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Beth Oljar, Stephen Manning, Announcer, Dan Maggio, Sigrid Streit, James Tubbs, Dave Chow, Heather Hill, Matt Mio

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- M** Matt Mio 00:03
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. There's a hook involved. I don't think it's a Candyman reference. It's Professor Jim Tubbs.
- J** James Tubbs 00:23
Hello.
- M** Matt Mio 00:26
I love how you kind of brandished it when I mentioned -
- D** Dan Maggio 00:32
Jim, Is that from when we took pictures down at the yacht club?



James Tubbs 00:32
Arghhh!



James Tubbs 00:35
Yes.



Matt Mio 00:36
Unbelievable.



James Tubbs 00:37
And I just remembered I had it, when we were discussing before, so - I thought it would add to the shoot.



Dave Chow 00:43
Ambience.



Matt Mio 00:43
We were having a very hearty discussion about pirates.



Matt Mio 00:47
Aye, me Hearties.



Matt Mio 00:47
I mean, pirate parties. Yes, exactly. That is pretty much - you were saying a few minutes ago, Jim about how someone said something to you that made your day. You can pretty much slam dunk that that made my day That was awesome. Um, in a decidedly less pirated scenario, we are being joined today by Professor Stephen Manning. I hear the cicadas chirping wildly as summer wanes down in Michigan.



Stephen Manning 01:18
Yep. Just a little bit more, than they disappear for 17 years. That's always amazing.

M Matt Mio 01:23
They are really really dumb. And I, for whatever reason, did not learn that until this last year, probably because of the Brood X p-r that was going on. Man, They just fly into stuff like they have no idea what they're doing.

D Dan Maggio 01:36
So not all the cicadas are on the same 17-year cycle. Next year, we'll see other cicadas, right? So -

M Matt Mio 01:44
Right.

D Dan Maggio 01:44
All right.

H Heather Hill 01:45
No, I don't know if that's true. I think it is every 17 years.

M Matt Mio 01:49
It is, except for there is more than 17 broods; so we do get them every year -

H Heather Hill 01:54
Oh!

M Matt Mio 01:55
It's just that they go to sleep for 17 years or whatever period -

D Dan Maggio 01:58
No.

- H** Heather Hill 01:58
Now I feel like a dumb chic-ada.
- D** Dave Chow 02:00
No.
- J** James Tubbs 02:02
You don't look like a dumb cicada.
- B** Beth Oljar 02:04
Oh, it's like the monster in Jeepers Creepers. Is that -
- M** Matt Mio 02:07
Oh, good call.
- D** Dan Maggio 02:08
That is a very scary movie, by the way. Thank you for bringing that up. And I'll let you know tonight at three o'clock in the morning how -
- D** Dave Chow 02:15
You couldn't sleep. Right?
- D** Dan Maggio 02:17
it impacted my - Yeah, that movie is very scary.
- B** Beth Oljar 02:20
So the original Candy Man.
- M** Matt Mio 02:22
Yes. So I'm gonna go on a limb and introduce Professor Dan Maggio as not a fan,

specifically maybe of just modern horror or what?

- D** Dan Maggio 02:31
I don't mind horror movies, but there are some movies that just scare the heck out of me. And Jeepers Creepers is one of those movies. And also, uh - "It"
- D** Dave Chow 02:41
Oh, yeah.
- D** Dan Maggio 02:42
That, which is another one don't -
- D** Dave Chow 02:45
Don't - Don't go there, Dan.
- D** Dan Maggio 02:46
But, now I've done it to myself.
- D** Dave Chow 02:47
Yeah, I know. You're not gonna sleep till five now.
- B** Beth Oljar 02:49
One of my top 10 books of all time.
- D** Dan Maggio 02:52
"It"?
- B** Beth Oljar 02:53
Easily.

- M** Matt Mio 02:54
There you go. There you go. I read something the other day that said as a result of the, I don't know what you want to call it; not the reboot, but the more recent "It" movies and all of that mid 20 teens creepy clown prank stuff. McDonald's basically has very, very quietly retired Ronald McDonald. And I'm reading this in the newspaper -
- J** James Tubbs 03:16
He scares a lot of people.
- M** Matt Mio 03:17
Yeah, and I go out for The Dream Cruise, and there is a person dressed as Ronald McDonald sitting on the back of a convertible waving at everybody. I'm like, "He's back!"
- D** Dave Chow 03:26
No!
- M** Matt Mio 03:29
Continuing around the horn here, Professor Heather Hill has joined us.
- H** Heather Hill 03:33
Hello.
- H** Heather Hill 03:35
What do you think will be your - your teaching joy this semester? What class do you have that's a ton of fun?
- H** Heather Hill 03:41
I think the Medieval Lit is gonna be fun. Yeah, we're doing some contemporary connections kinds of things, kind of like my book project. So -
- M** Matt Mio 03:50

Nice.

H Heather Hill 03:50
and I have 17 students in the class, which is more than I've had in several years, so

M Matt Mio 03:56
That's great.

B Beth Oljar 03:57
That is a nice number.

H Heather Hill 03:59
Yeah. And they all seem pretty into it so far, so -

M Matt Mio 04:02
Very cool.

H Heather Hill 04:04
So - that I think will be fun.

J James Tubbs 04:07
Are they gonna act out the Canterbury Tales for you?

H Heather Hill 04:10
Um, I don't think so. I'll see. Would you join in?

J James Tubbs 04:20
Oh, I'd watch.



Heather Hill 04:21

That's not joining in. Maybe - Maybe if you bring your hook.



James Tubbs 04:26

Maybe so. (Laughs)



Matt Mio 04:30

Professor Beth Oljar, What part of your courses are you looking forward to the students acting out before the end of the term? None of them?



Beth Oljar 04:36

No. Not really.



James Tubbs 04:38

Plato's Republic.



Beth Oljar 04:40

Yeah, if they could act The Allegory of The Cave, that would be interesting, but mostly I'm just hoping they can understand what it's about.



Matt Mio 04:48

That's a good start. Let's start with the



Beth Oljar 04:51

(Unintelligible) proofs. I'm happy about that.



Matt Mio 04:53

Right. Exactly.



Beth Oljar 04:53

If I could spend the rest of my career teaching Symbolic Logic, I'd be pretty blissful.

- M** Matt Mio 04:59
That does sound like a lot of fun. I know I, all the students I advise that go into those - that course in particular, they really enjoy it. It scratches that technical itch they have for things being true and not true, you know.
- B** Beth Oljar 05:12
And the grading is much easier compared to papers.
- M** Matt Mio 05:15
I hear that. Professor Dave Chow is here.
- D** Dave Chow 05:19
Pleasure to be here as always.
- M** Matt Mio 05:20
Excellent. What's shakin, Dave?
- D** Dave Chow 05:22
Nothing much. Just another day in paradise. Just working away.
- M** Matt Mio 05:26
Are you allowed to - like - give us a you know, peek behind the curtain of your latest project?
- D** Dave Chow 05:31
I got two more Superbowl commercials coming out. So -
- M** Matt Mio 05:34

Oh!

D Dave Chow 05:35
but that also put like 60 hours of being wide awake for the last couple days on my body,
so -

J James Tubbs 05:41
Do any of them have a baby with graphics all over him?

D Dave Chow 05:43
Not this time? It was, uh, more Cadillac stuff. That's all.

M Matt Mio 05:47
Oh, cool!

D Dave Chow 05:48
So I get to work with the brand new Cadillac, which they're only making 400 of.

M Matt Mio 05:53
Really?

D Dave Chow 05:54
which is interesting. It's like 400 of this new Cadillac. I think there's like a lottery system for
it. And part of - one of the commercials, it's like, "not everyone can get one". That's pretty
much what the concept is. I'll say that much.

M Matt Mio 06:07
That's cool.

D Dave Chow 06:07

So you can have all the money in the world, but you won't necessarily get the car.

- S** Stephen Manning 06:11
Are you gonna get one of them for working on the project?
- D** Dave Chow 06:13
I wish. You know, that's one thing I've always wished that - for my clients - I've always wish I could trade off services.
- S** Stephen Manning 06:20
Yeah. What are these gonna cost?
- D** Dave Chow 06:22
I have no idea. I have absolutely no idea.
- M** Matt Mio 06:26
I'm gonna go out on a limb and say, a great deal.
- D** Dan Maggio 06:30
Half a million.
- D** Dave Chow 06:31
Probably.
- S** Stephen Manning 06:32
Thanks for the specificity, Matt.
- M** Matt Mio 06:35
Well, you know, there's a chip shortage. So if you order a new laptop through I.T, it's gonna take a few weeks. What can I say.

- D** Dave Chow 06:41
And it might be steam powered.
- M** Matt Mio 06:43
We're also being joined by a special guest panelist this week. Professor Sigrid Streit is here from the Department of English. Thanks for joining us, Sigrid.
- S** Sigrid Streit 06:51
Sure. Glad to be here.
- M** Matt Mio 06:53
What will be your course that you're looking forward to going to everyday this semester?
- S** Sigrid Streit 06:58
I'm teaching two sections of Technical Writing.
- D** Dave Chow 07:01
Ooh!
- M** Matt Mio 07:01
Ah, technical writing. That's awesome.
- S** Sigrid Streit 07:04
It's It's fun. It's surprisingly fun. I really enjoy it. A lot of people dread it in my department. They think I'm insane.
- B** Beth Oljar 07:13
Hey, if you love teaching any composition, I think that's awesome.
- M** Matt Mio 07:17

I totally agree.

B Beth Oljar 07:18
You're doing the work of the angels, for sure.

S Sigrid Streit 07:21
I'm not so sure about that. But I'll take it.

M Matt Mio 07:24
We'll keep sending our good science students to your courses, Sigrid; and every once in a while we might have to send you a not so good science students.

S Sigrid Streit 07:33
Well, I'll take them all. I'll take 'em all.

M Matt Mio 07:36
Hey, folks, this is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel you win a prize. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. You can email us at ATP at UDMercy dot edu. Find 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. And away we go. "Dear ATP panelists. It's been nearly 10 months since I last penned some questions for the show. Shame on me. Below are 20 questions on all sorts of things you've said that the panelists enjoy. Thanks again for your diligence to keeping all of us entertained in these very odd times. With deep appreciation", it's our good friend, Amber Hubley, Amber has sent us questions for a number of years now. And we are very, very thankful for her sending those in. Let's see what we got.

H Heather Hill 08:28
Thank you, Amber. Can you remind us where Amber is from.

M Matt Mio 08:31
You know, it doesn't say here, and I'm usually better at memorizing that sort of stuff. So I

apologize. Amber, you've sent us questions for a great long time, but sometimes you just reach that like Cher and Sting level. It's just one name. That's all that anybody -

- D** Dave Chow 08:45
Dan, if we were in the studio, we'd be looking at the map right about now looking for a pin, you know.
- D** Dan Maggio 08:50
I remember people more, I think, from where they're - where they're from, than their name sometimes.
- M** Matt Mio 08:55
Do you really?
- D** Dan Maggio 08:57
On this show.
- A** Announcer 08:57
Matt, in an email from September 2020, Amber indicated that she was writing from San Diego, California.
- M** Matt Mio 09:05
Okay, our first question - We are supposed to list the following gymnasts - tallest to shortest. Retton, Comaneci, Strug, Korbut.
- J** James Tubbs 09:20
Oh, my gosh!
- H** Heather Hill 09:21
Okay. Tallest to shortest, I'll start with Korbut.

- B** Beth Oljar 09:23
Comaneci would be the tallest. or Corbett. One of the two of them.
- S** Stephen Manning 09:23
Korbut's the -
- D** Dan Maggio 09:25
I would say Kerri is a shortest.
- D** Dave Chow 09:30
Yeah, Kerri Stug's the shortest.
- D** Dan Maggio 09:33
And probably Mary Lou after that, from short up.
- M** Matt Mio 09:36
Basically - Yeah, basically you got it correct. I'm not gonna ask you the specific heights, but Nadia Comaneci was exactly five feet tall. Olga Corbett was one inch shorter. Mary Lou Retton was 4' 9", and Kerri Strug was a downright miniscule 4'7"
- B** Beth Oljar 09:56
I remember watching them all compete.
- J** James Tubbs 09:58
Yeah, me too.
- S** Sigrid Streit 09:59
How tall is Simone Biles?
- M** Matt Mio 10:02

That's a - that's a really good question because you feel that - like that would be the follow up here. But there's, yeah, we need to get Dan into Wikipedia here.



Dave Chow 10:10

That's so microscopic I mean, what's the - what's the height definition for being a small person?



Matt Mio 10:17

She was 4' 8", so she's in between Mary Lou Retton and Kerri Strug. She's pretty short.



Beth Oljar 10:21

Although you know, and speaking of Germany, they really did something quite impressive at the Olympics, the Women's Gymnastic team in - uh - from Germany refused to compete in those swimsuit-cut leotards. They wore unitards instead to - sort of - protest that, you know, basically the objectification of women and the sort of sexualization of the sport, as opposed to emphasizing it's -



James Tubbs 10:52

And several of the women's volleyball teams did that.



Matt Mio 10:54

Yes. I was gonna say one of the images from this Olympics that's kind of burned in my mind is - they were taking a team picture of men's beach volleyball and women's beach volleyball. And the men were literally in blazers and pants. And the women were in the bikinis. And I'm like, this is so wrong, like, this has to be a parody. You know what I mean?



Dave Chow 11:18

The contrast -



Dan Maggio 11:19

Why do they require that they wear that in the first place? Why don't they just allow the participants to wear whatever they're comfortable with?

M Matt Mio 11:27
That's a good question.

D Dave Chow 11:29
Or why not go to like a Nike and say, "Hey, design some functional clothing for these athletes".

J James Tubbs 11:33
Yeah.

D Dave Chow 11:34
You know, let function follow form. You know, I mean-

M Matt Mio 11:37
It's a great point, Dave. And there was a news story at our last Olympics, which of course, was five years ago, where we had the first almost finalist, who was basically swimming in Hijab, and they went, and they made a new swimsuit for her so that she can honor her country's traditions and still compete. I'm like, seriously.

B Beth Oljar 11:57
Cool!

D Dave Chow 11:57
Now, I know they also had issues, because I remember years ago -this goes all back to Michael Phelps - when the men were thinking about wearing the complete unitard, but they actually came up with a material that's actually slipperier than skin.

M Matt Mio 12:11
Right, right.

D Dave Chow 12:12

So there's a certain point - Does technology overtake human form? But, you know, in regards like track and field gymnastics, it doesn't, so -

- M** Matt Mio 12:21
I think there's a debate coming with Professor Manning about whether we should just fire all the umps and hire an ump bot and call balls and strikes like they see it.
- S** Stephen Manning 12:31
Yeah, I read the article about the robots.
- M** Matt Mio 12:33
The robots are coming. You can not stop it.
- S** Stephen Manning 12:36
Yep.
- M** Matt Mio 12:38
As Jim scratches his head with his hook. Sports is a good segue - What sports team plays in First Energy Stadium? I'll give you a hint. It's in the NFL.
- D** Dan Maggio 12:51
Is that in Texas?
- M** Matt Mio 12:52
It is not.
- D** Dan Maggio 12:53
Oh, First Energy.
- D** Dave Chow 12:56

So Philadelphia?

S Stephen Manning 12:58
Cincinnati?

H Heather Hill 12:59
Dolphins?

M Matt Mio 13:01
Um, the two colors of this team, which is quite a combo, the major colors are orange and brown.

D Dave Chow 13:09
Oh. Cleveland.

D Dave Chow 13:11
That's the Cleveland Browns. Yeah.

D Dave Chow 13:12
First Energy, huh. Okay.

B Beth Oljar 13:14
Good movie about them called Draft Day, actually.

M Matt Mio 13:17
Yeah, yeah.

B Beth Oljar 13:18
It's a decent movie, even if you don't really care about football or understand the draft - as I don't.

- S** Stephen Manning 13:24
Kevin Costner was it that, wasn't he?
- B** Beth Oljar 13:26
Yeah. Yeah. Kevin Costner.
- M** Matt Mio 13:30
Professors, who was the author that coined the terms unperson, newspeak. thoughtcrime.
- B** Beth Oljar 13:38
Orwell.
- H** Heather Hill 13:39
Orwell. Yeah.
- M** Matt Mio 13:39
Orwell, yes. That was George Orwell.
- J** James Tubbs 13:42
1984.
- M** Matt Mio 13:42
Mm-hmm. And completely unrelated, what state in the union has the highest rate of cremation?
- M** Matt Mio 13:55
California,
- J** James Tubbs 13:55
Oregon,

- S** Sigrid Streit 13:56
California for the wildfires?
- D** Dave Chow 13:58
Hawaii.
- M** Matt Mio 13:59
It feels like it would be, but -
- D** Dan Maggio 14:00
Louisiana?
- M** Matt Mio 14:03
I'm looking in a Heather and Beth direction here.
- S** Sigrid Streit 14:07
Oregon?
- H** Heather Hill 14:07
Washington State?
- H** Heather Hill 14:09
Yeah, it's Washington State is what it says here is the highest rate of cremation in the United States. No other background information I'm afraid, but -
- S** Stephen Manning 14:16
Is there a number per 1000?
- J** James Tubbs 14:20
Well, they also offer biodegradable burials.

H Heather Hill 14:23
Yeah, I'm thinking that might be it. It's a kind of an eco -

M Matt Mio 14:27
Right.

H Heather Hill 14:28
Yeah. Ecological.

B Beth Oljar 14:30
The Jay Inslee thing.

H Heather Hill 14:32
Yeah.

D Dave Chow 14:33
In the ranier you go. So

M Matt Mio 14:36
Which, uh, which us airport is code lettered M as in Matt MCI?

D Dave Chow 14:44
Oh.

H Heather Hill 14:46
Miami?

B Beth Oljar 14:49
Not Minneapolis St. Paul.



James Tubbs 14:51

No, uh -



Dave Chow 14:52

Miami. No, not Miami.



Beth Oljar 14:54

So, something International.



Dan Maggio 14:59

Is that - It's not Midway. I've flown into this airport.



Dave Chow 15:04

Come on, Dan, work it out.



Heather Hill 15:06

Is it in the United States? or is it -



James Tubbs 15:08

Yeah. It is.



Matt Mio 15:08

It is. It's very close to the center of the United States.



Dan Maggio 15:12

Kansas City.



Matt Mio 15:13

It's Kansas City, Missouri. Yeah. Kansas City, Missouri.

D Dave Chow 15:16
So, what's the MC stand for?

D Dan Maggio 15:18
MC Hammer.

D Dave Chow 15:19
Oh, Okay, that makes sense.

M Matt Mio 15:22
Master of Ceremonies,

D Dave Chow 15:23
Motor City. Oh,

M Matt Mio 15:25
Exactly.

A Announcer 15:27
You're listening to Ask The Professor from University of Detroit Mercy. We're grateful for those listeners who submitted questions for this week's episode, and we invite you to send us your questions at ATP at UDMercy.edu. Now, let's return to our host Matt Mio with more questions for the panel.

M Matt Mio 15:53
And we are back with some questions from Amber Hubley. Ooh, my. It's been a while I remember we had one, probably was like 100 years ago, but remember - we had our big question set on diner lingo?

J James Tubbs 16:06
Yeah.

M Matt Mio 16:07
What does it mean when someone orders a dish in the Pittsburgh style?

D Dave Chow 16:12
Oh, um -

H Heather Hill 16:13
with cream cheese. No.

D Dave Chow 16:15
No, no. Isn't that um, burnt on the edges or something like that?

M Matt Mio 16:19
You're really close, Dave. I'm um - I'm like loving it right now -

D Dave Chow 16:23
Was it like charred on the edges and, Oh darn.

M Matt Mio 16:26
It means charred on the outside, raw on the inside is what it is.

D Dave Chow 16:29
Okay.

J James Tubbs 16:31
Eghh!

B Beth Oljar 16:31
Eww!

M Matt Mio 16:32
If only Jason were here to tell us why people from Pittsburgh want everything -

D Dave Chow 16:37
It's a black and yellow thing. That's all.

M Matt Mio 16:39
Yes. Black and yellow.

D Dave Chow 16:40
I'm sorry. Black and Gold.

M Matt Mio 16:41
Yep.

D Dave Chow 16:42
Yeah. Jason would have my head on a stick.

M Matt Mio 16:44
Oh, my gosh.

S Stephen Manning 16:45
Sounds like Dad's hamburgers.

M Matt Mio 16:48
What do - Oh my, have three more different people ever been brought together in a question. Waylon Jennings, Courtney Cox, and ex Detroit Tigers catcher Lance Parrish all have in common.

D Dave Chow 17:03

They've never been in Dan Maggio's kitchen,

H Heather Hill 17:05
Were they all born in the same place?

M Matt Mio 17:08
You got it, Heather. Actually, they were all born on the same day.

D Dave Chow 17:11
Oh,

M Matt Mio 17:12
They were all born on June 15, although quite a distance apart from each other. Yes.

D Dave Chow 17:18
Is Waylon Jennings still with us?

M Matt Mio 17:20
That's a good question.

D Dan Maggio 17:21
I don't think so.

D Dave Chow 17:23
Because I vaguely - What - wasn't he the narrator for the Dukes of Hazzard show?

M Matt Mio 17:27
That's right.



Dave Chow 17:28

If I remember right. Don't ask me why I remember that.



Matt Mio 17:32

Okay. There was only one place in southeastern Michigan where you would find the address 99 Pleasure Drive. Where's that?



Dave Chow 17:44

Jim Tubbs' house?



James Tubbs 17:47

With the hook. 99 Pleasure Drive.



Heather Hill 17:51

Pleasant Ridge?



Dave Chow 17:53

No.



Dan Maggio 17:55

Is that Boblo Island?



Matt Mio 17:57

You're getting warm.



Heather Hill 17:59

Belle Isle?



Dan Maggio 18:00

That's not hot, though.

M Matt Mio 18:01
Yeah. It's Belle Isle.

D Dan Maggio 18:01
Oh, it's Belle Isle!

S Sigrid Streit 18:04
Really?

D Dan Maggio 18:04
Is that the amusement park, the old amusement park?

M Matt Mio 18:07
That's a good question. I'm not exactly sure where it is.

D Dave Chow 18:08
Yeah, like by the slide? By the big slide. I mean, that was my

M Matt Mio 18:13
close by the aquarium. I don't know.

H Heather Hill 18:14
I like my answer better. It makes more sense.

M Matt Mio 18:17
Oh, my gosh. What Major League Baseball pitcher - catcher combination started the most games together with 324? Holy smokes!

D Dave Chow 18:29
Oh, that's, uh - He just passed away recently. Um, Lolich or Freehan?

M Matt Mio 18:35
You got it right on top.

D Dave Chow 18:37
That wasn't one of the -

M Matt Mio 18:38
Mickey Lolich was the pitcher and Bill Freehan - 324 games played together. I gotta tell this story. It was gonna come up sooner or later. My in-laws, in particular, are not that big into baseball. They're more straight up, you know, football folks. But I've noticed after 25 years of being married to my wife, that my mother in law has a real sweet spot for Bill Freehan. So he passes away recently, and I texted her, you know, the crying emoji and a little tiger and a baseball. And the next time I saw her, I said, you know, you're never really filled that out. I thought maybe her dad she was close to her dad and her dad was into the Tigers and he was her favorite or whatever. She looks me dead in the eye. She goes "Matt, He went to Shrine. I went to grade school with him, like I knew him" I never made the connection. He grew up around here and went to grade school. And then his parents moved to Florida when he went to high school and got really good. So getting drafted by the Tigers was a really big deal, because he was from around here.

D Dave Chow 19:38
Wow. Yeah, and Detroit was only team he ever played for, if I remember right.

M Matt Mio 19:42
That's exactly right. And I'm gonna just say it out loud so that I get blamed if anything goes wrong. Don't worry, Michael. I'm not going to swear. But it's a classic example of the social pressures of physiological and mental health because Mr. Freehan was diagnosed fairly young with dementia. He was easily a Hall of Famer. Easily. But the fact that they would have had to put a man in that state on the podium was not something Major League Baseball wanted to do, which is really sad if you think about it.

D Dave Chow 20:12
Yeah, because Didn't he also end up coaching U of M baseball? Yeah. And then I think that the dementia really got to him and he had to just back off, which was sad.

M Matt Mio 20:22
Yeah.

D Dave Chow 20:22
So -

S Stephen Manning 20:22
His obituary said he went off to college to study something, before they discovered he was a great baseball player, I forget what it was. It was like -

M Matt Mio 20:31
That's right.

S Stephen Manning 20:32
Physics or Engineering or something. And then he got linked to baseball, and the rest, as they say, is history.

M Matt Mio 20:39
Right.

D Dave Chow 20:40
And they always say, you know, the catcher is probably one of the brightest people, you know, if you want to quantify that somehow, as far as, you know, understanding the game.

M Matt Mio 20:48
That's right. That's exactly right. He could have been a manager. Maybe, you know, won a few more World Series. Who knows?

D Dave Chow 20:53
Well, look at how many managers are catchers. I mean, Brad Ausmus Jim Leyland. AJ Hinch.

M Matt Mio 20:59
That's right.

B Beth Oljar 20:59
We've all seen Bull Durham and we know the importance of the catcher.

M Matt Mio 21:03
Mm hmm. How about this one: Which is older, (and every red blooded Detroiter really needs to know the answer to this question), which is older, the Stanley Cup or the NHL?

D Dave Chow 21:14
Stanley Cup.

M Matt Mio 21:15
Mm-hmm. By how many years?

D Dave Chow 21:18
I think the Stanley Cup was, I think that was offered like in the 1800s. And NHL wasn't like till 1920 or something like that.

M Matt Mio 21:24
That's basically it. Yeah. The Stanley Cup's about 24 years older than the NHL, which was -

D Dave Chow 21:30
Somebody had to drive.

M Matt Mio 21:31
Yeah.

D Dan Maggio 21:32

So, what was it used for before it became the Stanley Cup for the NHL?

- D** Dave Chow 21:38
It was still a - It was still a trophy.
- D** Dan Maggio 21:40
for another sport, or -
- D** Dave Chow 21:42
no, it's still for hockey, still for the best hockey in all of Canada.
- D** Dan Maggio 21:45
Oh, I see. Okay.
- M** Matt Mio 21:46
They adopted it to the NHL.
- D** Dave Chow 21:47
Yeah. And that poor thing has been dinged and dented so bad this summer it's not even funny. They've dropped that thing so many times, the Silversmiths are gonna have a time
- M** Matt Mio 21:56
After playing in Antarctica in 2013, what musical group has now played all seven continents?
- B** Beth Oljar 22:05
U2?
- B** Beth Oljar 22:06
That's a good guess. But it's not it.

S Stephen Manning 22:08
Pearl Jam?

M Matt Mio 22:09
No, I would say from my youth, they were viewed as pretty heavy rock. They seem kind of tame when you compare them to more modern stuff now.

D Dan Maggio 22:17
So I'm guessing it's not ABBA.

H Heather Hill 22:19
I was gonna say ABBA, Dan.

D Dave Chow 22:21
Hey, they even got a new song that just broke. So I mean, don't laugh.

B Beth Oljar 22:25
Some of us really like ABBA.

D Dave Chow 22:27
Yeah.

M Matt Mio 22:28
What if I said,

H Heather Hill 22:30
I was just gonna say ABBA. I think it's cool that Dan was gonna say ABBA, and he did.

D Dan Maggio 22:34
So - rock in the 90s?

M Matt Mio 22:37
Well, and frankly, obviously, they're still going today. I mean, it would go back a little bit to the 80s.

D Dan Maggio 22:42
Is it kind of like light rocker, or is it like -

M Matt Mio 22:44
It's heavy metal. So I would say -

M Matt Mio 22:45
Oh, heavy metal. Metallic.

M Matt Mio 22:47
Yeah, it's Metallic. I was gonna say Enter Sandman as my -

D Dave Chow 22:50
Okay.

M Matt Mio 22:51
My clue.

D Dan Maggio 22:51
That wouldn't have helped me at all.

M Matt Mio 22:52
Speaking of interesting culture, what percentage of the world's lawyers live in the United States?

H Heather Hill 23:00

67.

M Matt Mio 23:02
I'm giving it to you. It's 70%. 70 % of the world's lawyers live in the United States.

D Dan Maggio 23:08
Really!

M Matt Mio 23:08
Incredible. And all I can think about is the lawyer from Arrested Development, whose name was Bob Loblaw. But they said his name real fast all the time. So they said bah, blah, blah. So great. Played by, uh, oh my gosh, who was Chachi on Happy Days?

D Dave Chow 23:27
Scott Baio.

M Matt Mio 23:29
Scott Baio. Yeah, that's right.

D Dan Maggio 23:30
Oh, man,

M Matt Mio 23:31
How many individual peanuts does it take to make a standard 12 -ounce jar of Creamy peanut butter?

H Heather Hill 23:38
Ooh,

S Stephen Manning 23:40

400

B Beth Oljar 23:41
a lot.

D Dan Maggio 23:41
I'll say 1200.

M Matt Mio 23:44
You know, Stephen is way closer, way closer.

S Sigrid Streit 23:47
Really?

M Matt Mio 23:48
It says 540 individual peanuts. And here's the kicker. This is what's mind blowing. So that was Creamy. Do you think that Crunchy is higher or lower?

D Dan Maggio 23:59
Higher.

D Dave Chow 24:00
Yeah, higher.

M Matt Mio 24:01
It says here -

H Heather Hill 24:03
Lower.



Matt Mio 24:03

It's exactly the same.



Dan Maggio 24:05

Really? Well look at that.



Matt Mio 24:08

I need trivia like that in my life.



Heather Hill 24:10

Oh, they probably just don't whip it as much.



Dave Chow 24:13

And Heather, just FYI. Back in the day. I remember growing up seeing restaurants that my parents worked in. If you want to add peanuts to egg rolls, you bought peanut butter because it's cheaper than buying raw peanuts.



Matt Mio 24:24

Wow.



James Tubbs 24:25

Hmm.



Dave Chow 24:26

So - I remember seeing Chinese restaurants stocked with like, what are they doing with the orange marmalade and crunchy peanut butter?



Stephen Manning 24:35

I don't know why I'm thinking of this, ut I'm reading a biography of Jimmy Carter. Oh, yeah. Peanut butter. Georgia, right?

- M** Matt Mio 24:42
Yeah. Uh, Professors.
- H** Heather Hill 24:45
That's why you're thinking of it.
- H** Heather Hill 24:47
I'm aware, Heather.
- M** Matt Mio 24:50
Reportedly, reportedly - PURPORTEDLY, who is the most popular singer in all of Kenya.
Your hint is He's an American solo artist.
- J** James Tubbs 25:03
Barry Manilow,
- H** Heather Hill 25:04
Neil Diamond,
- D** Dave Chow 25:06
Johnny Mathis. or Johnny Mattress.
- M** Matt Mio 25:07
You immediately go into a place that is so not far off from the real answer.
- D** Dave Chow 25:15
What?
- B** Beth Oljar 25:15
David Hasselhoff.



Dan Maggio 25:17

They're close?



Sigrid Streit 25:18

Well, that's with the Germans.



Matt Mio 25:20

How about if I said The Gambler.



Dave Chow 25:22

Oh, Kenny Rogers?



Heather Hill 25:24

Kenny Rogers?



Matt Mio 25:25

Kenny Rogers.



Dave Chow 25:26

Now who - Who's doing the reporting or purporting on this?



Matt Mio 25:30

Uh, well apparently Amber.



Dave Chow 25:32

Oh, okay.



Matt Mio 25:32

And uh, Yeah, exactly. Okay, let's see if we can do a palate cleanser real quick. Oh, I find this fascinating. According to behavioral scientists, humans are born with two innate fears

of instinct. All others are learned. That's fascinating to me. What are those two innate fears?

D Dave Chow 25:32
They must have only one album over there.

D Dave Chow 25:55
Filling out the financial aid form.

S Sigrid Streit 25:58
Heights and spiders.

D Dan Maggio 25:59
Government.

D Dan Maggio 26:00
Pain?

S Stephen Manning 26:01
Height.

S Sigrid Streit 26:03
Yeah, height and spiders.

M Matt Mio 26:05
I'm sorry that's not correct, but you guys all just

D Dan Maggio 26:08
How about animals with big pointy teeth?

- D** Dave Chow 26:12
clowns, clowns.
- H** Heather Hill 26:14
Jeepers creepers. Jeepers creepers.
- D** Dan Maggio 26:17
That's it - clowns. Clowns and the government. That's my answer,
- D** Dave Chow 26:20
Dan, there's no difference.
- M** Matt Mio 26:22
Okay.
- B** Beth Oljar 26:24
Fire.
- B** Beth Oljar 26:25
Let's narrow this down a little bit here. One of them is the most reported thing that happens at the very very end of a nightmare.
- S** Sigrid Streit 26:36
Falling?
- S** Sigrid Streit 26:38
Falling. Sigrid got it. It's falling.
- D** Dave Chow 26:40
Oh! falling

M Matt Mio 26:41
Like falling into a hole or falling a great distance. The other one probably makes more sense when you think about little children. It's loud noises, loud noises, is the fear. Which fits into almost everything that was mentioned. Right? Like, you know, predators and you know, stuff like that. Last but most certainly not least, so we can round out this great set of questions from Amber, who is the longest serving team captain in all of the history of Major League American sport.

D Dan Maggio 27:13
Stevie Yzerman

M Matt Mio 27:14
Absolutely correct.

D Dan Maggio 27:16
Oh, you're kidding me!

D Dave Chow 27:17
Way to go!

D Dave Chow 27:18
He was in 1300 games over 20 years. 1300 games.

H Heather Hill 27:23
Dan! Dan!

M Matt Mio 27:24
That's incredible.

H Heather Hill 27:25
Dan!

M Matt Mio 27:26
Right off the top of his head. That was awesome. Professors, I'm so sorry. Our time has come to an end. And that means the time has come to say goodbye, Jim.

J James Tubbs 27:36
Goodbye,

M Matt Mio 27:37
Dan.

D Dan Maggio 27:38
Goodbye,

M Matt Mio 27:39
Heather.

H Heather Hill 27:40
Buh - Bye

M Matt Mio 27:42
Dave.

D Dave Chow 27:43
See ya.

M Matt Mio 27:44
And Sigrid.

S Sigrid Streit 27:45
Bye.



Matt Mio 27:46

And now these words.



Announcer 27:47

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