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Beth Oljar, Jeffe Boats, Michael Jayson, Dan Maggio, Mara Livezey, Brian, Matt Mio, Dave Chow, Professors

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- M** Michael Jayson 00:02
The University of Detroit Mercy presents another brand new episode of Ask The Professor. Today's program was recorded using Zoom video conferencing technology.
- M** Matt Mio 00:21
The University tower chimes ringing another session of Ask The Professor, the show on 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. From where I'm sitting, he's on my left. It's Professor Jeffe Boats.
- J** Jeffe Boats 00:40
Hey, howdy, buckaroos.
- M** Matt Mio 00:41
What's going on?

- J** Jeffe Boats 00:42
I just want to point out that today's episode number is a prime. Gotta throw it out there.
- M** Matt Mio 00:48
Wow. Great. 2131.
- J** Jeffe Boats 00:51
Four digit primes, gotta love them.
- M** Matt Mio 00:53
Gotta love them. We were just talking about 31 on the last show, is like what a dumb number is 31.
- D** Dan Maggio 01:01
So, did you just happen to know or did you check it out? Just out of curiosity?
- J** Jeffe Boats 01:04
I checked it out in my head the last minute or so before we started. No, what I meant was, I just did it in my head in like seconds. No, it takes me minutes.
- M** Matt Mio 01:14
Jeff, is there anything about your research upbringing or current research interests that involves primes?
- J** Jeffe Boats 01:20
No. I'm just a geek. It's just one of those things. You know, you're a math guy. You just sort of have an affinity for -
- D** Dave Chow 01:25
It's your nerd superpower. That's all. We all have one.



Jeffe Boats 01:29

Yep.



Matt Mio 01:29

That's cool. Totally cool. Someone who has so many nerd superpowers I can't even begin to list them all is Professor Beth Oljar.



Beth Oljar 01:40

I have nerd superpowers?



Matt Mio 01:43

Yes. When it connects back to office equipment, you know it?



Beth Oljar 01:48

Okay.



Dave Chow 01:49

When it comes to eating brains, no one's better?



Beth Oljar 01:52

Office supplies really are the best reason to be a professor, because then you have to buy them all the time. It's great.



Matt Mio 02:00

And let me tell you Beth, in a non back-to-school, because I had to go buy like a printer cartridge, um, in a non back-to-school environment during a pandemic, Staples is the place to be. Man, there was nobody there.



Beth Oljar 02:15

Ah...



Dave Chow 02:16

The one in Clawson?



Beth Oljar 02:19

I got a really cool stapler for Christmas, and it holds things of staples in it. It has storage for staples in the stapler and a little built in staple remover. So I just thought that was pretty cool.



Matt Mio 02:32

Beth, What color was the stapler?



Beth Oljar 02:34

I think it's purple. Yeah.



Matt Mio 02:37

Nice. I was getting just for a second a little office space five, you know, the red stapler. It's his favorite stapler and everything but yeah, I get it, purple's good. No purple's good, it stands out.



Beth Oljar 02:49

I have logic geek powers.



Matt Mio 02:52

Yes, absolutely, you do. Absolutely, you do. And that's why, in the year 2021, you're angry all the time. Because no one knows how to be rational, I mean. (laughter)



Beth Oljar 03:06

Yeah, we were talking about that in class this morning. I'm like, "Guys, can we kind of run into problems, do you think, when we can't agree on what things are facts and what are not? Didn't that just cause us some fairly serious problems not too long ago?" They agreed, so my plan to work their fragile little minds is well on its way.

M Matt Mio 03:32
Oh, my. I think fresh out of manipulating some fragile little minds is Professor Mara Livezey. Did you just come from lab, Mara?

M Mara Livezey 03:41
I actually just came from my fragile little mind being manipulated.

M Matt Mio 03:45
Oh, okay.

D Dan Maggio 03:47
Did you have to feed the cats again?

M Matt Mio 03:48
Jupiter's feeding time.

M Mara Livezey 03:50
It was a meeting about mission and faculty life.

M Matt Mio 03:53
Oh, that's right, I saw that advertised. How'd that go?

M Mara Livezey 03:57
It was very interesting.

D Dan Maggio 04:00
Tell us.

D Dave Chow 04:01
Yeah, yeah. Quit with the tease,



Beth Oljar 04:03

Go on.



Dave Chow 04:04

Yes.



Dan Maggio 04:05

Go on. Yes.



Mara Livezey 04:08

We all basically have different ideas about what mission means and service and how to implement it and how to integrate it.



Matt Mio 04:18

That's alright.



Jeff Boats 04:19

Would it be anything to do with these terms not having clear definitions?



Mara Livezey 04:23

Correct, and them not being clearly outlined in expectations...



Dave Chow 04:28

So, are they gonna...like... I just keep on picturing you be like dropped through a skylight on on wires or something like that for your mission or something like that. I mean, it's just like...



Mara Livezey 04:37

That is what I wrote in my annual report last year, but I need something new this year.

- D** Dave Chow 04:42
I'm stealing gems and jewels for the University. That's all... that's good, I like that.
- M** Matt Mio 04:47
Well, Mara, I'm going to give the University a break on this one. It's only been around for about 142 years, and they just really haven't gotten around to defining these terms yet. Give it a little more time, we should be fine.
- M** Mara Livezey 05:00
I get it. Another 140.
- M** Matt Mio 05:03
Professor Dan Maggio, um, Dan, to me, it looks like you've got something else cooking. You're kind of like looking down the end of your nose, as if you're in front of like a flight simulator's worth of monitors or something.
- D** Dan Maggio 05:16
I have a second monitor next to me. So, do you ever get an email and then three days later, you can't find the email? Then you are desperate to track it down and you spend all day looking for it?
- D** Dave Chow 05:29
Yes
- D** Dan Maggio 05:29
That's been my day. I am convinced that I saw something come before my eyes a couple days ago, and I can't for the life of me find it.
- B** Beth Oljar 05:37
Oh, dear.

D Dan Maggio 05:39
I'm doing great. Other than that, I'm doing great.

M Matt Mio 05:41
Oh, good. Excellent. Enjoying the sunshine and looking under rocks for emails. Yeah, I was gonna make some sort of quip that wasn't too far from the truth that what you just described happens to me at least every one to two days. That's not - That's pandemic brain right there. There's nothing you can do about that, Dan.

B Beth Oljar 06:01
Some of us had that happened before the pandemic.

D Dave Chow 06:03
Yeah, I was just about to say, before, during, and after the pandemic. It'll still happen, so...

B Beth Oljar 06:08
A list of things we can blame on the pandemic seems to be endless. And that's fine. I have no problem with that.

D Dave Chow 06:13
I'm still blaming half of mine on the Spanish Flu. So, I mean...

M Matt Mio 06:33
And of course, that person who is a good solid 103 years behind, it's Professor Dave Chow.

D Dave Chow 06:33
Pleasure to be here as always.

M Matt Mio 06:34
I mean, there was the bit from a few weeks ago with Dr. Fauci, where the the news reporter, who I would assume at some level is a learned and educated person, couldn't

comprehend Dr. Fauci when asking him, "Well, whatever happened to the Spanish flu?" And just very matter of factly, Dr. Fauci was like, "Well, it never went away. Some flu that we get every year is Spanish flu". And it looked like the reporter's head had been chopped off and kicked down the street... "Really?" He's like "Yeah, it becomes a part of us. That's the way epidemiology works." Just pretty fascinating here.

D Dave Chow 07:05
Yeah.

B Beth Oljar 07:05
The body produces antibodies, but then the flu shifts antigens, and you don't have antibodies against that version, which is why we have to live with it.

M Matt Mio 07:12
That's right, that's exactly right. So anyway, yeah, I mean, I look forward to hearing about how these Coronavirus vaccines, which I'm anxious to get mine, of course, but it looks like they have about a three or four month efficacy. So we're, we're probably going to be adding that to the old booster lists.

D Dave Chow 07:13
It's a lovely little war within our own bodies. That's all, so -

D Dave Chow 07:33
Speaking of which, Matt, has your son gotten his shot yet?

J Jeffe Boats 07:36
No, but he's on the shortlist. You know, I'm impressed by the fact that Macomb County, for some reason, has all these extra injections; and Oakland County, for the same reason doesn't really have a lot to go around?

D Dave Chow 07:51
I heard somewhere that they actually had two, what was it, those frozen units or whatever for storing vaccine over there too. I'm like, why'd they get it? So I don't know.

M Matt Mio 07:59
Hey, we have a visitor in Mara's frame there. But, before we go any further about vaccination, I like to say this is a program where 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, you'd send us the questions in a number of ways you can email us at atp@udmercy.edu, find us on Facebook and Instagram or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play Ask The Professor at University of Detroit Mercy. Okay, we've got some questions! "Hello, profs. "

P Professors 08:31
Hello. Hello.

M Matt Mio 08:31
"Recently, you were doing a show, and you were asking about nicknames. I thought I would turn to the world of music. For these questions, you need to name the musical artists known by these nicknames. Hopefully this is easy." So 80% is passing. See, the last show 80% was like way up there. And now it's like, "Eh, this should be nothing." All right, Let's crack our knuckles on a few easy ones here.

D Dave Chow 08:33
Who are these from?

M Matt Mio 08:59
Oh, I'm sorry. This is Brian Stoll of Elmira, New York. Thanks for sending these in Brian.

B Beth Oljar 09:07
Mhmmm.

M Matt Mio 09:07
All right. Who's the King of Pop?

P Professors 09:09
Michael Jackson?

M Matt Mio 09:10
Mmm Hmm. All right.

P Professors 09:10
Was..

P Professors 09:10
Yeah, right. It is was.

D Dave Chow 09:14
Yeah, it is was. He's abdicated the throne.

D Dan Maggio 09:17
Where's Heather, when you need her?

M Matt Mio 09:19
I saw that actually. The other day, Dan. Someone was very precise in their response on Jeopardy by using the "was" for someone who asked. I was like, holy smokes, that's that's hardcore. Who is known as the Man in Black?

D Dave Chow 09:34
Johnny Cash?

M Matt Mio 09:35
Johnny Cash.

D Dave Chow 09:36

or... Jeffe Boats?

- M** Matt Mio 09:37
Or Jeff Boates? Yeah. Yeah. AKA the void - the black hole? We're going to go a little bit tougher as time goes on here. Who's the Prince of Darkness?
- D** Dave Chow 09:48
Ozzy Osborne?
- M** Matt Mio 09:49
Yeah. Ozzy Osborne, Sure, I mean, I also would have accepted Satan.
- B** Beth Oljar 09:57
Bite the heads off birds, you know...
- D** Dave Chow 10:00
Yeah,
- M** Matt Mio 10:01
Who's The Boss?
- P** Professors 10:02
Bruce, Bruuce!
- B** Beth Oljar 10:04
I just read about how he got that nickname by the way.
- M** Matt Mio 10:08
What's that Beth?

- B** Beth Oljar 10:09
Well, when they were playing clubs, Bruce would basically get the fee and then distribute it to the rest of the members of the band. So, they started calling him The Boss. You know, as in you need to see the boss, if you don't have your money yet, or, you know, something like that.
- D** Dave Chow 10:27
So, yeah, that's good. You know, at least he was reputable and you know, trustworthy, so somebody's got to handle it.
- M** Matt Mio 10:33
I thought that he was the first act that played the televised concert on Inauguration Day from the foot of the Lincoln Memorial. It was very stark to hear just, you know, solo guitar and voice, nobody else around but the crew, but I'm sorry, it's just the way I'm programmed. Like he's finishing this extremely moving song. And the camera just sort of pans a little bit. And Tom Hanks is standing there, like, cause that happens all the time at the Lincoln Memorial..
- D** Dave Chow 11:02
And there's like, was it... What's, what's that one character that, what, you know, that David S Pumpkins or whatever that he does?
- D** Dan Maggio 11:10
SNL skit
- B** Beth Oljar 11:11
It's really good. Yeah.
- M** Matt Mio 11:13
I thought that pretty much the entire evening was was rock solid. It was it was entertaining for sure. Absolutely. Here's sort of a no brainer. The King of Rock and Roll.



Beth Oljar 11:25
Elvis!



Matt Mio 11:26
Elvis was a hero to most.



Dave Chow 11:30
My dad hated him! I don't know why. I mean, it's like, you know, it's like, he just didn't get into him. I'm like,



Matt Mio 11:38
It's okay.



Beth Oljar 11:39
I'm a Beatles girl, and Drew's an Elvis man, and we ended up getting married. So you know, it seems to have worked out. Is it possible your dad is just more of a Beatles person?



Dave Chow 11:48
I don't know. I remember he used to have it in the jukebox in his coffee shop. Whenever anybody would drop a nickel in to play it... I found this out... They actually had a kill switch behind the cash register, and he would just flip the kill switch and give you back your nickel because he hated Elvis that much.



Matt Mio 12:05
Wow!



Mara Livezey 12:06
You know, I've always been more partial to Roy Orbison.



Dave Chow 12:10
Amen to that!

M Matt Mio 12:14
Sure,

D Dave Chow 12:14
Good call.

M Matt Mio 12:14
How about the fact that James Brown, the late great, James Brown actually had two prominent nicknames in showbusiness.

J Jeffe Boats 12:24
Well, The King of Soul.

M Matt Mio 12:25
Mm Hmm.. He was -

B Beth Oljar 12:27
The Godfather of -

D Dave Chow 12:27
The Godfather of Soul.

M Matt Mio 12:29
He was also known as, because of his sweating mostly,

J Jeffe Boats 12:34
Oh, it's on the tip of my tongue. I know this one.

J Jeffe Boats 12:35
Oh, I can't place it. It's on the tip of my tongue. I know this one.

M Matt Mio 12:37
Wait, wait...don't tell me.

M Matt Mio 12:38
They called him, if you remember, he would collapse on the stage in a pool of sweat and someone would come and wrap him up and sort of cradle him off the stage. He was "the hardest working man in showbusiness."

D Dave Chow 12:47
Ah...Okay, okay. Cradle him up. I'm thinking he's an egg roll?

B Beth Oljar 12:54
When I'm back on campus. I'm gonna start saying I'm the hardest working Professor at UDM.

D Dave Chow 13:02
Careful, Beth, you'll get a challenge and then watch.

B Beth Oljar 13:04
Melt in my own sweat right in front of you.

M Matt Mio 13:08
Oh, How about somebody who got named after one of his very first big hits? Who's The Piano Man?

P Professors 13:16
Billy Joel.

M Matt Mio 13:17
Hmm. And just for Beth, the Fab Four. I think we know that one.



Beth Oljar 13:22

The Beatles. Be-at-les.



Matt Mio 13:23

The Beatles. This is a good one, though. I mean, I've heard this before, but I've never heard the background story. So, I'm glad that you included it, Brian. Who was nicknamed the Lizard King?



Jeffe Boats 13:37

Jim Morrison.



Dave Chow 13:37

Yeah, Jim Morrison, The Doors.



Matt Mio 13:39

Yes. So it says -



Jeffe Boats 13:39

It's from one of his poems.



Matt Mio 13:41

Yeah, he wrote a poem called, "Celebration of the Lizard," that first appeared in the sleeve of The Doors album, "Waiting for the Sun". The poem contained the line, "I am the Lizard King, I can do anything". Fans thought Morrison was referring to himself instead of another persona, whom Morrison created as the fictional author, so the nickname stuck. There you go.



Beth Oljar 14:01

It works.



Professors 14:02

Mm-hmm. Who's the Material Girl? At least -

- P** Professors 14:07
Madonna. (Laughter)
- M** Matt Mio 14:09
Everybody grumbles...
- D** Dave Chow 14:11
Well, when you think about it, I mean, she's kind of like...
- B** Beth Oljar 14:15
She's had her ups and downs, you know?
- D** Dave Chow 14:16
Yeah, I mean, she, she isn't exactly aging too gracefully. You know...I mean...
- M** Matt Mio 14:20
Not exactly.
- M** Mara Livezey 14:21
Never been a big fan of her music.
- J** Jeffe Boats 14:22
No...Whenever I hear her name now, I just imagine Robin Williams going "Madonna! Madonna!" From the Birdcage. You know. "Fosse, fosse, fosse."
- B** Beth Oljar 14:23
(Laughter) I remember that!

D Dave Chow 14:31
And didn't she have a famous feud with like Elton John too...

M Matt Mio 14:39
Yeah, I think that's true.

D Dave Chow 14:40
I think, vaguely -

B Beth Oljar 14:43
I thought she had a feud with Eminem.

D Dave Chow 14:45
That too!

J Jeffe Boats 14:46
But Eminem and Elton John patched things up.

M Michael Jayson 14:49
You're listening to a special edition of Ask The Professor in which each of the six professors participating in this recording session, were connecting to each other from different locations, thanks to Zoom video conferencing technology. We're grateful to those listeners who submitted questions for today's show, and we welcome your questions at atp@udmercy.edu. Now, let's return to our host Matt Mio with more questions for the panel.

M Matt Mio 15:17
We've got questions from Brian Stoll of Elmira, New York! You all have brought up Madonna, Eminem, and all these folks who are definitely tied to the great city of Detroit. How about one more? Who's The Queen of Soul?



Professors 15:33

Aretha Franklin.



Matt Mio 15:34

Aretha Franklin. Absolutely. Who is known as Old Blue Eyes?



Professors 15:40

Frank Sinatra.



Matt Mio 15:42

Sinatra.



Beth Oljar 15:44

Great voice.



Matt Mio 15:44

Lucky Number 13. I'm going to need some schooling on this one. I know these performers, but I've never heard them referred to as "The Glimmer Twins".



Dave Chow 15:55

Ah, Jan and Dean.



Jeffe Boats 15:59

Siegfried and Roy



Dave Chow 16:02

Those are the Glitter Twins, Jeffe!



Dan Maggio 16:04

That's a good answer.

- M** Mara Livezey 16:06
I've heard of this, but I don't know who it is.
- D** Dave Chow 16:08
Sonny and Cher?
- M** Matt Mio 16:09
Nope.
- B** Beth Oljar 16:11
Not Donny and Marie.
- M** Matt Mio 16:12
Nope. Two members of a - probably one of the top three or five rock bands of all time...
- B** Beth Oljar 16:19
Oh, Are they brothers?
- M** Mara Livezey 16:21
The Rolling Stones.
- D** Dave Chow 16:23
Oh, Mick Jagger
- M** Mara Livezey 16:25
Keith and Mick Jagger.
- M** Matt Mio 16:26
Yeah, that's right. Mick Jagger and Keith Richards, who adopted the nickname after a vacation cruise they took with their then-girlfriends. An older English couple on the ship

kept asking them who they were. They refused to reveal their identities. The woman reportedly kept asking, "Can you give us a glimmer?", as in - give us a hint? That amused them. So they said they were the "Glimmer Twins".

B Beth Oljar 16:52
Clever.

M Matt Mio 16:52
Yes. Very clever. Very, very clever. Now, Mick Jagger and Keith Richards would be the old english couple repeatedly asking the question on the cruise, just putting it out there. If it wasn't for the pandemic, I'd just like to point this out, they would still be touring. That's

D Dave Chow 17:08
Probably.

M Matt Mio 17:09
That's the only thing that would stop them.

P Professors 17:10
Well, Jim would also be on a cruise ship with them too. So -

M Matt Mio 17:12
Well, hat's true. That's true. They love that Danube cruise. They're on it all the time. How about the Thin White Duke?

J Jeffe Boats 17:22
David Bowie.

M Matt Mio 17:22
David Bowie. Who was referred to as the Coal Miner's Daughter?

P Professors 17:28
Loretta Lynn.

M Matt Mio 17:29
MmHm. Ooh, everybody knew that one. Holy smokes!

B Beth Oljar 17:32
All I could think of was Sissy Spacek.

D Dave Chow 17:33
Yeah. Good movie.

B Beth Oljar 17:34
Nope, That's the movie.

M Matt Mio 17:35
MmHm. How about Queen of Disco?

D Dave Chow 17:39
Donna Summer?

B Beth Oljar 17:40
Donna Summer.

M Matt Mio 17:40
Donna Summer.

B Beth Oljar 17:42
One of my favorite albums.



Dave Chow 17:42

God Rest Her Soul.



Matt Mio 17:44

Yeah. Yep. That was a great one. Little more modern on this one. Mr. 305. I would characterize this individual, just to be generous to the true artists out there, as more of a performer.



Professors 18:00

Weird Al Yankovic?



Matt Mio 18:01

A musician. No very, very recent stuff. Party music. Big time into living the life, has a bald head and very big.



Dan Maggio 18:10

Oh, that's me!



Matt Mio 18:11

Glasses.



Jeffe Boats 18:11

Pitbull?



Matt Mio 18:15

It's Pitbull. Yeah, you got Jeffe. Mr 305.



Dave Chow 18:19

I don't know, I think Dan gets that title.

- B** Beth Oljar 18:22
Otherwise known as Dan Maggio.
- M** Mara Livezey 18:23
He says it in all of his songs.
- M** Matt Mio 18:25
That's right.
- D** Dan Maggio 18:26
I actually know who that is, it makes me feel good because usually I don't.
- D** Dave Chow 18:31
I still think, Dan, you should just co opt it. I think it's you. You fit that bill better.
- M** Matt Mio 18:36
Dan, I bought your album.
- D** Dan Maggio 18:40
Well, you're the only one, so you better hold on to it, because it's gonna be valuable.
- M** Matt Mio 18:46
A couple more -
- D** Dave Chow 18:47
He bought it as a coaster though. That's the only problem.
- M** Matt Mio 18:49
Oh, how about the purple one?

P Professors 18:52
Prince?

M Matt Mio 18:53
Yes. One of my all-time favorite Bernie memes from last week, was Bernie emerging from the tub, with Prince and the purple water. I was like, that's where it's at right there. And last but most certainly not least. The "Queen Bee".

M Mara Livezey 19:09
Beyonce.

P Professors 19:10
Beyonce.

D Dan Maggio 19:11
Yes, absolutely.

B Beth Oljar 19:12
Fierce.

J Jeffe Boats 19:13
I was... I'm gonna say Brian... that we kind of annihilated your list. There was really only one we had trouble with. Those were awesome. Thanks for sending them in.

B Brian 19:21
Hold on, which one do we have a problem with?

M Matt Mio 19:23
Well, the one where Dan was... uh.. 305?

- J** Jeffe Boats 19:27
No, Jeff ended up getting that one.
- J** Jeffe Boats 19:29
Only from the description, I've never heard of his music.
- M** Matt Mio 19:31
Oh. (laughter)
- B** Beth Oljar 19:33
That was one I didn't know. I think the rest of them I knew all of them.
- M** Mara Livezey 19:37
Probably should have known that. It's like my generation.
- B** Beth Oljar 19:42
Well, I'm too old. So that's probably why I didn't know.
- M** Matt Mio 19:46
We're not going to stereotype you that way, Mara. You don't have to know all the stuff, you know.
- M** Mara Livezey 19:51
I prefer oldies, so...
- M** Matt Mio 19:53
Yeah, exactly. Like my son said, "The oldies, you know, the songs from 2009".
- B** Beth Oljar 20:01
Wow.



Dave Chow 20:02

Yeah, the post iPod era.



Beth Oljar 20:05

Our students don't know Motown which is just...frightening...



Matt Mio 20:10

Tragic! Tragic!



Professors 20:12

Yeah, I tried to work it in Beth. The other day because it was the 50 year anniversary of "What's going on?" Right? Being one of the most incredible albums ever recorded. And I tell the students all the time, there may have been others, but there certainly weren't ones as popular as "Mercy, Mercy Me" being one of the very first, sort of environmental justice, you know, songs ever recorded. And you have to listen to that song, you have to feel that, you know? Holy smokes!



Jeff Boats 20:40

Kids today, you know, they listen to music from the 50s or 60s, and it's almost as antiquated as the Star Spangled Banner to them.



Professors 20:47

Yes.



Dave Chow 20:48

It might as well be like Beethoven to us. I mean, to a certain degree. I mean,



Matt Mio 20:51

No, it's true.



Beth Oljar 20:52

Really, should they be allowed to go their lives without listening to Aretha sing, "Think"?

M Matt Mio 20:57
Seriously. Sit down and watch The Blues Brothers.

D Dave Chow 21:00
Well, I mean, yeah, you know, what is? I think for those of us in town, I think some people just take it for granted almost.

B Beth Oljar 21:01
Yeah. I suppose.

D Dave Chow 21:07
Which is a shame. You know, it really is a shame.

M Matt Mio 21:10
Well, I was inspired when, I mean, I couldn't have guessed when, "What's Going On?" was released. But I know for a fact that it was recorded in a studio, veritable feet from the campus where we teach every day, and it's such a point of pride to being one of the most important album, I wouldn't even call it a rock album, just an album in general. That, yeah, that made my day. But I can't bring that up in front of my students, I tell you that, they do not know who Marvin Gaye is, and that's a tragedy.

B Beth Oljar 21:36
One of the greatest voices of all time.

M Matt Mio 21:39
MmHm.

D Dave Chow 21:40
I loved his Detroit Lions story too. How he tried to play for them. Until they hit him. And

then, "That's it! I'm done!"

P Professors 21:46
laughter

M Matt Mio 21:47
I can't let this chance to go by... I was that annoying guy during my postdoc, while I was working mostly with undergraduates, where I was playing them a lot of Motown on purpose. Like today, we're going to study and I played "What's Going On?" And several weeks later, like the album came up again. And I'm like, oh, we're doing Marvin Gaye today, and one of these younger people mentioned "Is that the one where somebody shouts in the middle of the song, 'Save the Babies' ". I'm like, yes, that's exactly... you get partial credit for that. That's good.

B Beth Oljar 22:19
Laughter.

M Mara Livezey 22:22
That's the memorable part?

M Matt Mio 22:25
Okay, we've got... speaking of young people. This is pretty awesome, we have some trivia questions sent in by Detroit Mercy student Courtney Mather. This, if you can believe it, Professor Livezey, was due to your asking for Biochem students to send in questions for extra credit, and we love you for it.

B Beth Oljar 22:44
How much credit do you give them?

M Mara Livezey 22:45
Like - One point.



Beth Oljar 22:47

Oh, good, good.



Dave Chow 22:49

As Mara, is now giving out her own degrees.



Matt Mio 22:53

Go for it. Beth, let's see what your Logic students can come up with this semester. You know.



Beth Oljar 22:58

I don't have any Logic students.



Dan Maggio 22:59

You should give them one point for every question that they get, that we get stumped.



Matt Mio 23:02

Oh, that we get stumped?



Dave Chow 23:04

Oh, yeah.



Matt Mio 23:05

Well, this is a little bit all over the map, but I think she did that on purpose. What is Brad Pitt's real first name?



Mara Livezey 23:13

Bradford.



Dave Chow 23:17

Balfour.

- B** Beth Oljar 23:18
I'm guessing Brad is... well, I don't know...
- D** Dave Chow 23:20
Is that his middle name?
- M** Matt Mio 23:21
Same first name as the person who would become the monarch of the United Kingdom after Prince Charles.
- P** Professors 23:30
Ralph. Henry. William.
- M** Matt Mio 23:34
Yes. William. It's William. Yeah. William seems just very sort of blah.
- D** Dave Chow 23:40
Bill Pitt?
- B** Beth Oljar 23:45
Brad is better.
- D** Dave Chow 23:46
Yes. Much better.
- M** Matt Mio 23:48
I, actually, I was Jonesing on Bradfor there for a minute, Mara, that that's nice. How many Oscars has Leonardo DiCaprio actually won? He's been nominated many times. But, how

many has he won?

D Dan Maggio 23:59
One.

M Matt Mio 24:00
One.

D Dave Chow 24:01
For Wall Street?

B Beth Oljar 24:03
The Revenant? Because I remember thinking like...

D Dan Maggio 24:05
Possibly... Oh it was...

B Beth Oljar 24:08
I think so.

D Dave Chow 24:09
Was it?

M Mara Livezey 24:09
Yeah.

M Matt Mio 24:10
Yeah.

- B** Beth Oljar 24:11
Instead of for something that I liked better. Like... The Man in the Iron Mask!
- P** Professors 24:17
Right.
- D** Dave Chow 24:18
Yeah. Or... Who's Eating Gilbert Grape?!
- M** Matt Mio 24:22
What country was Madame Curie born in?
- P** Professors 24:27
Estonia. Georgia. It was Czecholovakia.
- B** Beth Oljar 24:29
Polish?
- M** Matt Mio 24:30
Yes, it was Poland.
- M** Mara Livezey 24:32
Yeah...
- M** Matt Mio 24:33
And the reason we have an element named polonium is because she goes, "I want to name the next element we discover after my homeland". So we have a Poland element.
- B** Beth Oljar 24:42
They have Copernicus, too, which is you know, as names in the history of science

go....Probably a pretty good one.

M Matt Mio 24:50

Yep. And I always have to point out that my colleague, Mark Benvenuto, was sitting on the consultation committee for the naming of that element. So, in some small way he influenced...because...boy oh boy, you'll have to hear him tell the story some other time. It came down to, I believe that the final element name is "coppernesium" to use the word Copernicus, but they also wanted Copernicum...and they were debating it...and I'm like, this is pretty high level stuff here.

D Dave Chow 25:18

So, theoretically, there's like a microscopic chance that it could have been like, "Matt Mionum?"

M Matt Mio 25:25

No, I don't think he was into the suggesting phase.

D Dave Chow 25:28

Darn! Okay, all right.

M Matt Mio 25:29

He didn't make the final call.

D Dave Chow 25:31

I wasn't sure if you stood a chance there. That's all. I was hoping.

M Matt Mio 25:35

What is the densest internal organ in the human body?

D Dave Chow 25:40

Enamel? On the teeth?

- B** Beth Oljar 25:42
Brain?
- M** Mara Livezey 25:46
Liver
- M** Matt Mio 25:47
Liver, it says it's the liver. Yeah. Bowhead whales. Bowhead. B-O-W-head whales, have the longest What? Of all mammals?
- J** Jeffe Boats 25:58
Oh, Match Game time?
- J** Jeffe Boats 26:00
Tongue, baleen?
- M** Mara Livezey 26:01
Skull?
- M** Matt Mio 26:02
It is not anatomical. Get that out of play.
- P** Professors 26:06
Lifespan.
- M** Matt Mio 26:07
It is the lifespan. Yeah, they're the longest living mammals. That's right. What is Julius Caesar's assassination date commonly referred to as?
- P** Professors 26:15

The Ides of March.

- M** Matt Mio 26:17
Ides of March. Beware the Ides of March.
- B** Beth Oljar 26:22
Et tu, Brute?
- M** Matt Mio 26:24
The middle, I believe from the Latin, right Beth? The middle is the Ides. So it was March 15th, in popular understanding? Yep.
- D** Dave Chow 26:31
It should have been the Ides of April. It would have been perfect for tax day.
- M** Matt Mio 26:36
Just a couple more here... Which Harry Potter character was described in the books as having a wild and tangled beard?
- J** Jeffe Boats 26:45
It's like Hagrid.
- M** Matt Mio 26:46
That's Hagrid. Yes. The half giant. I almost said the giant oh my gosh, what have I done?
- M** Mara Livezey 26:51
How could you?
- D** Dan Maggio 26:54
We don't really know a lot about his background from the movie, at least I don't know. Has

anybody read the books?



Matt Mio 26:59

I've read the books.



Dan Maggio 27:01

Did it go into his background in the books?



Beth Oljar 27:04

Well, we know he was a student at Hogwarts.



Jeffe Boats 27:07

I think it vaguely mentioned somewhere that one of his parents was human, I guess or something?



Mara Livezey 27:11

Yeah. His dad was human. Yeah. And his mom was a giantess.



Beth Oljar 27:16

But he got kicked out of Hogwarts because they thought he had set...



Mara Livezey 27:20

He'd opened the Chamber of Secrets...



Beth Oljar 27:22

...loose a giant spider...



Matt Mio 27:24

That's right.

- B** Beth Oljar 27:25
His wand was snapped and he was not allowed to...
- M** Matt Mio 27:28
That's right.
- D** Dave Chow 27:29
And he couldn't get an Air bnb because he didn't have anybody vouch for him either. So...
- B** Beth Oljar 27:32
Yeah, no doubt.
- M** Matt Mio 27:34
Oh, my Gosh. One more question, Professors, so we can finish Courtney's question set.
And I think you know this one, a gumbo and jumbalaya originate from what state?
- B** Beth Oljar 27:44
Louisiana,
- M** Matt Mio 27:45
Louisiana.
- D** Dave Chow 27:48
Sounds good for dinner tonight, too.
- M** Matt Mio 27:50
I'm afraid profs that the time has come to say goodbye. Dave.
- D** Dave Chow 27:55
See you!



Matt Mio 27:56

Dan.



Dan Maggio 27:57

Goodbye.



Matt Mio 27:58

Mara.



Mara Livezey 27:59

See you later.



Matt Mio 28:00

Beth



Beth Oljar 28:01

Bye!



Matt Mio 28:02

and Jeffe.



Jeffe Boats 28:03

Laissez les bons temps rouler.



Matt Mio 28:05

Now these words...



Michael Jayson 28:06

You can email ask the professor at atp@udmercy.edu. Or visit the Ask the professor Facebook page.



Matt Mio 28:16

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