

**Male Speaker:** The University Tower Chimes ring in another session of Ask The Professor, the show on which you match wits with the 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 Religious Studies, it's Professor Jim Tubbs.

**Male Speaker:** Hello, hello. How are you doing?

**Male Speaker:** I'm doing okay. This was a... this was a little bit of a rough week.

**Male Speaker:** Uh-oh.

**Male Speaker:** But I think I'm starting to say that every Friday. We came in the other morning at a key juncture where I had emptied out most of my inbox the previous day, but then we didn't have Wi Fi, right? So, we couldn't access email unless you had a hotspot, and I said, "Oh, this sort of feels nice." Got some reading done, then you open up your inbox a couple days later.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** That plus...

**Male Speaker:** And you can even scroll through everything that's there.

**Male Speaker:** Yep. But there was... there were 3 separate not supposed to be there pools of water in the chemistry building this morning. And so, that was not interesting or fun.

**Male Speaker:** Indoor plumbing.

**Male Speaker:** I mean, it was mildly interesting, but it was not fun at all. So...

**Male Speaker:** I was hoping they had solved that problem.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah. And it feels to me like maybe it was something having to do with pressure because it's unlikely that all 3 of those things would happen all at the same time. But one of them may or may not have been caused by my research group. So, I will get back to you.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, okay.

**Male Speaker:** We are having like the greatest non-winter winter in like the history of the world.

**Male Speaker:** This is... it is really weird. I remember noticing that some of the grass stayed green, like through most of January.

**Male Speaker:** Right.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, we took a family walk I think it was about seven days ago. And I go, "I see some crocuses coming up. Where's Heather when we need her yelling at the flowers, 'Get back in there!'" Oh my gosh. Continuing around the horn, It's Professor Dan Maggio.

**Male Speaker:** Hi, Matt, glad to be here.

**Male Speaker:** How was your recent trip?

**Male Speaker:** The curling machine.

**Male Speaker:** Yes. My recent trip to Philadelphia was fantastic. I love visiting Philly.

**Male Speaker:** Philly is a pretty fun place. We're going there in a few weeks for the ACS meeting.

**Male Speaker:** People... people there are so nice. It's a great city. It's walkable.

**Male Speaker:** Great food.

**Male Speaker:** Easy to get around. Great food.

**Male Speaker:** There we go. Continuing around the table, Professor Jason Roach is here from Communication Studies.

**Male Speaker:** And very glad to be here.

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** Haven't been here in a while, but I said, "You know, I'm here putting the kid in aftercare at school and I'm staying."

**Male Speaker:** That's beautiful.

**Male Speaker:** So, here I am.

**Male Speaker:** We kept the chair warm for you.

**Male Speaker:** Let's answer those questions.

**Male Speaker:** Very glad to have you.

**Male Speaker:** I think I may have found you 2 more students for your speech class for this summer. They're actually quite excited about having a brick and mortar professor actually was the phrase used by the student.

**Male Speaker:** Wow, that's cool.

**Male Speaker:** The Roach Man.

**Male Speaker:** Yes, yes.

**Male Speaker:** Brick and mortar.

**Male Speaker:** Well, I was talking to them about a number of online courses and they actually, not because of principle or anything, wanted to shy away from them. "Well, I live out of state but I'm planning on being here over the summer. So, I just assumed to be talking to an actual human being," hence the joke the brick and mortar professor versus the brick and mortar building.

**Male Speaker:** That mortar looks good on you, Roach Man.

**Male Speaker:** Thank you.

**Male Speaker:** Brick will!

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, the bricks a little dated, but the mortar looks good.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, the moss works wonders.

**Male Speaker:** That's all right. All the way around, almost back to me at the table, it's Professor Dave Chow.

**Male Speaker:** Pleasure to be here as always.

**Male Speaker:** Excellent. So, I see you have your new issue of the VN. So...

**Male Speaker:** No, this actually last week's.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, it is?

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Well, we get it sporadically. So, it probably is the most recent issue. Okay.

**Male Speaker:** It is, every 2 weeks.

**Male Speaker:** Very nice. What's your handle on Instagram for people that want to follow your sketches?

**Male Speaker:** Dave Chow Art.

**Male Speaker:** Dave Chow Art. Feel free to...

**Male Speaker:** Since July I've posted like, I don't know, 300, almost 400 images.

**Male Speaker:** That's incredible. That's a great.

**Male Speaker:** I'm a beast. What can I say?

**Male Speaker:** You are a beast; a beast of drawings.

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** And folks, this is a program you can send us questions regarding anything. Frankly, a set of questions like entitled The Beast or Beast would be kind of cool. You stump the panel, you win one of our prizes. If you don't stump the panel, you win one of our prizes. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. You can email us at [atp@utmercy.edu](mailto:atp@utmercy.edu). You can reach us on the web at [utmercy.edu/atp](http://utmercy.edu/atp). Find us on Facebook or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play Ask The Professor at University of Detroit Mercy. You know, every once in a while we get a single question sent to us by the form at [utmercy.edu/atp](http://utmercy.edu/atp), and it's always very, very interesting. Tim Callahan has sent us, "How does the Odyssey and the modern United States relate with one another?" And I was just wondering what people would say about that, besides the semi obvious that, of course, President Trump had to fire an arrow through 27 axes to actually achieve his office. That's an Odyssey joke anyway. Bad... bad crowd.

**Male Speaker:** I think the sirens are still with us.

**Male Speaker:** I hear them every night.

**Male Speaker:** The Cyclops.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, the Cyclops.

**Male Speaker:** Exactly.

**Male Speaker:** Yes, Gorgon.

**Male Speaker:** Any other hilarious commentary on that interesting question?

**Male Speaker:** Maybe it's going to take us a long time to get home again.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah. Well, that's also true.

**Male Speaker:** "Will the ship be made of the same parts that it left with?" that's what I say.

**Male Speaker:** And will Penelope still be faithful and unraveling her sewing?

**Male Speaker:** That's right, that's right.

**Male Speaker:** Pinalope, I remember talking...

**Male Speaker:** Pinalope, that's how I always say it.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, talking to my mother, it's like, "I don't understand the purpose of this character, Pinalope," she's like, "It's Penelope. You know, we have another set of questions here from Cat Park, who is one of Mara Livsee's students. Mara is not here with us today because frankly, she's teaching. Here a set of questions about geography.

**Male Speaker:** Oh.

**Male Speaker:** Geography, Earth writing. "What is the diameter of the earth measured in miles?"

**Male Speaker:** 7300 and something.

**Male Speaker:** The diameter or the radius?

**Male Speaker:** 8000.

**Male Speaker:** It says the diameter is what it says here. So, it's a little bit closer to 8000, but it's more than the 7000.

**Male Speaker:** Okay.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, that's correct. Let's see here, "What river runs through the city of Baghdad?"

**Male Speaker:** Tigris, Euphrates.

**Male Speaker:** it's the Tigris.

**Male Speaker:** Tigris, okay.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, absolutely. T i g r i s, not T i g r e s s. Got to keep that in mind too. "What country on planet Earth has the most natural lakes?" This is a good one too. I mean, look at the...

**Male Speaker:** My homeland?

**Male Speaker:** I would say the US.

**Male Speaker:** Canada?

**Male Speaker:** It's not the US, it's Canada actually. Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Nice.

**Male Speaker:** I was going to give Dave the googly eyes.

**Male Speaker:** No, no, no, no, no.

**Male Speaker:** "You know, Canada."

**Male Speaker:** I'm thinking, "Okay, north of Minnesota. Yeah, it's us."

**Male Speaker:** Mm-hmm, it's definitely, definitely Canada. "Which African nation contains the most pyramids?" It just seems like a very general kind of question, but there's an answer.

**Male Speaker:** Okay, wait a minute here.

**Male Speaker:** It's not Egypt.

**Male Speaker:** Sudan.

**Male Speaker:** It's the Sudan. Yeah, that's what it says here. Now, how do you know that off the top of your, Jason?

**Male Speaker:** They just posted an ad for travel to Sudan and I'm like, "Who on earth would travel there?" Then I see these pyramids, I'm like, "Oh."

**Male Speaker:** "Oh, that actually looks pretty."

**Male Speaker:** Oh Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** "Could run up the side."

**Male Speaker:** I think you need a little more temptation than some pyramids to go there.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, exactly. Like...

**Male Speaker:** No offense to the wonderful Sudanese people listed today.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Stretch your dollar far by touring sedan.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, I mean, is there like an Anthony Bourdain segment that they can run or something like that?

**Male Speaker:** Travel insurance.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah. "What is the tallest mountain in North America?"

**Male Speaker:** McKinley?

**Male Speaker:** Right, but we don't call it that anymore.

**Male Speaker:** Denali.

**Male Speaker:** Denali is what we call it, using the native tongue. Yes.

**Male Speaker:** I'm still in denial about that change.

**Male Speaker:** Very nice.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Very nice.

**Male Speaker:** And if you get multiple denials, we can call them Denali.

**Male Speaker:** Exactly.

**Male Speaker:** That's awesome.

**Male Speaker:** It really is beautiful when you get to see it.

**Male Speaker:** No question.

**Male Speaker:** I remember driving up from... from Anchorage one time and I came around the bend and then, all of a sudden, out there in front of me, you know, was Denali. And the clouds had parted sort of briefly, because usually, the top of it's covered with clouds. It was amazing.

**Male Speaker:** The closest that I've ever come to anything like that is I think I got a good look at it from a plane, but it still is actually pretty unbelievable. When you drive over the Continental Divide, it's like, "Whoa, that's actually on the planet Earth." "Which continent by volume," we want this response, "has the most freshwater?" Here's a hint, it's not North America.

**Male Speaker:** Antarctica.

**Male Speaker:** It's Antarctica because it's all frozen. Yeah, that's exactly it.

**Male Speaker:** Well, I don't know how much longer that is.

**Male Speaker:** I know.

**Male Speaker:** Better make your drinks with the ice now.

**Male Speaker:** I will modify the question, "Which continent used to have the most freshwater?"

**Male Speaker:** Remember this will end up being a classic episode eventually. So...

**Male Speaker:** Oh, yeah, true, true. "It's an Ask The Professor flashback when we had fresh water."

**Male Speaker:** "When we had fresh water in Antarctica."

**Male Speaker:** You know, we got a wonderful set of questions that I'm not going to read quite yet, sent to us by Kimberly rich. But she wanted to remind us or ask us the single question of, "Who invented the idea of having a leap year?"

**Male Speaker:** Julius Caesar.

**Male Speaker:** It was Caesar actually, yeah. I highly doubt Caesar sat at his desk and figured it all out, but worked with the scientists or astronomers of the day and noticed... I just think this is funny. After a couple of years, it seemed the calendar had slipped out of sync with the seasons. So, it's just sort of like maybe snowing in summer and go. "Hmm, something is out of whack."

**Male Speaker:** So, the Julian calendar had a leap year?

**Male Speaker:** Well, it says here, they came up with a 365-day calendar that would sometimes add an extra day to the last month, which was at that time, February. The purpose of adding the extra day is to sync up the... with the Gregorian calendar, Gregorian with the solar calendar, which FYI, let's see if anybody can remember is 365 days, how many hours? 5 extra hours. How many extra minutes?

**Male Speaker:** 48.

**Male Speaker:** 48 minutes.

**Male Speaker:** Holy moly.

**Male Speaker:** How many seconds?

**Male Speaker:** 12?

**Male Speaker:** 46 seconds.

**Male Speaker:** It was off.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, I'll take the 48.

**Male Speaker:** Yes, the near exact amount of time it takes the earth to revolve around the sun. And to correct for near exactness, century ending years must be divisible by 400 to be a leap year. So, while 2000 was leap, 1700, 1800, 1900 were not. The next such double zero leap year will not be until the year 2400. I know 2200 looks like it should be, but check the math, it won't. I'm sort of surprised by the look on your face, Dan, because I want to say that many, many years ago...

**Male Speaker:** What?

**Male Speaker:** ... we were talking about leap year, and there actually is the need for a leap second every once in a while to make sure that everything totally syncs up with the 24-hour day. And, yeah, it's kind of cool. I recently saw a proposal that we should add February 29<sup>th</sup>, not as February 29<sup>th</sup>, as an extra day between June 30<sup>th</sup> and July 1<sup>st</sup> that would be a day without a date. And everybody would get the day off in the entire world



and we'd just sort of celebrate the earth. I was like, "I don't know, that seems just crazy enough that it would kind of work." I'd like something like that.

**Male Speaker:** Where would people spend their money if everybody has the day off?

**Male Speaker:** Right, exactly.

**Male Speaker:** What would the receipts say if they spent money on that day? That's... the day without a date.

**Male Speaker:** And then what if you got married on that day?

**Male Speaker:** Oh, hey, we...

**Male Speaker:** Are we in one of the States where...?

**Male Speaker:** What if you were born on that day?

**Male Speaker:** I know.

**Male Speaker:** Ooh.

**Male Speaker:** Well, one of my students was born on February the 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Male Speaker:** I was going to say, are we in one of the States where they force you to choose February 28<sup>th</sup> or March 1<sup>st</sup> as your birth date?

**Male Speaker:** Wow.

**Male Speaker:** There are States that do that. Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, okay. Because I remember we always say, "Oh, you're 4 years old again," or whatever, you know?

**Male Speaker:** That was very Pirates of Penzance of you.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, exactly. My favorite is to open up the Farmer's Almanac and see like the 17 different calendars that human beings use and which one has the biggest year.

**Male Speaker:** I can't we just use Stonehenge and be done with. It's so much easier.

**Male Speaker:** Get the Farmer's Almanac Get it right about winter some year.

**Male Speaker:** We could use the Mayan calendar, but it ran out in 2013.

**Male Speaker:** It's true, it's true.

**Male Speaker:** We have another set of questions here, “Dear profs, once again, your podcast kept me entertained on my drive from Detroit to the dear old UP. Hearing you all riff about Casablanca and bogey, I was inspired to come up with movie questions. Some of these films go all the way back to The Day, and some are more recent. They run the gamut from Kish to Cult to mainstream and everyone has a name of a city in its title. I'm giving you the plot you guess the title, 9 out of 12 is passing (high standards). It's good old Maryland Batura Communising in the very, very cold UP.” Yes.

**Male Speaker:** Beautiful in the summer though.

**Male Speaker:** Absolutely gorgeous. For the 48 hours of summer that Munison gets, if you can predict when it will be, yes. Farmer's Almanac says sizzling drizzle for this spring in summer. So, it should be very interesting.

**Male Speaker:** Irrespectively, right?

**Male Speaker:** Oh, I'm not exactly sure when each will be happening.

**Male Speaker:** Okay.

**Male Speaker:** Farmer's Almanac also calls for a major snowstorm in the 20s of March. And I've actually seen multiple agencies start looking that this is going to happen this year. So, I'm anxious to see whether it comes through or not.

**Male Speaker:** I'm excited.

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** “NBA referee, Mickey, and his wife, Ellen, struggled to keep their marriage going in spite of conflicting job demands. The story is told by their friends who are waiting for Mickey to meet them for dinner. And we wonder if Ellen will be joining them too.”

**Male Speaker:** Sleepless in Seattle?

**Male Speaker:** That's.... you're in the wheelhouse, but it's definitely not...

**Male Speaker:** You've Got Mail?

**Male Speaker:** No, that don't have a City.

**Male Speaker:** Remember, it has to have the name of a city in the title. I will try to give you little bits and pieces, okay? 1995...

**Male Speaker:** Is Billy Crystal in it?

**Male Speaker:** It's Billy Crystal.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** You got it. He was the NBA ref.

**Male Speaker:** That's what I thought.

**Male Speaker:** Oh.

**Male Speaker:** Mm-hmm. Debra Winger was in it.

**Male Speaker:** An Officer and a Gentlemen.

**Male Speaker:** No, that's not got a city in it either.

**Male Speaker:** Last clue is Joe Mantegna.

**Male Speaker:** Joe Mantegna?

**Male Speaker:** Yes, he's one of my favorite actors.

**Male Speaker:** Fat Tony.

**Male Speaker:** Fat Tony. Yes, that's right. Any ideas here?

**Male Speaker:** No.

**Male Speaker:** Well, what does it mean... what does it mean when you don't remember something, we say that you...?

**Male Speaker:** Forget?

**Male Speaker:** Forget, and now city title.

**Male Speaker:** Forget Paris.

**Male Speaker:** Forget Paris is what it's called. That's full credit, full credit.

**Male Speaker:** With a clue.

**Male Speaker:** I didn't recognize that.

**Male Speaker:** Credit with a clue.

**Male Speaker:** That's alright.

**Male Speaker:** Spelled with a K, like kram, something like that.

**Male Speaker:** Does anybody remember 1995? I'm not even sure that I do.

**Male Speaker:** I do.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** I think so, yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Vaguely.

**Male Speaker:** I think that's what I paid in taxes last year.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, okay, very nice. Well, you're going to be getting more back this year...

**Male Speaker:** Right, no, I'm not.

**Male Speaker:** ... thanks to it being a election here. "The owner of a South American hotel can't get a music license for his grand opening, so may lose everything. The band he hired solves the problem by putting on a musical airshow, including dancing girls on the wings of low flying airplanes." I love. 1933.

**Male Speaker:** Just going to guess Rio, something about Blame it on Rio?

**Male Speaker:** Oh yes, it is. It's something... not Blame it on Rio.

**Male Speaker:** Flying over Rio.

**Male Speaker:** I'm giving it to you, Flying down to Rio.

**Male Speaker:** Flying down to Rio, yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, you hit it. That's beautiful, Jean Raman, Dolores Del Rio.

**Male Speaker:** Dolores Del Rio.

**Male Speaker:** And Fred Astaire, of course, yes. The all-time classic.

**Male Speaker:** So, dancing girls on wings of planes?

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** Why not?

**Male Speaker:** I've never seen it.

**Male Speaker:** And the posters had that, had the biplanes, you know, with the dancing girls on the wings.

**Male Speaker:** It wasn't until about a couple decades ago that my wife finally sat me down and forced me to watch White Christmas. And now, I'm fascinated by the number of movies of that era that are, we got to save the blank, put on an awesome show that raises a lot of money. You know, it's just like that was a definite plot go-to during that time.

**Male Speaker:** Well, in The Little Rascals, they would put on a show for no reason at all.

**Male Speaker:** And they can do it.

**Male Speaker:** There's a little kids show called Sing a couple years ago, where did the same thing, the animated pigs.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, that was a great movie. I liked that.

**Male Speaker:** It was pretty good.

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** "During World War II, a submarine sneaks into Japanese harbor and places a team of spies on shore so they can provide information for bombing raids."

**Male Speaker:** Tokyo Drift.

**Male Speaker:** Destination Tokyo?

**Male Speaker:** Destination Tokyo, 1943.

**Male Speaker:** I kept on picturing 1941, but that wasn't it.

**Male Speaker:** Cary Grant, John Garfield, Alan Hale is what we have here. Wow, that's...

**Male Speaker:** Alan Hayle?

**Male Speaker:** Senior.

**Male Speaker:** ... extremely topical for 1943.

**Male Speaker:** Gilligan's Island?

**Male Speaker:** Oh, no, Senior. Alan Hayle Jr. is the one in Gilligan's Island.

**Male Speaker:** Oh.

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** I did not know that.

**Male Speaker:** I didn't know that.

**Male Speaker:** The father was thinner.

**Male Speaker:** "Law professor, John Bottomly, who leads a task force to apprehend the killer who is terrorizing women. There are 13 victims before the murder is apprehended. 1968."

**Male Speaker:** The Boston Strangler?

**Male Speaker:** Yes, the Boston Strangler. Tony Curtis and Henry Fonda. Yeah, that's right. Very well done, very well done. John Bottomly though, I don't know, it sounds a bit of a joke.

**Male Speaker:** Mm-hmm, somebody lost a bet.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, somebody lost a bet. "Annie here's a man on the radio talk about his missing wife and becomes obsessed with him to the point of breaking her own engagement."

**Male Speaker:** The aforementioned sleeper.

**Male Speaker:** Sleepless in Seattle.

**Male Speaker:** Sleepless in Seattle, yes. 1993, Meg Ryan, Tom Hanks, and of course, Rosie O'Donnell. "Carol become suspicious of her neighbor when he seems too happy after his wife suddenly dies. But she can't convince her husband anything's wrong. She ends up investigating and eventually, they get in over their heads because it turns out she was right."

**Male Speaker:** Room with a View?

**Male Speaker:** No, it's got a city.

**Male Speaker:** But it sounds like kind of...

**Male Speaker:** Like a Rear Window.

**Male Speaker:** You're thinking a Rear Window-ish kind of thing.

**Male Speaker:** Oh yeah, Rear Window, sorry. Yeah, there's a window thing.

**Male Speaker:** FYI, this is 1993, it's a Woody Allen and Diane...

**Male Speaker:** Manhattan?

**Male Speaker:** ... Keaton special. Yes, it's Manhattan. What?

**Male Speaker:** Oh.

**Male Speaker:** 3 M's in this title.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, Manhattan Murder Mystery.

**Male Speaker:** Yes, I remember the poster had this huge tenement on it.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** That's right. That's exactly right. And it did have a little bit of a rear window vibe, but this is a Woody Allen movie.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, but wasn't there like a bunch of other stories in there too? I vaguely remember it. It was... you know, there's like...

**Male Speaker:** Like interwoven?

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Okay. I can't remember it. It's forever. I was young and petulant.

**Male Speaker:** Not paying attention.

**Male Speaker:** What? I was awake. I think I was on a date. Allright, Dr. Seuss. "Reuben comes from a family of macho hunters, but has never bagged a buck of his own. When the opportunity arises, we wonder if you will pull that trigger."

**Male Speaker:** Bambi?

**Male Speaker:** No, it's kind of have the city.

**Male Speaker:** Bambi in Paris.

**Male Speaker:** Wait a minute, hold it, wrong kind of movie now.

**Male Speaker:** Oh my, oh my.

**Male Speaker:** Different kind of Bambi.

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** It's a comedy or it's a...?

**Male Speaker:** It was definitely a comedy, 2001, very recent.

**Male Speaker:** I was going to... it sound like a John Candy movie there for a split thousand.

**Male Speaker:** 2001 is recent if you're not one of my students.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, well, yeah.

**Male Speaker:** You get the deer in the headlights like...

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, well mind you, they weren't born yet.

**Male Speaker:** Exactly.

**Male Speaker:** That's an issue, that's an issue. Harvey Presno and the giveaway is 2001, Jeff Daniels.

**Male Speaker:** What, Escanaba?

**Male Speaker:** Yes, Escanaba in the Moonlight. Yes.

**Male Speaker:** Wow.

**Male Speaker:** Absolutely. No one's ever seen the... the show turned into a movie, huh? It was good, very, very good. "If they can be the first to survive a 25<sup>th</sup> mission over Germany, then the flight crew could finally go home." 1990. They're still bombing Germany that late, huh?

**Male Speaker:** Memphis Belle.

**Male Speaker:** Memphis Belle was the movie.

**Male Speaker:** Wow, well done.

**Male Speaker:** Eric Stoltz, Matthew Modine.

**Male Speaker:** Yes, I saw that.

**Male Speaker:** Wasn't Harry Connick in that one too if I remember right?

**Male Speaker:** Oh yeah.

**Male Speaker:** I think he was.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, absolutely. Memphis Belle was the name of the ship... the plane.

**Male Speaker:** The flying fortress.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, exactly.

**Male Speaker:** Which was true... true, it really was an airplane...

**Male Speaker:** Oh, okay.

**Male Speaker:** ... miraculously did not get shot down.

**Male Speaker:** Interesting. 25 tours.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** That's... that's a lot. That's a lot. "To bring some publicity and revenue to their small town, an amateur hockey team accepts a challenge to play the New York Rangers on national TV." Dave, this category...



**Male Speaker:** It's a Russell Crowe movie, I remember that.

**Male Speaker:** Yes, it is, 1999.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, crud.

**Male Speaker:** Mary McCormack, Russell Crowe, Hank Azaria. It's a horrible movie.

**Male Speaker:** No, I thought it was good.

**Male Speaker:** No, I thought it was horrible. Like, the odds of them beating the Rangers.

**Male Speaker:** Anaheim Mighty Ducks.

**Male Speaker:** No.

**Male Speaker:** It's the name of the city where it takes place is the name of the movie, and it's in Alaska.

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** Not Juneau.

**Male Speaker:** Nope, no, no.

**Male Speaker:** I just...

**Male Speaker:** Until you guys think of it, I guess the name of the city will be...

**Male Speaker:** Not Frostbite falls.

**Male Speaker:** ... a mystery.

**Male Speaker:** Fairbanks?

**Male Speaker:** It's Mystery Alaska.

**Male Speaker:** It's Mystery Alaska.

**Male Speaker:** Mystery Alaska, yeah.

**Male Speaker:** I just wonder like what are the chances of... you know, I'm just like, "Wait, a minute, I..."

**Male Speaker:** You're taking this very seriously.

**Male Speaker:** I know. It's hockey. It's heritage. I mean, it runs in my blood.

**Male Speaker:** Oh my gosh, so funny.

**Male Speaker:** It skates in your blood.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah.

**Male Speaker:** It was just sort of a feel good movie. Doesn't have to be a big deal.

**Male Speaker:** Based on a true story?

**Male Speaker:** I don't think so.

**Male Speaker:** Groundhog Day, based on a true story.

**Male Speaker:** Avatar.

**Male Speaker:** Miracle on Ice was.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, well, that's true.

**Male Speaker:** That was a great... that was a good movie.

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** "Tracy's all set to marry the perfect if somewhat boring man when her ex-husband shows up to ruin the wedding." Jim's thinking really hard.

**Male Speaker:** Philadelphia Story?

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, Philadelphia Story. Katharine Hepburn, Cary Grant, Jimmy Stewart, 1940. You guys are kind of knocking these out of the park, kind of knocking them out of the park.

**Male Speaker:** We're going to do better than 9 out of 12 here. Oh, yeah, we got nothing better do on weekends except watch movies?

**Male Speaker:** Oh my gosh, this is incredible This is really sort of gives us a sense for how much time has gone by in the history of this country.

**Male Speaker:** Oh.

**Male Speaker:** Bonus question for that one, Philadelphia Story, "What's the name of the remake? And who plays the characters, Tracy and Dex?"

**Male Speaker:** Let me see, well, Grace Kelly was in it.

**Male Speaker:** Right. With?

**Male Speaker:** With... was it... was Frank Sinatra in there?

**Male Speaker:** Nope.

**Male Speaker:** Wasn't Frank... let me think who else?

**Male Speaker:** I was trying to do my best impersonation of this person.

**Male Speaker:** Was it...

**Male Speaker:** Which movie was that?

**Male Speaker:** Cary Grant?

**Male Speaker:** The remake.

**Male Speaker:** The remake.

**Male Speaker:** Samson's in the title?

**Male Speaker:** Jimmy Stewart?

**Male Speaker:** Wasn't... Jimmy Stewart was actually in the 1940s.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, this is in the first one.

**Male Speaker:** This is in 1957. It's a remake. It starred Grace Kelly, one of the most beautiful human beings ever lived.

**Male Speaker:** Yes, indeed, she was.

**Male Speaker:** And Bing Crosby.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, Bing Crosby, yes.

**Male Speaker:** But what was the name of the movie? It had nothing to do with Philadelphia.

**Male Speaker:** It's not High Society?

**Male Speaker:** High Society. Yeah, there we go.

**Male Speaker:** Well done.

**Male Speaker:** Very, very good. I was looking at the questions previously and I'm like, "I thought that was supposed to be a city thing," you know what I mean? It's like, "What am I missing here?"

"Our unsuccessful vacuum cleaner salesman is recruited by the British Secret Service to set up a spy network. Eventually, he realizes the government's enemies are out to kill him." Dun, dun, dun. 1959, 1959.

**Male Speaker:** From London?

**Male Speaker:** Nope, nope.

**Male Speaker:** Vacuum cleaner salesman?

**Male Speaker:** By the British Secret Service. It's like the old school version of The Kingman or something. But listen to this these names though, this... I want to see this movie tonight. Maureen O'Hara, Burl Ives, and Alec Guinness in... it has a city in the title. No ideas.

**Male Speaker:** No.

**Male Speaker:** Not a clue.

**Male Speaker:** Not a clue.

**Male Speaker:** This is crazy. This is crazy. So, I mean, I'll give you the city and we'll give it one shot to see if you can figure out.

**Male Speaker:** Alright.

**Male Speaker:** The city is Havana. It's in the title.

**Male Speaker:** Our Man in Havana.

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**Male Speaker:** Wasn't that Graham Greene novel?

**Male Speaker:** I think it...

**Male Speaker:** I think it was, yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Actually, that's right.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, Maureen O'Hara.

**Male Speaker:** Our Man in Havana.

**Male Speaker:** Alec Guinness just...

**Male Speaker:** He shows up in everything.

**Male Speaker:** He does. He really does. Absolutely.

**Male Speaker:** Wasn't he like, right... right behind like Christopher Lee in regards to how many movies they started in?

**Male Speaker:** Right, right. Wow. And then they well indirectly started Star Wars quote unquote true...

**Male Speaker:** But the Bridge over a River Kwai, I mean, he was just totally memorable in that one.

**Male Speaker:** Absolutely. Last one here, and frankly we've already, like I said, knocked it out of the park. It took some clues and everything, but we were able to do this. It's beautiful. "A pro basketball team is hopeless. But maybe with the help of an astrologer who tells them all their players have to be Pisces, they can become winners."

**Male Speaker:** The Fish that Saved Pittsburgh.

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**Male Speaker:** Dave knew it too. We're looking at each other giving clues.

**Male Speaker:** It's a Pittsburgh one.

**Male Speaker:** Now let me... let me... I want to do this for the listeners and the panel's sake. I'm going to read the names of the actors listed...

**Male Speaker:** Oh no.

**Male Speaker:** ... here for Our Man in Havana, which I've never heard of before, but like, wow, Maureen O'Hara, Burl Ives, Alec Guinness. Now, Stockard Channing, Trulia Serving, Jonathan Winters. It's like just the other side of the number line. You know what I mean? Like...

**Male Speaker:** Stockard Channing, the world's oldest teenager.

**Male Speaker:** Oh my gosh. 1979, 1979. And I love how there was a sparkle in Jason's eye when he reminded us all, The Fish that Saved Pittsburgh.

**Male Speaker:** Dave had been drawing a fish there too. So...

**Male Speaker:** I know, that was before we even had these questions. Oh my gosh.

**Male Speaker:** Besides, how can you not remember a movie after your town? You know? I mean...

**Male Speaker:** Let's do something laser focused for our last couple minutes here in ATP favorites. Dan's got us all thinking lent, thinking fish fry or fish bake, you know, if that's your thing.

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** Talk to us about your favorite kind of seafood that you'd like to order.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, scallops.

**Male Speaker:** Scallops?

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** What's with you, Jim?

**Male Speaker:** Definitely.

**Male Speaker:** You like them prepared a certain way, bacon wrapped?

**Male Speaker:** (unclear) [25:28], is very good.

**Male Speaker:** Oh wow.

**Male Speaker:** Very good yes.

**Male Speaker:** The large sea scallops...

**Male Speaker:** Yes.

**Male Speaker:** ... the size of half dollars?

**Male Speaker:** Yeah, nice, juicy scallops.

**Male Speaker:** It's like steak of the sea.

**Male Speaker:** How about everybody else? Dan's just look forward...

**Male Speaker:** Lobster.

**Male Speaker:** ... to the classic. Oh, you're still going to say lobster?

**Male Speaker:** Lobster, yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Okay. Thought you were just going to go for cod and French fries there.

**Male Speaker:** That's me.

**Male Speaker:** Oh.

**Male Speaker:** I'm next on that list, yeah.

**Male Speaker:** Okay.

**Male Speaker:** Fish and chips.

**Male Speaker:** Okay, so Lake perch.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, perch.

**Male Speaker:** Which definitely would be...

**Male Speaker:** We live in the state from Erie...

**Male Speaker:** ... from Erie, Pennsylvania.

**Male Speaker:** Oh.

**Male Speaker:** Which is the only place to get it.

**Male Speaker:** Okay, alright. Up north in Michigan, there's some pretty good perch.

**Male Speaker:** I bet there is.

**Male Speaker:** Yeah. How about you, Dave?

**Male Speaker:** See, I'm a lobster guy.

**Male Speaker:** Okay.

**Male Speaker:** I just remember, every time we fly out east, I got to come back for the big box of live lobster. It's got to be live. It can't be any of this frozen stuff either.

**Male Speaker:** So, how did... how do you come back with a box of live lobster?

**Male Speaker:** Yeah. How do you fly back with it?

**Male Speaker:** They pack it up for you.

**Male Speaker:** Oh really?

**Male Speaker:** You go to the dock and they'll pack it up for you, you know, and they'll...

**Male Speaker:** That seems cruel.

**Male Speaker:** It really does.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, it's delicious though.

**Male Speaker:** They don't need oxygen to fly.

**Male Speaker:** They're delicious.

**Male Speaker:** I'm sorry, the look on Dave's face like, "Cruel? Yes, but delicious."

**Male Speaker:** But delicious.

**Male Speaker:** Oh, poor lobster. I got to just say that I'm... I'm a fish and chips kind of guy and, you know, it's real easy to do it for yourself at home now. And I... I'm no like awesome, you know fish guy, but...

**Male Speaker:** You're no Scotty Simpson.

**Male Speaker:** I'm no Scotty Simpson. But getting a chunk of salmon and just drowning it in garlic and olive oil and throwing it on a wooden plank on the grill actually is...

**Male Speaker:** That's good, that's good.

**Male Speaker:** ... pretty, pretty satisfying...

**Male Speaker:** Wet down the cedar.

**Male Speaker:** ... I'll say, yeah. Oh, yeah, make sure you wet it down. Folks, I'm afraid it's time for us to say goodbye. Dave.

**Male Speaker:** See you.

**Male Speaker:** Jason.

**Male Speaker:** Word to your mother.

**Male Speaker:** Dan.

**Male Speaker:** Bye-bye.

**Male Speaker:** And Jim.

**Male Speaker:** Bye.

**Male Speaker:** Now these words.

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