposedly high in what mineral

Iron

Folic acid

Its definitely iron that's an organic chemical its not a mineral

Oh jeez

Oh my gosh so embarrassing

Whats embarrassing that somebody said folic acid

I am being funny

He didn't know basic chemistry that's whats funny

Speaking of basic chemistry or maybe physics maybe biology there is a temperature where
celcius and farenheight actually have the same magnitude do you know what that temperature is

0

Not 0

14

Its not

Is it like -400 or something

Its not -400 but it is minus

-14

Somewhere down there

You said 14 and I heard 40 which is the correct response so I am giving you full credit

He had a lisp forgive him -40

I am going to join a mumble rap group and get credit for that

Protest

Ah lets see during what month does the earth have the least distance to the sun

February

Its not February

It is winter though yes

It is winter yes

November

Its not November

Its January yes

Lets see January february march

There is no final answer on this gameshow

You get it within 12 guesses that's alright

And if we cant get it under 13 we are in trouble

Oh my gosh

Does movember count

There is one full video making its way around the internet this week done by one of my favorite youtubers I just so happen to be wearing his logo today what planet is closest to earth in distance (you're already wrong) and it's the most fascinating thing that I have ever heard in my life Mercury because of its small orbit around the sun is the closest to every planet in the solar system at some point during that planets year so all planets because it goes around so fast it does not have as much of a distance if Jupiter and Saturn are super far away from eachother it is impossible to say that any other planet is closer it is pretty fascinating on average how many tastebuds does a tongue have

Oh jeez

1000

Its more than a 1000

3000

5000

10000 will you give it to me

7900

I will give you 10 because its 9000 tastebuds is how many that you have lets see stick out your tongue heather 3 4 oh there we go

I can sense a caricature coming already

I am not touching that one not going there

The theory that the earth's crust is divided into gliding plates is known as what

Tectonics

Yes tectonics thanks angela those were a lot of fun

Or as I like to call it the super man movies

Yeah oh yeah plate tectonics

Its an ask the professor flashback

On my right from the department of religious studies in fact the very chair of that department

professor George Pickering

Hey pleasure to be here as always

Oh its always a pleasure to have you

George are you saved

I don't think that's any of your business

You're good

It worked

It paralyzes all powers of retort do it George

Bang that's it

What a guy

And that voice you just heard sitting to George's right from the department of history and the

assistant dean of the college of liberal arts and directress I guess that's the right word well the

person who runs the learning center

Top chick here we go

Professor Kathy Bush

Hello Edwin

Tough chick too

You bet

You know there is a story that reminded me of that exchange with Kathy that Dwight Almoody was a big revivalist

Yeah

Oh yeah

Revival college yeah

He did walk up to a person on the street and ask him if he was saved one time and the man said its not any of your business and he said oh yes it is and the man said to him you must be Dwight Almoody

That's good

Oh dear

That's super

Wonderful

These questions were sent by another one of Mara's students Kunal Desai I also had him in class here my 10 questions are listed below I am excited for your responses and what I noticed next to the question marks is that they are all kind of no responses listed he said these questions are kind of juicy so feel free to avoid any you don't feel comfortable responding to

We like juicy actually

Well lets see how we dive in here is it true that you have a favorite student

Right now or

Like ever

Historically yeah yeah

That's it

At some point some time yes next question

Yes next question please

Heather you look like you were going to say something prophetic

I love them all in different ways

Oh listen to you

Yes under glass

She wants some of them to be in prison but she nevertheless loves them

I love you in orange

I love you in orange

Were you going to say something else heather

No

Stephen says its too juicy

What's the favorite thing that you do when you get free time

Free what

Free who

What is he talking about here what is that

You mean when they let us go in the school year and let us exercise for a while

You mean on the hamster wheel

Favorite thing to do

What's your favorite thing to do in your free time

Think about all my favorite students

Yes

This is getting meta I would have said gardening for you

Sure right now

At some level

Grading student papers that's what I do in my free time

Oh my gosh

We have no free time

What is this free time. what concept is this

Too vague

I make music

Oh play the piano app on your phone professor roche

Yeah its piano or anything so I make music

How long does it really take to grade exams

Oh depends

Depending on how fast the check clears

As long as it takes you to run down the stairs and pick them up to see if they are face side up or face side down.

Exactly

Is it a small bottle of wine or a big bottle of wine?

It depends on the day

We are crossing over into like a carrie fischer level of snarkiness oh my gosh

He said they might be juicy

They are a little bit juicy

And salacious

Yeah do teachers ever dislike certain students

Yes

No comment no not all

Yes absolutely

Yeah I think that the truth is that there are some people that have chemistry and some people that have biology

I think yeah there are times when its impossible not to and there are times when it's a struggle not to like grade fairly when you feel like somebodies not trying

Or you know that they are brighter than they actually are and they are just kind of like blowing off the class

Particularly when they sit right in front of you and never take a note

I used to have a student he would always stay up way to late so his thing was he would always sit right up front right next to me and I always threatened if he ever fell asleep I would pull out sharpies and drawing all over him hand in warm water or dropping a phonebook next to his head
So he'd jump

No he stayed awake he knew what he needed to do so I give the students credit for doing that

Here is a positive juice

What's that

What is your favorite part about teaching?

Well the money obviously

The what, they pay you?

The spark of excitement when somebody has a really cool idea and they come up with it themselves.

That's kind of a big deal

Yeah when you see those little sparks light up in people's faces and you realized they got it and are taking it further.

I had a student yesterday she was so excited she was like oh I want to talk about this idea I am so excited she was jumping up and down in her seat

That's great

Yeah it was great

Which class was that?

Young adult dystopian literature

Well that dystopian

I don't know I get some students that seem a little lethargic

Oh well it is that time of the semester I suppose

If you could go back in time and attend a different university for your graduate education where would you go?

Well I applied to 3 different places

I wouldn't. I loved graduate school

That was UVA for you right

Yeah I loved it

I think I would stick with Syracuse too

Oh interesting

I wouldn't change

I don't think I would change either

Where would you go Stephen?

I think a place with a better football program

Penn state

Occasionally at least

Oh I was thinking Washington

You're wearing a purple sweater

Yeah go huskies. they're unranked

That's undefeated so

In basketball

In everything we don't compete

We saved the juiciest for last so we will see if there is a tail that hangs on. What is the least amount of sleep you have ever received on a night when you had to teach the next day?

Zero. I mean I have done all nighters plenty of times.

That's a given

Yeah for sure

I walk the walk

Can you say like -4 hours

Yeah exactly I have certainly stayed up all night long and then taught

Yeah so Heather as an example, what is something you have had to do that had you up all night long?

Grading papers, yeah

I have stayed up lots of times in the lab helping students when they have projects due the next day. Now they just take their laptops and do it at home. I miss it actually.

Oh that's interesting

But it times out good, because I have kids at home now.

I feel like if Jerry Curtsinger were here, he would say that he would like teach all day long and then he would go and run the broadcast on a wings game and then do the post and then make sure it showed up on the news. And then be in class the next day teaching again. Those were the days. Those were the days. I don't know what it is for me I think that it is I have had all 3 of my children all three of my boys during the time I have been a prof and that probably effected my sleeping schedule even more than than grading and stuff.

Yeah to this day you get up earlier

Many sleepless nights because of bottles to make and diapers to change and you know things like that. Thanks for these questions Kanal. They were mildy juicy, but you know

Nothing salacious

Stimulating

Yeah exactly

We need, frankly I will challenge the listeners it would be nice to have some open ended stuff every once in a while you know we have done that before but

You know we are going to get asked what's the last digit of pi or something like that.

That week Jeffe Boats will be here and it will make perfect sense he will just say 9 and ring it in randomly

And who is going dispute him? I wouldn't

All right it is time for our openended question we call ATP favorites all we need to do is think of a favorite and one of our panelists will challenge the other panelists with I am starting to think that we can motivate eachother that whoever comes up with the favorite that we use does not need to answer it

Allright I have got one to ask just for everyone when a dog bites or a bee stings what are a few of your favorite things

Oh have you seen that show that's coming on

Somebody laughed

The pain show have you seen that

The pain show

Yeah these two guys they are going to get bitten by

Oh those guys like on Saturday night live oh I hate when that happens

I saw the promos

Oh how bout this is there some sort of preacher like an animal or a bug something that frightens you or that you really find dis tasteful

You know I don't have a problem with animals

Rattle snakes

Theyre delicious

What about big rats

I don't care for them

I don't invite them to dinner but

Oh they are just whistle pigs in costume

Well the question fell flat

Well did you have one that you wanted to bring up or were you trying to deflect

No not necessarily no

I know if Kendra were here she would have said snakes

Yeah I don't like snakes with fangs

I am okay with

I am not against fanged snakes

What kind of foods do people not like I know that's lame

I am not a fan of asparagus

Liver hate liver

Eggs

Eggs

I love eggs

We've heard that before

Eggs are good they're good food

I am sure they are

My wife actually just made brustle sprouts with bacon and brustle sprouts and what happens you
put bacon with anything

Kayle I don't like kayle

But they do look good though

Kayle

Yeah decorative Kayle

Okay this was a lame question lets move on

No you did great and unfortunately we have reached the end of our show

Fortunately

Mercifully

I said unfortunately and its time to say goodbye dave

See you

Jason

Chow

Jim

Chow Guido

Heather

Bye bye

And now these words

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