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The University tower times ring in another session of Ask The professor, the show on which you match wits with University of Detroit Mercy professors in the unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host Matt Mio, let me introduce to you our panel for today: from the Department of retired it's Professor Jim Tubbs. How's it going, Jim.

Well, so far so good, didn't get enough done today but you know, there's still daylight left.

There is a little daylight left, but the time has come to move to fall. Professor Dave Chow from the Department of that little room in his house.

Pleasure to be here, as always.

As always, excellent. What are you sketching, we can't see, oh I'm filling out this sheet so Michael can get forms, mind you, um, I must warn Michael now it's about up to eight pounds worth of forms over the last couple of weeks. It'll be going a bit in the mail. Good. We saw The Dead Files on TV the other night and we thought of you.

Oh, was I on?

Oh, no, it wasn't you actually we we tuned in, and, and, with all due respect the show after you've seen a few episodes, it's pretty played. You can see what's coming. And I, unless they goes I don't want to wait until we see whether Dave's the sketch artist I'm like no we tuned in right at the moment they're gonna reveal the sketch artist, but it definitely wasn't you so.

Okay.

Professor Stephen Manning is here from the Department of retired. Well, Matt, are you doing good. I have sore arms because in the last week I've gotten a shingles vaccination. We had a flu shot. Wow, a bulk of my wings current. Yeah, good for you for getting the flu taken care of as early as you could. That was the funny thing is you know doctors don't have, I have my annual physical the doctor's office doesn't have it, but my rcbs everybody else does. So, the minor would get as

mine last year.

Mm hmm. No question and then my wife actually, considering we've been working from home, I think everybody knows she works up at Cranbrook. Cranbrook pings them on Wednesday said, if you want to stop by your old desk on Thursday, we're going to have flu shots, it was like, no more doughnuts in the break room, apparently. Everybody got a free flu shot kind of things.

Professor Beth Oljar from the Department of Philosophy, here's my trivia question of the day, even though I could have predicted this, what percentage of Americans surveyed as of last Monday, would not receive even a reportedly safe COVID-19 vaccine.

That's 42% is what I heard

I heard 25, but the number isn't zero, we can agree to that and it's disgusting. horrible. So there we go.

I mean, you know as soon as Fauci tells me it's okay, I'm good to go. And then, I'm not returning to campus until I have one.

That's right, absolutely right and if you really are not you but anybody is squirrely about it. We do have a Madonna testing site at the Henry Ford health system you can be a part of the initial trials for the current vaccine that they're trying out if you want to rush down there. It's not the Putin vaccine. Professor Heather Hill from English is here. Thanks for joining us, Heather. Oh, excellent. I did get a little gag cartoon the other day where the professor was staring at the microwave addressing his. I believe that one's been making the rounds like they're not responding to my question.

How do I mute myself.

I just made popcorn on my zoom meeting.

Multifunctional. I can teach a class and warm up my tea, and make fun of the same time,

Professor Mara Livezey from Chemistry and Biochemistry is here today.

I am here, and I was gonna respond by didn't want to interrupt anyone, that you weren't tapped out you were t dapt out.

Oh, geesh. There you go.

So yeah it looks like it was a tough day, a tough week, a tough month and all. Half a year and going.

Absolutely. There's good news though, you know no one else knows that I got a Q tip shoved up into my brain earlier this week, and I'm negative. Okay, I don't got the Rona,

So only one nostril.

Only one, thank goodness.

We were having a meeting with Chem Club leadership and Professor Livezey was in the passenger side of a car going to get the test. screen goes dark, her square's still there, she comes back with this most severe face I've ever seen you have before. She goes, I not going to do that again.

Have all of you guys been tested.

I have never been tested, although I did find something out the other day which is huge. I don't know whether it's the same across the country, but it's not, if you donate blood. You will automatically get the antibody test and they'll report the results to you free. Yes, I did three weeks ago. Yeah, they don't have the antibodies. Oh, there you go. There you go. So it's that's important knowledge and it's basically free, I would trust the antibody tests more than the Polish lobotomy but that's just me.

No, you can get the back off, man I'm a scientist on a T shirt.

I think that would be fun, probably one of my favorite movies of all time. Oh, for sure. Books. This is a program you could send us questions regarding anything. it's been a while since we've had a good Ghostbuster set of questions. If you stump the panel you receive a prize. you can send us the questions in a number of ways it, email us at ATP at UD mercy.edu you can reach us on Facebook or Instagram or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play ask the professor at University of Detroit Mercy. If you really want to listen to your smart speaker, you can read. Thank you made this month so consumer reports that says, These are the key phrases that mislead, most of the smart speakers in your homes, and then they will tell you how much of your regular daily conversation is being recorded by these devices and going out into big data, so that's great. All right, we have a set of questions here sent in by anon emails. And this is relatively straightforward stuff. Okay, what we're going to do is we're going to try to find two rhyming words that answer the question that's asked okay so I have an example right example is rabbit fur. And you would say, Oh, hair. Okay. Oh,

oh,

man, with the sprayer.

Dude spewed

bro's hose.

That's a good one.

This is a, I did not know it was gonna be this good. That's all yeah man with a sprayer is listed here as a Mr. Mr.

The words have to be the same.

Um, they don't necessarily have to sometimes they are homophones so okay

oh okay I thought they were supposed to rhyme. Okay. Yeah. How about

deer. on the dollar bill that's pretty straightforward. Don't Don't forget about. It's fun. All right. How about a naked Grizzly Bear Bear Bear. There we go. Now we're in business, I live I actually

got you guys all set it for

about flying mammals,

stick a bat bat

bat bat. Yeah. How many flying mammals are there. Um, I am squirrel. Does the Flying Squirrel fly blind, they don't fly. It's just me, that's just lucky

lucky lucky.

It's true. And it's true. I love it when you call me clever,

How about, we're going to the high level stuff here now an improved Gambler. A better better.

better, better. Yes, that is right. How about an entire opening.

A whole hole.

oh we're getting into the groove now. Oh, a very good monetary punishment.

Fine, fine,

a fine fine yes it's a fine fine. And last but most certainly not least, playing cards on a porch.

Deck deck.

You're all completely on fire well we need to do is we need to go to the higher levels of verbal mastery here this one will be a little bit tougher a little bit tougher. Find a word that's related to both words. So an example would be the two key words would be left and wine. And you'd say port. That means both left out. Wow. Say left out. I'm just putting these down right now. I don't know what you all think of me in the world of game shows, I can watch Jeopardy maybe get it 10 15% of those questions right. I cannot see, for whatever reason, the way this works. Wheel of Fortune, it can be missing one letter and I'm like, I can't think that way it's just not the way that my brain works. So these questions, I, I'm gonna have to quadruple check myself seriously. Oh, do we always sit. Okay. Yeah, it's it's there's something about stuff like that. So here are your two keywords you're trying to find one word that connects both of them together. Okay. Right, as in WRI te tree.

aper. No

doubting right down. Right.

He said writes and tree. Well you have to write on paper and paper comes from trees

Well, there's no question that that is or set. However, the correct response they have written here is log.

Ah, Oh, tricky. These are too hard.

I give up, and so it's things that could be

related to both of them but not necessarily related to both of them. That's fair. Let's do, no pun intended here, a softball, how about baseball cake

Better batter,

yes better batter is the word we're looking for. That was a sacrifice.

It could be played

me,

Heather came up with a possible alternate Jim came up with the passive alternate. How about feline poker.

These are tough. can people help us out.

Kitty, kitty

Ah, oh, Susan King poker.

That's not bad.

I knew I could make that lead. How about wood. And it's another common word plod like you're walking slowly PLOD wood and plod

lumber lumber nice.

How about money, river

bank. Yep.

I like flow.

I liked it though. Yeah. Oh, cash flow. Yeah.

How about metal, as an M et al. And press, iron, iron is the word required. Oh that's very good, very, very good. Excellent. He on the periodic table right. Yes, yes. How about color. Abandon

while

you

color. It's a color word that means to abandon someone die of an actual color. Leave number. I believe that officially this word of the color is the official, one of the two colors of the University of Chicago, if I remember correctly,

that is not helpful.

Blue. I thought that maybe I heard it, but the answer, they're looking for is Maroon Maroon.

Ah.

All right. How about canal key

lock lock lock. Oh, nice.

Okay, nice. One more of these and frankly you've done absolutely fantastic. How about we say, awesome space. All can

dive down,

cinnamon, nutmeg.

No, it says here, autumn spice is season is the word we're looking.

Ah, so obvious

here and of course right those, those are awesome. Those are close and yet so far

(ATP Election Flashback)

Well, we've got a short set of questions sent in by a listener let's tackle those as well, shall we. Dear panelists in the past I know I've sent a list of topical questions but this time. I've chosen a topic that could prove challenging. We'll see. Below is a list of 15 car names. So model names of cars, it'll be up to the pros to come up with the manufacturer. This list is a little different than the ones I've done in the past, I've heard different car manufacturers so this is a list of 2021 models. So models that are going to be released next year. Oh, I was inspired to come up with this list, when I went new car shopping recently and realize there are so many new nameplates out. Rest assured, I was not so cool as to challenge the pros with cars that are just some quizzical conglomeration of numbers like BMW puts together. Oh, the five series. Right, exactly. Thanks again your loyal fan Amber Hubley of San Diego California we're praying for you, Amber, I promise. I hope your weather improves soon. There definitely are some here that I think they recognize because we've seen advertisements, so the promaster what brand is promaster?

Ram Trucks.

It's ram yeah that's Ram. Mm hmm. That's right. Ram which is no longer Dodge Ram it's just Ram. It was just Ram. So very interesting name for a car sometimes I wonder. This one is going to be called the kicks, not just kick kicks plural. Nissan. It is Nissan that's right absolutely see nothing like something nice. That's awesome. How about the Venza V and z, that also sounds. It's true that

it's Toyota Yeah, it's Toyota, that's been out before

me. The person to. I believe that this one has been out in previous model years too How about Colorado Chevy truck. See truck. It's a Chevy yeah it's a semi truck. And this is really going back if it was the 50s, I think we would see more of these around our 60s Pardon me. Of course there is going to be a new model for what brand called soul. I'm in the, in the 50s. This time it's being released by Ford Ford's

luxury brand. Lincoln, the Lincoln. Forgot there's no more mercury dug on it. That's right. No that's absolutely right, who makes the Outlander that's actually fairly well no, it's Mitsubishi, although I thought Jeep to have their because I think it's one of those you know rugged, like the canyon arrow up there, we kind of got, I'm not gonna even go there. I can even go there smells like a steak that car.

How about the Enclave

Buick. I love how everybody jumps on. They must have more than five or something like that. It's been a long time. Yeah, who came out the same time was the Aztek oh yeah well it looked better than they asked, How about clarity, clarity, as in, you know, clear, quality. I just read the questions. Very.

Hmm Lexus

No way, that is that is that the was it's, it's a hybrid. Oh, Honda Honda, it's 100. Oh, a Honda clarity, just a couple more of these very very a well known name, maybe not the best well known manufacturers spider will be a model for 21 from who spider core Porsche.

Nine Corvette man Porsche. Oh this Riker

right. Yeah, no, it's yeah

yeah it's a Fiat mom. Absolutely. And last but most certainly not least, I'll spell it AR t o n. The arteon.

archaeon rT m. is an American or not.

Um, I, that's a good question. I'm not saying that it says a traditionally German manufacturer or its VW buff guy looks Boggan Yes, the arteon, some of those.

Yeah, some of those names are really interesting.

who's taking the clarity, out this weekend. I mean it's like acne medicine. archaeon. Yeah, exactly. Oh my god. Yeah, that's like that. Was it the Chevy billboard couple years ago nobody writes songs about VW, or whatever. Would you like to take the spider out tonight. Come on. You can't let that reference go by without that old 90s commercial, where the man is pointing at his wife in court saying she was out all night with the Grand Marquis and there's just a guy in a powdered weight going like, okay, Prof. Let's go to our, our list of favorites here remember Frank burrows and his family came up with this on that list. It seems as though we've been tapping these forever. These go on for, for some time, let me tell you. Wow. Okay. Ooh, here's a nice one because pretty much everything we talked about comes back to food. What is your favorite thing to eat for breakfast.

Oh.

Check that out. Sausage biscuits are really good.

Yeah, you know, a breakfast sandwich, at the right time, just can't be beat. I have to go with you though Beth.

I can. That's really thick chicken, almond biscuit. That's really good to work with some butter or some cheese. Yeah.

How about grits?

Yes, well, like the good southerner that you are my dear.

I did have a he's just coming up a lot lately my middle son, again, just 12 years old, Enzo asked me the other day Dad, what's a hot cake. And I said, well, it's a pancake. Like, why does it have a different name I'm like I don't know flapjack pancake. It's all the same stuff.

And I could go on forever on the favorites.

I like bacon right. I very rarely got McDonald's breakfast, but when he said hotcake, I immediately thought of those disturbing styrofoam things that they used to come in and how you would cut them and it would squeak. Yeah, the syrup, and it's like it all came flooding back to me.

I'm gonna go breakfast burrito here.

There we go. Yeah, that's a way to bring it all together. I'm gonna guess I'm gonna snap it up a bit. How's about bagels Nova lox and capers

Nova lox.

Wow that's spectacular. Wonderful that's about 25 different breakfast.

Doesn't matter.

The huevos rancheros there. Yeah, that's good. Isn't that a Chevy truck. Oh, probably, you know, a way was ranch I was at toast right

with that sourdough bread from

the Crust Bakery in Fenton

from crest bakery Yeah,

and ABS brakes, can't get over that crust, um, what am I thinking here the bread, mixed with butter and then you buy their bread on top of it. I just. I've never been more excited about toast in my entire life that's all I got. So you know, um we saved a little bit of time here at the end. Because if you can believe after Dave's comment there we actually got to the end of the list of the favorites that Frank Burroughs and believe it. Yeah, we will we're going to do is we're going to transition over to something else that Frank sent us a number of weeks ago, what our least favorite No, no, no, no. Most Hated. I'm glad those favorite topics were sent in were used we had a lot of fun coming up with them almost as much fun as coming up with the trivia. We think open ended questions like that give the listeners a better insight into how you professors think,

oh, you're a true

yes I'll eat.

When we eat, so.

Yeah. Frank says a following those favorite topics Our family has decided to come up with a dozen more probing questions to make the professor's think again no wrong answers here but fun, the less legitimate trivia questions will be on their way sometime soon but for now this is what we came up with. All right, so this is a different take on a popular question that's been asked before but if Hollywood were to make a film about your life. What actor or actress in the opposite gender would you choose to portray you

What was that Stephen.

Nicole Kidman

yeah Nicole Kidman taken care of. Wow, that was really fast, actually.

Sorry, maybe too fast. Yeah.

I'm kind of a Seymour Hoffman,

Michelle Yeoh with, with a goatee just isn't gonna cut it though is it. Cool. Show you always cool though. Every. I would say somebody. Oh, of course that's a that's a nice

say leelee Sobieski

i'm not i was gonna go Jennifer Lawrence, but I mean when you're looking at like height and everything you get. I'll go leelee Sobieski who cares,

Sandra Bullock.

Ah, Sandra Bullock. classic.

And when I go, Jake Gyllenhaal. He's cute.

Last summer, oh he's supposed to be maybe somebody, you know, physically attractive.

And then just go for Clint Howard. Do you know i mean it's a personality more than, yeah,

than Franklin gela I mean that would. Ooh, that's pretty good I like that a lot. He was great and I killer luck and and frost Nixon I thought he made a wonderful, he did,

did not see that yet but it's somewhere on the streaming list I think it was good. I'm afraid the professor's in the panel that that's all the time we have for today. So, the time has come for us to say goodbye. Mara.

Good bye.

Heather -

Nicole Kidman,

Stephen.

I knew that was a mistake.

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