

ATP 2022

-The University tower times ring in another session 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 left, he doesn't have anything shoved into his mouth right before I try to introduce him, its Professor Dave Chow.

-laughing

- Pleasure to be here, and eyeing the donuts.

-Yes thank you for bringing them. We are going to be on a hot streak for people bringing food. Last week, I don't mean to make your eyes get too big, Beth, but we had multiple bags of cookies...

-Donuts

-...Board game box full of chocolates, a box of donuts, it was nuts!

-Nuts.

-May it never be like that again.

-It was nice! Smorgasbord

-It was a sugar high, for sure

-No, no, not until we have the next cookie off

-Oh, you're right. We're going to have to wait for Mara.

-You heard about that right Beth?

-I did not,

-You did not?!

-You guys had a cookie off?

-Well it was a bread off, wasn't it?

-I don't know...

-Well we had a bread off, yeah but we had a cookie off

-It was between Mara and Dan, they were claiming who could bake the best cookie

-Ahhh, Dan bakes great cookies! I haven't tried Mara's, but...

-It was tough

-...Nothing makes Drew happier than when Dan delivers cookies to our house.

-Aww, those are the dulcet tones of Professor Beth Oljar, from Philosophy

-Good to be here!

-Excellent, glad to have you!

- Looking remarkably philosophical today, almost Kantian

-all laughing

-You know, when Dave and I were teaching last semester, he actually said to Alexa, if Kant were a woman he would be Beth.

-all laughing

-I would have hit him

-I have no capacity to reason, according to him..

-laughing

-..Do you watch the Good Place?

-No

-You have to watch the Good Place.

-Does it involve Kant?

-it's about a philosopher who dies and goes to the Good Place, but he tries to reason his whole life by using philosophical concepts. Its soo good

-its coming to an end. they're on their last season

-Netflix has the first 4, they're on their 5th season

-Just the idea that there's a philosopher as the star of the show

-He is one of the central characters, for sure

-And it stars Christine Bell, you can't do any worse, she's super snarky and awesome. What are you doing with your non teaching, Beth are we allowed to ask?

-Yeah, I'm resting and recuperating and trying to write, and enjoying not being here, except doing fun things here like Ask the Professor!

-Aw yay! We're glad to have you back in the studio with us. 2020 new year, new you... Professor Conant is here from Biology, how are the renovations going?

-Loud, but it's okay. A bit loud we got a peak in it this morning, because they took the fake wall down for a minute. I don't know, it's gutted, so progressing...

-Is it before the end of the semester hopefully?

-That's the timeline they gave us, we'll see.

-What's the outcome going to look like?

-They're redoing the main office, putting a conference room on the first floor and a big student lounge area.

-Oh nice

-That's going to be exciting! Over there in the life science building, we just heard from Professor Jim Tubbs from religious studies, flying away on the wings of retirement all the way to...

-No not flying far!

-He's flying all the way to adjunctville

-Yes -laughing

-...all the way to Clawson

-laughing

-Well, we're always glad to have you here Jim, and no one is fully retired from the panel, that's what I always say. We have Kathy Bush and Ed DeWindt looking down on us every week, thanks to Dave Chow's illustration on the wall. Last, but most certainly not least, furiously doing research with glasses at the tip of his nose, Professor Jason Roche from Communication Studies.

-I am very happy to be here

-We are very happy to have you

-I was trying to sound like Prince Hakeem...I was furiously deleting pictures in my phone so I can take more

-Pictures of your children

-That's what happens when you have kids, the memories go fast. Well folks this is a program that you could send us questions regarding anything, if you stump the panel you win a prize. If you don't stump the panel you win a prize, prizes all around. You send the questions to us in a number of ways, you can e-mail us at atp@udmercy.edu. You can reach us on the web at udmercy.edu/atp. You can find us on Facebook or listen from your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play "ask the professor at University of Detroit, Mercy. Okay, so we got a question from a student, here name is Sarah Hirschmann. She says "hello profs, you may walk around the school like an expert at something, but I am determined to make you feel like a lost and confused child, which by the way is how I feel in your class."

-We often feel like that ourselves, we're probably just better at faking it.

-As long as we're one page ahead of them, that's all that it takes.

-She said good luck, these are all over the map. She even gave choices, but you know, since we know everything I may not feel like giving choices. How many times has the United States women's national soccer team won in the world cup?

-3

-The answer here says 4. But 3 is actually pretty close!

-If were rounding -laughing

-Where's Kendra?

-Yeah, I know Kendra is usually the one to shoot right in the middle right? By the way, Sarah, I know enough about multiple choice test taking, that you may have biased your answer choices. A. 5 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4 Just put them in order. What type of food did astronauts in recent years claim, when they were in open space, what did it smell like?

-Steak

-They said it smelled like steak for some reason. The other choices were tacos, chicken, spaghetti. Why did Abraham Lincoln's body guard leave his post at Ford Theatre resulting, of course, in his assassination?

-To get a drink

-Yes to get a drink, sadly. There was a rumor that a musical instrument was required to become a teacher in North Korea. You had to be able to play this instrument to be a teacher, do you know what it was?

-Piano?

-Recorder?

-No, those are both really really good. It is not sequitur as it could be.

-Trombone

-Tuba

-Almost there

-Trumpet

-Clarinet

-It's a keyboard instrument that lets say Laurence Welk might play

-Accordion?!

-Yeah, accordion is the answer

-So we tease my husband to this day, because he was in undergrad for elementary ed, he could not pass music because he sucks the rhythm out of people, he could not pass the recorder part. So now every time one of our kids hit 5th grade and they bring a recorder home, he goes "I get it, hot cross buns. Go away!"

-Oh no!

-How sad!

-I love it

-What type of diet was once claimed to have magical curative properties in 16th century Europe?

-What kind of diet?

-blood letting?

-leeches?

-tapeworm diet

-cannibalism

-Yeah cannibalism absolutely! Eat your neighbors for magical curative powers!

-And if you don't like them you're getting rid of them at the same time

-It's a twofer

-Win win

-This is very, considering when the questions were submitted, late 2019, very topical Sarah, what professional sport once had men and women playing together as players. We just got an announcement that there will be mixed gender coach in this sport next season?

-Tennis

-Baseball

-Yes baseball! We're going to have a female coach in San Fran Giants

-Still no crying in baseball

-Still no crying

-What very interesting activity is very scientifically well known to help you pass a kidney stone?

-Jumping rope

-Jumping rope is one of the distractors, but you're on the right track

-Trampoline

-Apparently riding a roller coaster will help you pass kidney stones

-I think it's because when you go over, (the top) it suspends gravity for a minute

-goes up and down again

-When processed incorrectly what spice can induce hallucinations?

-Turmeric?

-Nutmeg

-Yes nutmeg!

-What type of sea creature can live upwards of 300 years?

-Sharks

-Yes Sharks, the Greenland sharks. 300 years is a long time

-They're miracles of evolution, according to Richard Dreyfuss in Jaws.

-How many time zones are there in France?

-2

-Wow that is so far off you won't even believe me when I tell you

-France isn't even that wide

-It says here, there are 12 time zones in France

-Maybe they're including all the territories

-Can you imagine trying to make up appointments?

-France. That says everything

-How many 3 pointers did Shaq actually make in his entire NBA career?

-Not many.

-That's partial credit less than 12

-8

-Less than 8

-5

-Less than 5

-3

-Less than 3

-1

-Yes, 1 is the correct response.

-It's very well known there is another mammal besides humans that give unique names to one another, what is it?

-Elephants

-Dolphins

-Yes Dolphins give unique names. All clicks and shrieks

-Dolphins are pretty cool

-Very cool

-X number of years ago, someone added a new word to the Oxford English dictionary to describe the blob of toothpaste you put on your toothbrush before brushing your teeth?

-Gunk

-Pea drop

-Why wouldn't it just be toothpaste?

-Its either an axle, nerdle, poppicock, biddle

-I go with nerdle

-Nerdle is what it is.

Which animal could sense an earthquake almost 100 miles away? This is actually very well known scientifically

-bats

-Bats are good, but they're in the air I need something on the ground

-whistle pigs

-Earth Worms

-Pretty close but no...If Kendra were here she would say...

-Snakes

-Snakes! They can sense earthquakes from almost 100 miles away. That was pretty sweet. Those were Sarah Hirschmann's questions. Very, very good set of questions!

-Thank you Sarah!

-Thank you Sarah!

-These are our next set of questions.... "Hey guys, my name is Luke Boostamonte, I'm currently working with Michael Jayson, transcribing the show, and I've got some hopefully fun questions for you." Thank you for sending these Luke, someone who works with Michael, for helping transcribe the show so all may have access to it. It seems like there might be a little bit of a theme here. Let's see what happens.

Star Wars features the iconic Grand Moff Tarkin, who orders the destruction of Alderaan who use of the death star "You may fire when ready". What is Grand Moff Tarkin's first name?

-Bill?

--laughing- Ill give you partial credit!

-Omar

--all laughing-

-It's a made up name, but it sounds appropriate so I'm giving partial credit. You said Bill, its Will Huff.

-I was going to say that!

-I was hoping you guys would really like my Peter Cushing impression

-I liked it

-I thought it was great!

-"Evacuate in a moment of triumph!" Both of Darth Vader's arms and legs are cybernetic replacements of his lost appendages, although prior to his transformation, one of his appendages was already missing. What was it?

-Was it a hand?

-You're close

-His ear?

-No. It was his right arm. He had it cut off by Count Dooku.

-Was this before or after the kids?

-This was before the kids. He had a cybernetic arm.

-This is as much Star Wars that I know basically. Other than Yoda

-In Star Wars Episode 5, The Empire Strikes Back, Luke crash lands his ship on Dagobah, what was the name of his ship that crashes?

-The x wing

-It was the x wing that finds her that is correct. In the action film john wick, apparently Luke really goes to the films here, john wick racks up an impressive body count throughout the duration of the film. Exactly how many people does John Wick kill on film?

-59

-a lot!

-Its higher than 59

-107

-Its lower than 107

-72

-It's 77, I'm giving you all the credit!

-The beginning of that movie, I can't. The little beagle puppy, I'm like I can't watch this, this is too awful I can't watch this!

-Oh my gosh

-He is avenged!

-But then he kills all the people to avenge his puppy

-He killed 77 people because someone killed his dog?

-It was a really cute puppy!

-There were 2 sequels. He buys a new dog in every sequel, and then the gangster comes back to school him and they kill his dog, and he goes on a rampage again. Here's more of those questions. How many of those 77 were headshots?

-64

-Its lower

-If you're an assassin you want the double tap right?

-51

-I'm giving it, it's 49. The double tap? Oh my gosh. That's awesome! Back to star wars for some reason, Luke leaves dagobah in the middle of his training in order to save his friends. What's the name of the planet he travels to in order to save his friends?

-Is this a planet where the ewoks live?

-Nope. Episode 5

-Endor

-Why would a wookie live on endor?

-They don't live on endor

-Its not a planet they live on a cloud city, Bespin

-Yes Bespin. What's the name of the animal Han Solo uses to cut open and keep himself warm?

-TonTon

-Nice. It's a TonTon. There is a fabric sleeping bag you can get that looks like a TonTon, it's so cool. Luke and Ben Kanobi first meet Han Solo in a canteen or a bar in what city on Tatoween?

-Moss Isley

-That's the famous bar scene!

-Yes Mos Eisley SpacePort. Who shot first?

-Greeno was the original! Sometimes he never shots at all, but I can't believe I have to say this on air, not many people figured this out until Disney Plus started, but it was part of george lucas's contract with disney that he reserved the right to modify any of the Star Wars Movies anytime he wanted, and has already modified episode 4 before uploading to disney plus. Now Greeno says this gibberish word before his head hits the table, he says "Maklunkey" no one knows what it means, it's hilarious. Why do you have to keep modifying it?

Tesla recently unveiled its latest entry into the electric automobile market, what is it called?

-Its that weird truck thing

-With the unbreakable window!

-Cybertruck

-Yes! During the unveiling of the cybertruck, one of the demonstrations of the trucks capabilities failed! They threw a ball at the window...

-Right! The glass was supposed to be unbreakable and it cracked or something

-Mhm! Okay Beth, I promise this will be in the most tasteful way. What breed of dog was in John Wick, we said it was a beagle

-A sweet beagle puppy!

-Yes! Now what was the name of his dog? This was really well known for the John Wick fans

-Daisy

-Yes Daisy! So in the second movie, John Wick buys a new dog. What breed is that? Has anyone seen it?

-Oh I have not...

-It's from Belgium. Anyone know of any dog breeds from belgium?

-Corgi?

-It's a belgium malagnou that's what it's called. Thank you Luke for these questions, we are all over the map. What was the name of Obi Wan Kenobi's master, in star wars episode 1 the phantom menace?

-Quan Jin

-Yes played by...

-Liam Neison

-Yes. Liam Neison. And to finish things off here, pretty good actually, these were good questions, always up for a good Star wars rumble here. WHO is currently the most subscribed youtuber? It's not actually the little ryan who opens toys here, it goes back to

the guy before him.

-PewDiePie?

-Its pewdiepie, yeah

-I thought he was leaving.

-I don't know the thing about PewDiePie , his name is felix gilberg, but he has been known to make a lot of very questionable commentary, including racist and misogynistic comments. It's just kind of sad. Well, we've reached a point in the show for someone else to come up with an atp favorite theme. SO let's see what that might be.

-A favorite theme?

-A theme where people can say what their favorite of that thing is.

-Like a favorite Prasad

-My favorite prasad is Prasad

-What's your favorite picture of your kids. Do you have one?

-Could I say my favorite cats?

-My favorite picture is of my great niece who looks like a miniature Uncle Fester, all she needed was a light bulb!

-Oh my word

(all laughing)

-Did anyone get smart and give her a lightbulb?

-Haha no!

-The story I can tell about my favorite picture, is we got josephs picture taken, he was 3 or 4 years old and we put him in this red and blue striped sweater, just a regular sweater, and then they had him pose for pictures, he sort of looked like the photo was manipulated, he looks more gangly than usual. My wife sends the picture over, and she didn't say anything to me about the photo, but the file name said "my son the muppet" because he looked like a prop!

- - all laughing-

-Folks, I'm afraid that's all the time we have for today. We have to say goodbye. I'd like to

thank Professor Roche

-I 'd like to say you're welcome

-Professor Tubbs

-I would say so too

-Professor Conant

-Goodbye

-Professor Oljar

-See ya!

-Professor Chow

-Later

-And now, these words: You can email ask the professor at atp@udmercy.edu, tweet to us on Twitter [@asktheprofessor](https://twitter.com/asktheprofessor) or using the hashtag [#Asktheprofessorudm](https://twitter.com/asktheprofessorudm) or visit the asked the professor Facebook page.

Ask the professor is transcribed at the facilities of the Briggs building, the department communication studies in the College of Liberal Arts education at university of Detroit Mercy's campus. Ask the professor is produced and directed by Michael Jayson and our executive producer, who's that guy over there until next week, I'm your host Matt Mio.