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Heather Hill, Hiba Assi, Beth Oljar, Prasad Venugopal, Stephen Manning, Dave Chow, James Tubbs, Erin Bell, Matt Mio, Ph.D., Michael Jayson, Mara Livezey

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:01
The University tower chimes ring in 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. To my right, from the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, it's Professor Mara Livezey

M Mara Livezey 00:19
Hello.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:20
So this is going to be one of the last times we get to have you on the show for a while.

M Mara Livezey 00:25
That's right - for a while. Probably second to last time you'll hear from me.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:28
Oh my gosh

B Beth Oljar 00:31
When are you due - late December?

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M Mara Livezey 00:33
I am due three weeks from tomorrow.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:35
Oh my gosh. That's unbelievable.

J James Tubbs 00:38
A Christmas baby.

M Mara Livezey 00:39
Right around Christmas. Yeah

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:41
That's right.

D Dave Chow 00:41
She's got the manger ready.

M Mara Livezey 00:43
I'll miss you all very much, but not too much. (Matt laughs)

B Beth Oljar 00:48
I totally understand, believe me.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:50
I do understand.

P Prasad Venugopal 00:51

I mean, you will be back in 15 years or something like that.

M Mara Livezey 00:53
Approximately (laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:54
Well, I was gonna say, if the Kendra pattern is followed: first, she had like young ones. And it was like, Well, you know, "I can come back every once in a while". But then they like got into gymnastics and -

M Mara Livezey 01:06
Oh! they've gotta do stuff?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:08
Yeah, I know. It's the way of things. What can I say?

M Mara Livezey 01:12
So it will be.

H Heather Hill 01:13
You've got to drive them places.

J James Tubbs 01:14
Yeah. You might have to drive them places to get them to go to sleep.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:19
That's also true.

P Prasad Venugopal 01:22
Yes.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:23
Continuing around the table. We're very happy to have first time panelist here. Professor Hiba Assi teaches physics in our department.

H Hiba Assi 01:32
I'm glad to be here. This is gonna be exciting.

P Prasad Venugopal 01:34
What the others got a little stale?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:34
Yes. It will be exciting.

B Beth Oljar 01:34
It's nice to have another physicist. Yeah, that's it. I've had with you and Bob. That's it.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:45
We think that your sense of humor, Hiba, is going to fit in very, very well with this panel. And we're about to run the experiment.

H Hiba Assi 01:54
Yeah, let's see the first one - how it goes.

B Beth Oljar 01:58
We have formulated the hypothesis and now we must test it

D Dave Chow 02:01
Pleasure to be here, as always.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:01

Yes. Now we must test it. Let's see what happens. Continuing around the table, Professor Dave Chow is here. Can I call you like Professor of Berkley or something else?

D Dave Chow 02:11

No. Just Dave is good enough.

J James Tubbs 02:12

The Chow man,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:13

The dean of the neighborhood.

D Dave Chow 02:14

No. So tonight is Noel Night prep. That's right. I leave here to go down to CCS.

J James Tubbs 02:20

Are you going to have luminaries?

D Dave Chow 02:22

With any luck I've got 200 candles in my car right about now. I've got 400 bags at school and about 300 pounds of sand being delivered even as we speak.

J James Tubbs 02:30

Where's the sand gonna be delivered?

D Dave Chow 02:32

To the building.

J James Tubbs 02:34

Inside?

D Dave Chow 02:34
Yes.

J James Tubbs 02:35
Oh.

B Beth Oljar 02:37
I don't think they're just gonna dump it off.

J James Tubbs 02:38
I was thinking there were piles omewhere on the ground.

M Mara Livezey 02:38
What's the sand for?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:38
To weight down the luminaries.

D Dave Chow 02:41
Well no, we're making sand castles

P Prasad Venugopal 02:43
That's what I thought, a little sandbox for the little kids.

J James Tubbs 02:46
No. You put a candle in there, so the candles don't flop over.

D Dave Chow 02:48
So it's gonna be quite a bit of mayhem between tonight and tomorrow.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:51
That's beautiful. Beautiful mayhem.

S Stephen Manning 02:52
I thought you were going to put it in your trunk for the impending snowstorm.

D Dave Chow 02:55
I'm good. I'm prepared for anything and everything.

E Erin Bell 02:57
I enjoy it every year. And like Professor Tubbs sometimes spend a little bit too much money. But I'm always on the lookout for Professor Dave Chow. So I'm excited for this year. It's always awesome.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:57
Professor Erin Bell is here with us from both our Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning and the Department of English; and you're going to Noel Night, Erin? Excellent. They do have some pretty interesting wares down there. Those very, very creative students down at CCS. Plus - you get to see this great part of the city. That's why everybody goes; and the man who takes advantage, apparently, of that the most is Professor James Tubbs.

J James Tubbs 03:34
Oh, I wouldn't say the most

D Dave Chow 03:35
Oh, yes. I would.

J James Tubbs 03:37
I just enjoy myself.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:38
Yeah

Yeah.

S Stephen Manning 03:39
You asked when they started selling stuff.

D Dave Chow 03:41
The man who's single handedly responsible for paying down student loans and CCS.

J James Tubbs 03:46
No, no, no, no.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:48
No, that's cool. I just can't believe - Like, I think it hit me like a hiccup today. I taught my recitation online and then I went back to doing some data keeping. I'm like, "Oh my gosh, it's December 1!"

M Mara Livezey 03:59
Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:00
Such a horrible feeling, actually.

J James Tubbs 04:02
Well, yes. It's the panic feeling that sets in.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:06
Yeah, that sounds about right. Continuing around the table, Professor Heather Hill is here from English.

H Heather Hill 04:12
Hello.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:13
So have you ever been to Evie's Tamales before?

H Heather Hill 04:15
Oh, yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:16
Oh, okay. I didn't realize that.

H Heather Hill 04:17
Evie's, not Eevies.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:18
Yeah. Well, I mean, that's what she calls herself.

H Heather Hill 04:20
Yeah, they're good.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:22
That's awesome. Yeah, we put in a big order at the beginning of December in the Mio family to sort of pay homage to my Tex Mex grandmother. She used to take us there all the time. So we haven't before Christmas.

B Beth Oljar 04:33
Yummy

H Heather Hill 04:34
Do you get the sweet? You don't get the sweet ones. Yummy

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:34

Delicious tamales. He asked me what I put in the order, "What do you want inside of them?" And I'm like, "You've never asked me that before, in like 20 years of me buying these. I just want the pork ones" I don't get the sweet ones. But I've heard that they're very good.

E

Erin Bell 04:51

And almond and raisin - I've heard?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:53

Exactly. It's like golden raisin and like brown sugar or something. So

E

Erin Bell 04:57

Interesting.

J

James Tubbs 04:58

The only ones I've ever had one were made with cornmeal inside.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:01

Mm-hm. So Professor Stephen Manning, who is also here. Oh, you're wearing your Cornell crimson here.

S

Stephen Manning 05:08

Yeah.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:09

Wait, not crimson. This can't be called Crimson at Cornell. What's the color called? Is it just called red?

S

Stephen Manning 05:15

I think red,

J

James Tubbs 05:16

Cornell red.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:17
We had this argument.

M Mara Livezey 05:19
Yeah, I think Big red or

S Stephen Manning 05:20
Big Red. I don't know.

P Prasad Venugopal 05:20
burgundy red

D Dave Chow 05:23
Plum

S Stephen Manning 05:24
Wisconsin sometimes referred to as Big Red too.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:26
That's true.

M Mara Livezey 05:27
Oh, maybe that's it.

H Heather Hill 05:28
I think he's wearing it only because the Cornell letters match the corduroys.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:33



Ohhh, okay.



Mara Livezey 05:34

Ohhh



Dave Chow 05:34

it's clean. It's clean



Prasad Venugopal 05:36

. That's what I thought. It was the first thing he found.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:40

I got into an argument last weekend from someone from Ohio State because their color is not red, it's scarlet.



Stephen Manning 05:47

Scarlet. Yes. And they had a great victory last weekend.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:49

Oh, geez.



James Tubbs 05:49

Oh, yes. That was a great game.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:52

No comment. No comment at all. Wow, this happens a lot. And Professor Beth Oljar from Philosophy is filling out logic tables.



Beth Oljar 06:02

I am.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:02
It's important stuff.

B Beth Oljar 06:03
Putting together a key for Symbolic Logic.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:05
Uh huh. Well, the time has come. We've got to wrap these classes up. We've only got a week to go, right?

B Beth Oljar 06:10
Did a proof today in class - or rather started a proof today in class that I actually could not figure out how to do.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:16
Oh, wow.

B Beth Oljar 06:17
I couldn't figure out how to finish it, and I'm always so horrified when that happens in class, like "the students are gonna think I don't know anything" and "Why am I teaching the class?" but it happened,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:27
But you survived.

B Beth Oljar 06:30
Well, yeah, it was - Fortunately, I was saved by the bell. It was 12:50. So I got to say, "well, I'll figure this out over the weekend and let you guys know"

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:34
Oh, nice. That's awesome.

B Beth Oljar 06:42
I'll probably just look in the instructors manual, actually.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:44
Don't worry. They have great respect for you, Beth. They're clamoring to get into that Symbolic Logic class.

P Prasad Venugopal 06:49
If she's going to survive, she'll find out on Monday, when they come in with pitchforks or cookies.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:55
That's not the way it works. That's not true.

B Beth Oljar 06:58
They have a homework due Monday so they'd better be in class.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:02
Last but most certainly not least, Professor Prasad Venugopal is here from our Physics Department

P Prasad Venugopal 07:09
Two physicists. Hello. Glad to see or hear everyone.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:12
Yes. Thank you very much for coming. And thank you for reminding me to remind you to remind me to bring Hiba along with you. I think that this is great. Let's see what we can do here, folks. This is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you win a prize. You could send the questions in a number of ways. 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. "Dear professors: Here we go again. We here at the Burroughs household have skimmed 20 more questions for your fine show. As always, they're all over the place to test the width and breadth of your

professors' knowledge. We sincerely hope they'll prove challenging and maybe even vexing. Keep up the wonderful work because we enjoy downloading new episodes every week. It's the best educational podcast out there". Wow. Okay,

M Mara Livezey 08:10
High praise

J James Tubbs 08:10
We do like to vex.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:13
(Laughs) That's true.

D Dave Chow 08:13
Where's that NEA grant when we need it?

J James Tubbs 08:18
(Laughs) for being vexing?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:20
"As always, warmest greetings", Frank and the family Burroughs of Valencia, California. So thanks for sending those in the family Burroughs. Okeydoke Well, let's start with some entertainment. What cast member of the sitcom (The original) sitcom Roseanne was actually an alum of Saturday Night Live"? Whew!

B Beth Oljar 08:41
John Goodman?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:42
That's not what it says here.

B Beth Oljar 08:44

Laurie Metcalf?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:45

Laurie Metcalf is the answer. Apparently she only appeared in one episode of SNL before she left. That's a nice piece of trivia.

B Beth Oljar 08:53

Do you really count as an alum after one episode?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:56

"I went to one class!" That's exactly - That's what I was gonna say.

B Beth Oljar 09:02

"So why did I fail?"

P Prasad Venugopal 09:03

Did you pay your tuition?

B Beth Oljar 09:05

So I took one class at Cornell, but I don't have a degree from there.

P Prasad Venugopal 09:08

You've got a shirt to prove it. Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:11

All I got was this lousy sweatshirt. Exactly. It's making me think though, it's sort of like, isn't it well known that it's either like a tie between Steve Martin and Alec Baldwin to have hosted Saturday Night Live the most, but they've been on at least like 10 times.

S Stephen Manning 09:24

Who's this Laurie? Was she the daughter?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:26

She was her sister. She's still on the current version of the show, which is not called Roseanne anymore, etc, etc. So yeah. What author wrote under a pseudonym Floria Fairfield, and also A.M. Barnard?



Dave Chow 09:43

Heather.



Beth Oljar 09:43

Oh. I feel like I know that.



Prasad Venugopal 09:46

That's not the answer.



Beth Oljar 09:47

Oh, you're right.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:49

It's an American author.



Prasad Venugopal 09:50

A.M. Barnard.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:52

Yep. A.M Barnard.



Beth Oljar 09:55

It's not Louisa May Alcott, is it?



M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:56
It is Louisa May Alcott.

M Mara Livezey 09:58
Whoa!

P Prasad Venugopal 09:58
You are on fire.

B Beth Oljar 10:01
I knew there was a reason I knew that and that must have been it.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:04
There you go. Were you a Little Women, Little Men sort of person?


B Beth Oljar 10:09
Little Women is one of my favorite books of all time, because the women have all the power in that family. (Laughs) That's one of the reasons that's interesting.


P Prasad Venugopal 10:15
She said that right in the middle of putting that key together for that Symbolic Logic course. She just looked up, gave the answer and went right back to it. Wow. Absolutely. She's multitasking, for sure.


B Beth Oljar 10:26
That usually turns out badly for someone. Okay, these are


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:29
Okay. These are not usually the questions that work out very well when we have a big crowd, but let's see we can do.


M Mara Livezey 10:32


 **Maria Livzey** 10:32
Uh-oh.


 **Matt Mio, Ph.D.** 10:35
So most folks know - maybe you don't know. The board game Clue in Britain is called Cluedo.


 **Prasad Venugopal** 10:41
Correct, and in India


 **Matt Mio, Ph.D.** 10:43
And in India. Okay.


 **Dave Chow** 10:44
And Canada.

 **Matt Mio, Ph.D.** 10:45
So I'm talking about Cluedo for the rule here. What are the nine rooms on the board game board for Cluedo? Can we do this slowly

 **Heather Hill** 10:55
Are they the same as for the American version?

 **Matt Mio, Ph.D.** 10:56
Very similar.

 **James Tubbs** 10:57
The Drawing Room?

 **Stephen Manning** 10:58
The Library?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:59
There is no drawing room. There is a library.

S Stephen Manning 11:01
A kitchen?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:02
There is a kitchen

D Dave Chow 11:03
The parlor.

B Beth Oljar 11:03
The conservatory.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:04
There's no parlor, but there is a conservatory.

D Dave Chow 11:06
Hall

M Mara Livezey 11:07
Dining Room

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:07
Hall is one of them. Dining Room is one of them.

J James Tubbs 11:09
Billiards Room?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:09
Billiards Room is one of them. You're missing two.

D Dave Chow 11:10
The loo.

H Hiba Assi 11:10
Bedroom?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:13
You did kitchen, hall, billiard room -

S Stephen Manning 11:18
Study?


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:18
Study is one of them. Study, Kitchen, Hall, Conservatory, Dining room, Library. You're missing one.


H Heather Hill 11:24
The Arboretum


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:26
No, that's good, because you're getting in the area of - this would be the one that I don't think we have in the American version.


D Dave Chow 11:31
The Chem Lab

B Beth Oljar 11:31


 The greenhouse?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:33
(Laughing) The greenhouse. No.


 Heather Hill 11:37
The Sunroom?


 Dave Chow 11:39
The biscuit baking room.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:40
Not the tea room. The tea room is a good guess, by the way

 Hiba Assi 11:40
The Tea room

 James Tubbs 11:43
The servants quarters.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:45
So I'll give it away.

 Beth Oljar 11:45
The morning room? British folks have that.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:49
The tea and crumpets room.

 Dave Chow 11:50

D Dave Chow 11:50
No, no. For Mara - The nursery.,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:54
Sure. No, Hiba said tea room. It's not tea room. So - I can completely give it away. It's a very, very large room on the board.

J James Tubbs 12:02
Ballroom? Also one of our big rooms on campus. It's the ballroom Yes. Most American homes don't have one of those.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:10
Mostly. Mostly looking in a Dave Chow-ish direction when I say, On the TV show Happy Days, Potsie Weber's first name is -?

D Dave Chow 12:21
Warren

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:21
Warren. I knew you'd no this. Right.

H Heather Hill 12:24
Warren "Potsie" Weber?

D Dave Chow 12:25
Yes.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:25
Warren Potsie Weber.

S Stephen Manning 12:27
I didn't either.

B Beth Oljar 12:27
I don't think I ever knew his real name was Warren.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:28
Mm-hm. Cosmo Kramer and Warren Weber. What can I say?

J James Tubbs 12:35
Because doesn't Mrs. Cunningham always call him by his actual name instead?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:39
Oh, is that - is that for real?

D Dave Chow 12:41
No, she called Fonzie by his formal name.

J James Tubbs 12:43
Oh, that's right, Arthur. But I thought she did some more too.


B Beth Oljar 12:46
I remember that.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:48
Does anybody here know the names of Steve Irwin, the crocodile hunter's two children


H Heather Hill 12:54
Bindi and


E Erin Bell 12:56
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Steve Jr. No.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:58
Not too far from reality, Bindi gets a very remarkable name, son does not so much.


 Prasad Venugopal 13:04
Mark.

 Beth Oljar 13:05
Hal


 Dave Chow 13:06
John

 Heather Hill 13:07
Steve

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:09
None of those.

 Beth Oljar 13:12
Joe.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:13
Same first name as our athletic director at Detroit Mercy.

 Beth Oljar 13:18
That's not helping.

 Prasad Venugopal 13:19



Robert



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:20

Robert.



Heather Hill 13:26

That's a whole other world over there.



Dave Chow 13:29

Jim's gonna go find out for us.



James Tubbs 13:30

Yes Remember, when you're down there. You've gotta flush the toilet and send photos back. Uh, to see if the water twirls the other way?



Dave Chow 13:36

Yes.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:37

In what Canadian province would one find Mount Seymour? I probably should know this. That's my wife's original last name



Dave Chow 13:45

Yeah, I was gonna say. That's a family thing. British Columbia?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:47

It is BC. Is that just off the top of your head?



James Tubbs 13:49

There's lots of mountains in BC

- S** Stephen Manning 13:52
That's where most of them are.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:58
During Bill Clinton's presidency, three comedians played him on Saturday Night Live.
- P** Prasad Venugopal 14:04
Phil Hartman.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:05
Phil Hartman was the first. God rest him
- H** Heather Hill 14:07
So - the question is who are they. (Laughs)
- E** Erin Bell 14:07
Yeah, that's the only one I remember.
- D** Dave Chow 14:07
Yeah. Who else?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:13
Who are the people who portrayed President Bill Clinton?
- P** Prasad Venugopal 14:15
I didn't even wait. (Laughs)
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:20
So the second one played the older brother in a dramatic show Better Call Saul. He was Bob Odenkirk's older brother. The tall thin guy with blonde hair.

Chuck's older brother. He can talk gay with blonde hair.

E Erin Bell 14:32
Yeah.

D Dave Chow 14:33
Mike McKean?

H Heather Hill 14:33
Yes, it is.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:34
Chuck is the character's name, but the actor has the initials M M.

D Dave Chow 14:39
Michael McKean

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:39
Mike McKean

H Heather Hill 14:41
and Spinal Tap.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:42
Yep. And - last but not least- D H for the last part of Bill Clinton's -

J James Tubbs 14:46
Darrell Hammond.

H Heather Hill 14:47

Darrell Hammond - who actually did a really good job. Yeah.

B Beth Oljar 14:51
These speakers go up to 11. (Matt laughs) speaking of Spinal Tap,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:57
Who was the first woman who was US Attorney General?

B Beth Oljar 15:00
Janet Reno

H Heather Hill 15:01
Reno.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:01
Janet Reno. Yeah. Speaking of Janet Reno.


B Beth Oljar 15:03
Sandra Day O'Connor died today.


J James Tubbs 15:05
Yeah, she did.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:06
Yes. Very sad.


D Dave Chow 15:07
Hey, but George Santos got the heave-ho.


B Beth Oljar 15:09


 Yes, good news.


 Mara Livezey 15:10
Oh, he did?

 Heather Hill 15:11
Who? I'm sorry. George Santos.


 Dave Chow 15:11
Yes.


 James Tubbs 15:12
Voted out. 311 votes to get rid of him.

 Heather Hill 15:14
Oh, really? And Kissinger did as well.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:16
Yes.

 Beth Oljar 15:17
That's a mixed bag for sure.

 Stephen Manning 15:19
And the guy that was in The Pogues died too.

 Beth Oljar 15:22
Yeah,

 ... 15:22

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:23
Shane MacGowan

B Beth Oljar 15:23
I know. Because Drew noticed that you had posted it on Facebook. I'm like, "I don't know who this guy is". And then Dave Koukal posted it. And he's like, "Oh, it's the lead singer for the Pogues." I've never heard their music.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:34
Yeah, I played my students a song this morning -

P Prasad Venugopal 15:37
And this is what was posted on Facebook, "Henry Kissinger died. Never say anything about the dead unless it's good. He's dead. Good." (The professors laugh)

B Beth Oljar 15:47
Ouch!

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:49
As always, my memories of famous world figures involved when they were spoofed on The Simpsons. And if you remember what happened when he was on The Simpsons is - He dropped his glasses in the toilet accidentally. And I think that's the funniest thing I've ever heard in my entire life. He's like, "No one must know about this." What individual has appeared the most on the cover of Sports Illustrated? Not exactly a big deal anymore, but it used to be.

D Dave Chow 16:17
Michael Jordan.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:18
Michael Jordan. 50 times.

M Mara Livezey 16:19
Whoa!

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:20
I mean, that's a whole year worth of covers. That's - that's wild.

S Stephen Manning 16:24
They're now writing A - I produced stories, apparently,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:28
A - I produced human beings writing the A - I produced articles. They even made up their faces.

S Stephen Manning 16:28
Yeah

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:28
Give me a break

E Erin Bell 16:29
Yeah. I saw an A - I model who's earning \$1,000 a day, because it's easier -

D Dave Chow 16:39
Oh. Aitana?

E Erin Bell 16:39
Yeah, because it's easier to pay the AI model. Or pay the people that made her

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:43
Oh my gosh, incredible times that we live in. What do horologists work on?

D Dave Chow 16:50
Clocks.

J James Tubbs 16:52
Watches

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:52
Timepieces. Yeah, in general.

S Stephen Manning 16:54
What do they call them?

J James Tubbs 16:56
Horologists

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:57
Horologists.

D Dave Chow 16:58
Careful. Careful not W H O.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:01
No. Come on. Come on. What do the following five words have in common?

P Prasad Venugopal 17:07
English. It's like Connections on New York Times.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:10
It's true. Morgan - Obvious - Crunch - Kangaroo - America

D Dave Chow 17:19
What?

what.

P Prasad Venugopal 17:20
These are all like -

E Erin Bell 17:20
Captain?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:21
Captain!

H Heather Hill 17:25
Ohhh!

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:25
I mean, I named the cereal. I just assumed everybody would be all over that. Captain Crunch

P Prasad Venugopal 17:29
It was actually Crunch.

M Mara Livezey 17:31
Oh, and Captain Morgan. That's a rum. When you said crunch

D Dave Chow 17:40
Captain Obvious

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:47
What Disney feature has a character named Miss Bianca. It's one of my favorites Yes, That's right

D Dave Chow 17:53

D Dave Cnow 17:53
Oh, The Rescuers. The Rescuers

P Prasad Venugopal 17:57
That's pretty.obscure to me.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:59
With Bob Newhart

B Beth Oljar 18:01
He knows lots of obscure things.

P Prasad Venugopal 18:02
I know. That's why he didn't even bother. He just went straight to him for that other TV show.
Yes. It's one of the things that has not changed about the show at all.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:06
It's his - Like, that's his major. Do you know what I mean?

J James Tubbs 18:13
That - and Canada - and hockey.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:16
Oh my gosh.

H Heather Hill 18:17
Or - we're just all A -I

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:19
Well - We're just living in an A - I world at this point

H Heather Hill 18:22
Living in an A - I world.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:24
Who was the last player who played in the Negro Leagues who played in Major League Baseball as well.

S Stephen Manning 18:33
Satchel Paige

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:34
That's not what it says. I was surprised but -

B Beth Oljar 18:36
Hank Aaron?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:36
Hank Aaron is what it says

H Heather Hill 18:38
Hank Aaron. Yeah.

B Beth Oljar 18:39
I can't believe. I got that. He'd

D Dave Chow 18:41
Oh, but didn't Satchel Paige come back and pitch one game or something like that? Like - when he was almost 50?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:46

Perhaps - and by the way, still had a lot of power.

- P** Prasad Venugopal 18:48
And in which case, he would be an alum of the Negro Leagues. One game. One inning.
- H** Heather Hill 18:53
Or just sort a few innings in one game.
- D** Dave Chow 18:56
We've gotta look that one up. I'm -
- H** Heather Hill 18:58
He's suspicious.
- D** Dave Chow 18:59
Yeah, I'm very suspicious.
- H** Heather Hill 19:00
That proves that you're not A - I generated, because you're suspicious.
- D** Dave Chow 19:04
Yeah. Yellow card!
- P** Prasad Venugopal 19:04
What's the name of the family?
- S** Stephen Manning 19:06
Burroughs
- P** Prasad Venugopal 19:07

Who sent in these questions.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:08
Oh, the Burroughs family.

P Prasad Venugopal 19:10
Yeah. Dave Chow is looking it up.

J James Tubbs 19:14
He's gonna check the veracity of your answer

H Heather Hill 19:17
Challenge.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:18
I'm looking in a physics direction with this next question.

D Dave Chow 19:21
Alright you two, No pressure.

J James Tubbs 19:22
So you're going walleyed. (Laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:25
When human blood is photographed -

P Prasad Venugopal 19:28
Oh, that's biology.

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H Hiba Assi 19:28
How is that physics?

M Mara Livezey 19:30
Wait for it.

H Heather Hill 19:30
Stop interrupting.

H Hiba Assi 19:32
Okay.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:33
When blood is photographed or videoed 30 feet underwater, it's bright green. Why?

D Dave Chow 19:42
They're Vulcans?

H Heather Hill 19:42
Iron? 30 feet underwater? Does it have something to do with iron?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:48
Number one: Who is photographing human blood 30 feet under water? Number two - (Laughs)

B Beth Oljar 19:52
It's got to have something to do with- the pressure of the water? Does that have something to do with it?

P Prasad Venugopal 19:57
Nitrogen?

H Heather Hill 19:58
They turn into aliens?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:59
I haven't heard the correct answer, and I'm sort of surprised It has something to do with light

B Beth Oljar 20:04
Light?

D Dave Chow 20:04
Oh, there's no visible light down that far - possibly.

P Prasad Venugopal 20:06
It has to do with light, but what is it about light?

B Beth Oljar 20:09
My work here is done. (Laughs)

P Prasad Venugopal 20:10
Are we just talking about straight out refraction?

B Beth Oljar 20:14
Well, that's what I meant - Clearly.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:15
I mean I think that that's a good way to put it. You know, the water has basically the ability to absorb all the red light so that you can't see the red light because it's being absorbed by that much water.

H Heather Hill 20:26

Is this true in freshwater as well as saltwater?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:28
That's a good question.

H Heather Hill 20:30
Also proving that we're not A - I generated.

B Beth Oljar 20:31
I'm gonna take credit for answering that physics question

J James Tubbs 20:35
Yes, you did.

P Prasad Venugopal 20:41
To ask the philosopher: Was that inductive or deductive reasoning?

B Beth Oljar 20:44
On my part? Inductive. I'm pretty sure. Yeah.

P Prasad Venugopal 20:48
There we go.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:50
According to tradition, (I don't know if we've ever like historically confirmed this), why did pirates wear earrings?

D Dave Chow 20:59
Oh to pay for their funerals.

- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:00
Yeah, it was enough gold or whatever to pay for them to be buried. I don't know if we know this for sure.
- D** Dave Chow 21:04
That's why - Who's that actor? - Oh, Morgan Freeman does this.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:07
Yeah
- D** Dave Chow 21:08
Yeah, it's tradition that - if you die overseas, that they can take your earrings and give you a proper funeral.
- B** Beth Oljar 21:08
That's cool.
- P** Prasad Venugopal 21:16
So this is why Burt Lancaster was wearing an earring in the movie The Crimson Pirate.
- J** James Tubbs 21:16
Oh!
- M** Mara Livezey 21:16
Okay.
- D** Dave Chow 21:21
Sure. No, I don't know.
- P** Prasad Venugopal 21:22
Okay, there you go.

B Beth Oljar 21:24
I would have thought that would have come up in Black Sails - in that miniseries which is actually about pirates - and I don't recall that it ever did

S Stephen Manning 21:32
Well, this can't be just cheap costume jewelry from what -

J James Tubbs 21:35
No, it's gotta be solid gold.

P Prasad Venugopal 21:36
Yeah, the kind of burial you want depends upon the quality of the earring.

S Stephen Manning 21:36
It's gotta be good stuff.

B Beth Oljar 21:40
That's riight. Exactly.

J James Tubbs 21:44
Right. You might just be cremated instantly - if it's cheap gold.

B Beth Oljar 21:49
If you've got some rubies in there - you know - that's gonna make it better.

J James Tubbs 21:53
Paid mourners. (Laughs)

M Matt Mio. Ph.D. 21:54

...the, the, the...

Um, professors. I want to say we've had this before, but it's always good for a chuckle. In what country was Hawaiian style pizza invented?

H Heather Hill 22:06
Canada.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:07
It definitely was Canada.

D Dave Chow 22:09
Blame us Canadians.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:09
I love this sentence more than any other sentence I've read today. Hawaiian pizza was invented in Chatham, Ontario, Canada, by Greek restaurateur Sam Panopoulos at his Chinese restaurant. (The professors laugh)

B Beth Oljar 22:11
That is what you call pluralism - right there.

J James Tubbs 22:30
That is international. Yes,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:31
Yes, it is

S Stephen Manning 22:32
A multicultural pie.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:33
(laughs) Where was Bob Dylan born?

S Stephen Manning 22:38
Hibbing Minnesota

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:40
It says Duluth here, but I know Hibbing is relatively close. I'm giving it to Yeah

D Dave Chow 22:44
It's a suburb thing? Yeah,

E Erin Bell 22:46
I like your answer better.

H Heather Hill 22:48
Also proving that you're not A - I generated.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:51
That's right. Yeah, well done.

B Beth Oljar 22:51
In fact, speaking of Bob Dylan, I was watching a movie that had "Lay Lady Lay" in it, which has always been one of my favorite songs. He wrote that about Barbra Streisand. I didn't know that

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:04
freaky. Freaky.

H Heather Hill 23:06
Is anybody gonna read Barbra Streisand's biography? Oh, I

B Beth Oliar 23:08

Oh, I will.

J James Tubbs 23:09
Oh, yes

B Beth Oljar 23:09
Absolutely.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:10
Oh my gosh

J James Tubbs 23:11
Yeah. She dishes dirt.

B Beth Oljar 23:12
Barbara is it. My favorite musical in the whole world.

J James Tubbs 23:15
is which?

B Beth Oljar 23:17
Well, Funny Girl.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:18
Funny Girl. Yeah.

B Beth Oljar 23:19
But also Yentl? I mean when -

J James Tubbs 23:20
Oh, absolutely

B Beth Oljar 23:21
When I got admitted to graduate school, I went home and listened to the entire soundtrack of Yentl.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:25
Ohm my! Professors: using 2023 amounts, who makes more money as US President, Joe Biden, 2023 or George Washington, 1789.

J James Tubbs 23:38
Probably Washington.

H Hiba Assi 23:39
Washington. Yeah

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:40
Washington is the correct answer. Now let's see if we can do this scientifically. If I tell you -

D Dave Chow 23:45
Oh, I thought you were going to say "mathematically". We don't have a math professor here.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:48
For the longest time in my lifetime the President's take was \$200,000. It was just sort of set there.

J James Tubbs 23:53
Right.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:53
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P Prasad Venugopal 23:57
Wow.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:58
How much did Washington make if you know that he made more?

D Dave Chow 24:01
A million dollars?

P Prasad Venugopal 24:02
1.3 million?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:03
It's less than a million.

M Mara Livezey 24:04
950 - thousand

S Stephen Manning 24:04
800-thousand

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:06
843 thousand dollars

J James Tubbs 24:09
What was it in 1789?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:11

That's the only thing it doesn't say. And I would like to have known that.

P Prasad Venugopal 24:14
Let me work my way backwards.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:16
I'm gonna pass my economics class, Jim, by saying I don't think the dollar was as strong in 1789. (Matt and Jim laugh) Just a guess. Just a guess.

P Prasad Venugopal 24:25
I think he was paid 43,269 dollars.

B Beth Oljar 24:26
Well, it didn't have his picture on. You know, so -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:28
Right exactly. According to the people who know these things, what will get someone more intoxicated: Mixing an alcohol with a diet pop or a regular pop? Frank inserts "I changed the word 'soda' to 'po'p just for all of you"

M Mara Livezey 24:47
Aww. Thank you.

J James Tubbs 24:48
Thank you, Frank. How Michigander of you.

H Heather Hill 24:52
Wait. What was the question.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:55
What will get you more intoxicated: if you mix alcohol with diet pop or regular pop?

P Prasad Venugopal 24:59
I'm going with diet

S Stephen Manning 25:00
Regular

M Mara Livezey 25:01
Diet

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:02
Okay, you all made guesses, but you've gotta tell me why.

M Mara Livezey 25:05
Because your body can't actually metabolize the fake sugar, so it's not spending energy doing that. And it's only focusing on metabolizing the alcohol.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:14
So, if this was a curve set, I'm going in a "try again" direction; but you're really close.

E Erin Bell 25:20
Ooh - but - So because of that, maybe that means that my claim is wrong, but the reasoning was off -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:24
I believe that that's a good way to look at it. Diet pop will get you drunk faster; because if your body is working on breaking sugar down, it can't metabolize the alcohol at the same rate.

M Mara Livezey 25:35
Exactly.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:35

Yeah. So the family Burroughs, Hiba, sends us something that they call The Imponderables. And we usually have a few minutes left at the end of every episode, and I just sort of throw out there "What is your favorite - (whatever)? and everybody at the table in whatever order they want to has a chance to - to ponder them, because they wouldn't be imponderable if they were ponderable. Today's is - What's your favorite musical genre? And I'll take it just because, you know, I grew up listening to the Pogues. So it's actually really unfortunate to see that Shane MacGowan, who basically drank and drugged himself to the age of 65 passed away. Like, all my buddies were posting, "I mean, I knew this was coming." But 65 feels a little young to pass away, you know. He was a genius. And recently, Bruce Springsteen was on like Stephen Colbert. And he was asked, "Gosh, you've done so many shows, tell us something there's just no way that we already know about you". And he goes, "100 years from now, people are going to be singing Shane McGowan's songs and nobody will remember stuff that I've written". And I was like, "Whoa, that's like a big statement". So anyway, whether it's true or not.

J James Tubbs 25:52
imponders

D Dave Chow 26:43
The holiday song. yeah,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:44
Yeah, exactly. Fairytale Of New York. So - Hiba, we're waiting for you here.

H Hiba Assi 26:48
I'll take classical.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:50
Classical? Okay, good.

B Beth Oljar 26:52
That's what academics should say -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:54
(Laughs)

B Beth Oljar 26:54
I feel like.

S Stephen Manning 26:55
I would say jazz - probably

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:56
Jazz. Okay

J James Tubbs 26:57
I've never known a mathematician that did not like Bach.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:01
Interesting.


J James Tubbs 27:01
Because Bach plays with notes, inverting them and doing time key changes that are fascinating to mathematicians.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:11
Okay, we're still waiting, I think an Erin and Mara here.


E Erin Bell 27:13
I was also gonna say, there have been studies that have proven that the study of music -


B Beth Oljar 27:18
Oh, yeah.


E Erin Bell 27:18

 Erin Bell 27:19
for students, you know, so that's awesome.


 Beth Oljar 27:20
It helps with math. Yeah. There's no question.


 Erin Bell 27:22
Professors, think I revealed this before, but my mom was a DJ when I was growing up. She had her little DJ business. So it's hard for me to define, but coming up in Detroit in the 90s and early 2000s, I did enjoy a lot of the indie rock, Shoegaze, but I like Detroit garage rock.


 Mara Livezey 27:40
Okay.

 James Tubbs 27:40
I like Motown.

 Erin Bell 27:41
Yeah, Motown was great too.

 Dave Chow 27:42
WLBS

 Erin Bell 27:42
Yeah.

 Beth Oljar 27:42
The Romantics. Anything by them. Yeah.

 Heather Hill 27:45
What everybody else said. (The professors laugh)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:48
Oh, yeah, Heather. I - We haven't heard from you yet.

H Heather Hill 27:51
That's okay.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:51
Everything?

H Heather Hill 27:53
I'm pretty eclectic.

D Dave Chow 27:54
Yeah


H Heather Hill 27:54
Yeah.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:55
That's all right.


D Dave Chow 27:56
It's good to be eclectic.


S Stephen Manning 27:57
I thought she was gonna say when I'm playing the piano at home.


M Mara Livezey 28:00
Aww.


 Heather Hill 28:01
I do love that.


 Stephen Manning 28:01
Wow.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:02
Speaking of eclectic, around the table we represent a lot of different possibilities; but I'm so sorry professors. The time has come to say goodbye, Prasad.


 Prasad Venugopal 28:13
Goodbye.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:14
Beth

 Beth Oljar 28:14
Goodbye

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:15
Stephen. Heather

 Stephen Manning 28:16
Goodbye.

 Heather Hill 28:17
Buh-bye

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:17

— Jim

J James Tubbs 28:18
Farewell

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:19
Erin

E Erin Bell 28:19
Goodbye

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:20
Dave

D Dave Chow 28:21
See ya'

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:21
Hiba

H Hiba Assi 28:22
Ma'ssalaame - which means good bye in Arabic.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:24
Oh! And Mara

M Mara Livezey 28:26
Goodbye.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:27

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:27

And now these words,

 Michael Jayson 28:28

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 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:38

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