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- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:02
The University tower chimes ring in another session of Ask The Professor, the show in 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 Center for Excellence In Teaching and Learning on campus, and the Department of English, it's Professor Erin Bell.
- E** Erin Bell 00:27
Be excellent to one another. I don't know.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:28
Oh totally That's totally
- E** Erin Bell 00:30
A good reference.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:32
I think that that's great. You said something interesting when you first sat down. You were like, "When I came over here, I just left my office." I'm like, that's usually the order of things, when people do stuff.

E

Erin Bell 00:44

I just, um - I am an Irish American as well as Polish. So I'm gonna say I did the Irish goodbye. I just kind of left. I was like, "There's a little note on the calendar. See y'all later". I didn't say anything. I was looking forward to this. Meeting of the minds.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:54

That is totally cool. Absolutely cool. Yeah, Come on. This is great. It's the new crew for 2024. What can I say? Continuing around the table, Professor Stephen Manning is here, as always, from the Department of retired and possibly - what is it - Milton's Taproom? Oh, that's cool. Kansas City, Missouri.

D

Dave Chow 01:14

And a man who was also chased out of his own house, too.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:16

Oh, well.

E

Erin Bell 01:17

Uh-oh

M

Matt Mio 01:18

Oh, my, that must mean wedding preparations?

S

Stephen Manning 01:21

No.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:22

Oh, okay. I thought it was something else.

S

Stephen Manning 01:25

Well, those are ongoing.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:28
Okay.

S Stephen Manning 01:29
It's uh -And I'm led to believe that people are downplaying most of the wedding stuff.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:35
Okay.

S Stephen Manning 01:36
It's gotten so expensive. And so that's not the case here. This is a mammoth - going on two year - planning. And a lot of this is done on the internet and, I mean, "save the date" cards, and it's out in Benton Harbor. in September, so, you know, we've gotta schlep out there.

M Matt Mio 01:36
Got it. The left side of the state. Okay

S Stephen Manning 01:53
That's what they want, and I guess people should do what they want to do

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:56
Okay but that's not the reason you were kicked out of the house?

S Stephen Manning 01:59
No, I was contemplating whether to come or not, knowing Heather was not. And she said "Why don't you go. It'll be good for you to get out of the house."

D Dave Chow 02:14
As she's changing the locks right about now, right?

S Stephen Manning 02:18

Yeah. 'm wondering - I said "I will walk the dog when I get back."

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:23

Oh, there you go.

S Stephen Manning 02:24

The dog is recuperating from -

D Dave Chow 02:26

What ?!

S Stephen Manning 02:27

ACL tear surgery.

D Dave Chow 02:31

Oooh! Did somebody give him a chop block?

S Stephen Manning 02:33

No, he was tearing around the backyard - which he rarely does. He's a fairly quiet dog and he just pulled up lame and in great pain. So this was three weeks ago, we took him in and (the vet said) "Yeah, I know what this is." They did X rays. That's what it is. He had surgery, the whole bit. And they shaved a good part of his back left hind quarter.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:33

Oh,

S Stephen Manning 02:40

And of course he's a husky. So he's very fuzzy.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:58

Yes,

S Stephen Manning 02:58
Hairy dog. And he looks very very strange. All this pink, bare skin. And we're told it may not come back.

M Matt Mio 03:05
Oh, no.

S Stephen Manning 03:07
Because of his thyroid condition.

K Kendra Evans 03:08
Oh, no.

D Dave Chow 03:10
Great. can you get Rogaine for Huskies?

S Stephen Manning 03:13
We are warned "Do not let him out of the house without the leash." And he wants to take his regular walk. And we usually - when he wants to go out, we just open the back door. He goes out in weather like this. You know. when he wants to come in, he'll bark at the back door, and we'll let him in. But he wants to go and he's limping less. So he's been in for a post-op thing. He has a second one on Monday, but he's doing exactly what they want him to do.

J James Tubbs 03:38
Can you get a hindquarters toupee?

M Matt Mio 03:40
(Laughs)

S Stephen Manning 03:42
We did get a - (shows Matt a photo on his phone) He's shedding more now. And we'd asked the

vet about this. And she said, Well, it has nothing was surgery other than he's probably more stressed now". So they -

M Matt Mio 03:47
Poor guy. (Laughing) Oh, my!

D Dave Chow 03:47
Uh-oh, wait a minute. Vanity. Vanity We can collect this. We could collect this and, um -

J James Tubbs 04:00
Have a wig made

S Stephen Manning 04:01
Heather's idea was give it to Olivia and she could knit- or something, cause that's what she does.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:05
Oh my gosh.

S Stephen Manning 04:06
Or we could just collect it and get the glue out and put it back on.

D Dave Chow 04:09
I've got the perfect spray mount for you so, don't worry about it.

E Erin Bell 04:11
Thats a real thing. That's a real crafting thing - making items out of pet fur.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:17
So I'm with Dave, when you say ACL I'm just sort of like, you know is his contract to play second base for the you know, the upcoming Expos reboot still on tap. You know what I mean? Like, I just hear someone tears their ACL - it's very sports related

just hear someone tears their ACL, it's very sports related.

D Dave Chow 04:32
It's a little chop block.

M Matt Mio 04:33
Yeah

S Stephen Manning 04:33
They're hoping they didn't sign the long term contract with him. A week before the injury.

M Matt Mio 04:37
(Laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:39
Well, here's someone who's about to take a long term contract - of travel! It's Professor James Balfour Tubbs.

J James Tubbs 04:44
Yes, it's coming up pretty soon.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:46
Yeah. Tell us about it.

J James Tubbs 04:47
Well, I'm going to be flying to Australia on the 31st and then getting on the ship in Brisbane and going up and down the coast up to the Great Barrier Reef

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:59
So cool

J James Tubbs 05:00
And then coming back to Brisbane and getting on another ship that goes around New Zealand

E Erin Bell 05:00
Oh my gosh.

J James Tubbs 05:05
And then coming down to Sydney and then flying home.

D Dave Chow 05:09
Stop that last one. You don't have to come home.

J James Tubbs 05:12
I may be tempted to stay. Although in Queensland province where Brisbane is, you know, they've had all those reports at brown tree snakes curling up on the roof and leaping off. I don't know how I can avoid that if the eaves

D Dave Chow 05:26
Don't worry about it. If Miss Diane Manica can deal with the Gila monsters and rattlesnakes, you can deal with a flying -

J James Tubbs 05:26
Well, Diane will be there too, and I'm sure she'll probably be walking around with a parasol wherever she goes. At least under the eaves-

D Dave Chow 05:38
So make sure it's a bigger parasol for two

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:40
I'm totally - I'm totes jelly that you get to go to basically Middle Earth. I mean, that's where you're headed. New Zealand, right?

J James Tubbs 05:47
Yeah.

D Dave Chow 05:48
Wait a minute, Jim. Did you tell everyone the assignment that you've been given?

J James Tubbs 05:52
Oh, yeah. To take a picture of the toilet flushing in the other direction.

M Matt Mio 05:57
Of course.

D Dave Chow 05:58
It's research. You can write it off. You can write it off.

E Erin Bell 06:01
I thought you're gonna ask for Vegemite.

D Dave Chow 06:03
Well, that too.

J James Tubbs 06:05
You're welcome to it.

D Dave Chow 06:07
And it's enough.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:09
Professor Dan Maggio is here. Dan, how was your break?

D Dan Maggio 06:12
Good, actually, except I was sick most of December.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:15
Oh,

D Dan Maggio 06:16
but I did not have a torn ACL though. So

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:19
Okay, good. No, that's good.

D Dan Maggio 06:20
But it was good. Actually It was a nice break.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:22
Nice.

D Dan Maggio 06:22
Spent some time up north.

A Announcer 06:24
Okay,

D Dan Maggio 06:24
that was nice.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:25
They probably, when you were there, didn't have much snow. Right?

D Dan Maggio 06:30
In fact, it barely snowed when we were there.

M Matt Mio 06:32
Wow. So wild.

D Dan Maggio 06:33
But now they have snow.

M Matt Mio 06:34
Yes. The skiing can now commence. Excellent. Professor Kendra Evans here from Chemistry & Biochemistry is back question mark. You know, I mean -

K Kendra Evans 06:45
It's so good to be back.

M Matt Mio 06:46
Yes, it is. Yes. It is good to have you back.

J James Tubbs 06:49
So good to have you back.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:50
Yes.

K Kendra Evans 06:51
It's great to be here

D Dave Chow 06:52

It's gonna be nice calling out your name when you can actually answer for once.

E Erin Bell 06:54
That's true. All the math.

K Kendra Evans 06:57
It's not actually math. It's just random number guessing.

D Dave Chow 07:00
It's better than any of us. Right?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:04
Well, we're glad to have you. We have this really interesting event in the College of Engineering & Science tonight - the Dean's Pasta Dinner. And we haven't had it for four years because of the pandemic, so it will be interesting to see how it goes.

K Kendra Evans 07:17
I'm looking forward to that as well.

S Stephen Manning 07:19
Is this a contest thing?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:21
It is not. It's just the deans will cook you dinner, but it's just pasta and sauces. That's-

S Stephen Manning 07:25
Not like the chili thing (cookoff)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:26
No, not like that.

J James Tubbs 07:28
What does Katie make?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:30
I mean, three or four different shapes of pasta.

J James Tubbs 07:33
I'm looking in the Italian direction here, and three or four different sauces and a couple of vegetables. That's basically it. It's like a give back, but it's a social - Wow,

K Kendra Evans 07:41
No I think there is wine too.

S Stephen Manning 07:43
Oh really? What time does this start?

D Dave Chow 07:46
I was gonna say-

D Dan Maggio 07:48
Will there be bread, Italian bread. ?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:50
I really hope there's some.

D Dan Maggio 07:51
Because really you have to have that

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:53
You've got to eat the sauce at the end off your plate, right?

J James Tubbs 07:55
Right. You've got to mop it up with something. Eww!

D Dave Chow 07:57
That's what the tongue is for. Isn't it?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:00
And speaking of tongue, the silver tongue of Professor Dave Chow

D Dave Chow 08:04
Hmm.

S Stephen Manning 08:04
What?!

D Dave Chow 08:05
Pleasure be here, as always.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:06
Well, glad to have you here, Dave. You're swearing off of Mountain Dew?

D Dave Chow 08:10
No not swearing off a Mountain Dew I just swear by it. That's all.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:16
Got it. It's like you're recovering dew a Holic or something?

D Dave Chow 08:21
No, I had a few over the break when I needed it. So it's the get up and go

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E Erin Bell 08:26
You can quit at anytime

D Dave Chow 08:28
anytime. It just not time

M Matt Mio 08:32
This is a program you can send us questions regarding anything if you stumped the panel you win a prize if you don't stumped the panel, you win a prize. Send us the questions in a number of ways you can email us at ATP at UDMercy.edu find us on Facebook and Instagram. Or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking you to play ask the professor at University of Detroit Mercy. Dear professors, it has come to this attentive listener that on more than one occasion. Professor Tubbs has been interested in cruise ship question. Oh, no.

D Dave Chow 09:04
What have you what have you brought?

J James Tubbs 09:07
what I asked about but go ahead

M Matt Mio 09:09
With a quick google search. I found them on cold for me at all things cruz.com I hope the questions proved fun and challenging to Professor Tubbs dot dot dot and the rest of the crew

S Stephen Manning 09:22
Can the rest of us just step out-

J James Tubbs 09:23
I don't know that much about Cruiseships

D Dave Chow 09:27

D Dave Chow 09:23
No You want to play cribbage while Jim goes at it?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:29
It's our it's our friend Judy Palmer. So Thank you Judy, for sending these questions in this is great.

D Dave Chow 09:34
We thank you now but we might not

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:35
Let's just see if we can hit any one of these criteria. Spot on which ship is often credited as being the first modern cruise ship specifically passenger comfort and enjoyment versus transport. Could you name the ship? The company or possibly the year that it launched

S Stephen Manning 09:52
Carnival ?

D Dave Chow 09:54
It's not the pinto or the santamarie

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:54
Doesn't say that

J James Tubbs 09:56
It's the first cruise ship for what?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:58
Just for enjoyment instead of transport, that's what they're asking about.

S Stephen Manning 10:03
You were on the basis of-

...you were on the basis of...

J James Tubbs 10:06
Probably the Mardi Gras carnival Mardi Gras. Okay.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:11
It says fifth of January 1901.

K Kendra Evans 10:14
Oh

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:15
The Prinzessin Victoria Louise named the Kaiser Wilhelm the second standard launched from Hamburg, Germany.

K Kendra Evans 10:22
I was gonna ask if it had any royalty.

J James Tubbs 10:24
Where did he go?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:25
I mean, come on. It's got to be royal. Right. Sadly, less than five years later. This is actually a well phrased, the groundbreaking vessel became stuck in the rocks off of Kingston, Jamaica.

D Dave Chow 10:38
Jamaica?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:38
More like hull-breaking

D Dave Chow 10:41
Germany to Jamaica?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:43
Yeah, apparently that was the-

J James Tubbs 10:44
Well, they had to go someplace warm.

S Stephen Manning 10:48
Not a bad place to be grounded,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:49
Not at all. We're going to go back to the specific skills set of skills that Kendra has here. According to pre pandemic data from the cruise industry, approximately how many passengers sailed cruise ships worldwide. In 2019, your breath is from 15 million to 38 million.

D Dave Chow 11:12
So how many years that span?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:14
This is just 2019. How many people sailed worldwide on cruise ships?

J James Tubbs 11:19
I'd say 29 million

D Dan Maggio 11:26
23

S Stephen Manning 11:26
Kendra?

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K Kendra Evans 11:26
24 million.

S Stephen Manning 11:26
26million.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:26
So Jim got it. Right. It's 29 million.

D Dave Chow 11:30
Well, that's just because Jim keeps on getting on and off the same boat.

J James Tubbs 11:33
Well, I was on a cruise ship that year. Somewhere.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:37
That was awesome.

D Dan Maggio 11:38
How many of those got sick from food poisoning?

M Matt Mio 11:40
Oh, my. I don't know about that.

D Dan Maggio 11:43
Sorry. Jim

J James Tubbs 11:44

Noroviruses Yes.

D Dan Maggio 11:46
Yes.

M Matt Mio 11:48
Which is the only liner - (I don't know - only? you know, "every" "never" that sort of makes me a little bit worried) that allows passengers to bring aboard their dog or cat or ferret?

D Dave Chow 11:59
Stephen, you can take the dog on it.

D Dan Maggio 12:01
Dog, cat or ferret?

S Stephen Manning 12:02
Take him on little rehab cruise.

D Dan Maggio 12:04
Why a ferret and not parakeets?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:06
Jim, It says "This ship of reliably sails between New York and Southampton.,UK all the time. Do you know what ship this is?"

J James Tubbs 12:13
Must be the Queen Mary 2

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:15
It is the Queen Mary 2. Yes

J James Tubbs 12:17
Because they've got kennels

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:18
Yes, that's exactly what it says.

J James Tubbs 12:19
That is actually an ocean liner.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:21
Yeah.

J James Tubbs 12:21
They're ort of the last ones

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:22
See? Look at this.

D Dave Chow 12:23
So, there's a kennel on board this thing?

J James Tubbs 12:25
Oh, yeah.

S Stephen Manning 12:26
For the corgis

J James Tubbs 12:27
All the major liners used to have have - In fact, the the most beautiful of the trans=Atlantic liners, the Normandy her third funnel with a dummy and it included the kennel inside of it.

M Matt Mio 12:38
That's cool.

D Dave Chow 12:40
So there's actually a ship steward that takes care of the animals?

J James Tubbs 12:44
Yeah, and they have fake fire hydrants and other things for their use.

D Dan Maggio 12:49
I was gonna ask how do they con - not convince - but how do they encourage the dogs to do their business when it's not a normal - ?

D Dave Chow 12:55
I don't think you have to encourage.

J James Tubbs 12:57
I think when a dog sees a fire hydrant and smells that other dogs have been there, they will do their business.

D Dan Maggio 13:01
Alright

J James Tubbs 13:02
Well, The France - I came back on The France (which was later The Norway) from La Habra to New York in 73, they had a kennel up on the top deck then and they had people that would go and walk the dogs, you know. And their owners could come and visit them.

D Dave Chow 13:19
Stephen, there's your next trip.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:21
That's so cool.

S Stephen Manning 13:22
I was in LaHabra. It was on a Navy destroyer

E Erin Bell 13:25
Wow

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:28
Oh my gosh

K Kendra Evans 13:29
(Laughs) That's a different flavor.

S Stephen Manning 13:30
Very different. Yes

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:32
Professors: Roughly speaking, where is the very dangerous Iceberg Alley?

D Dave Chow 13:39
At the end of our street?

J James Tubbs 13:40
Off the Grand Banks of Newfoundland?

D Dan Maggio 13:43
Yeah, Newfoundland?

- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:43
I'm gonna give it to you. It's basically- broadly between Newfoundland and Labrador, the stretch of water that sees the most icebergs of any major ship
- J** James Tubbs 13:51
Especially in April.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:52
Yes, exactly. Many scenes, (not all but many) scenes from The Poseidon Adventure movie were filmed aboard
- J** James Tubbs 14:00
The Queen Mary.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:01
Queen Mary
- D** Dave Chow 14:02
Was it Long Beach, is it?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:03
Long Beach. That's exactly what it says. Absolutely. Let's see here. What company featured identical twin executive chefs aboard two of its vessels? Holy smokes!
- S** Stephen Manning 14:03
Twin?
- D** Dave Chow 14:03
Twin chefs?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:03
I mean, I can say the name of the ships; and I bet Jim will get it. Yorkshire born identical twins Nicholas and Mark Oldroyd are both executive chefs aboard the Queen Victoria and the Queen Mary II, so what line is that?

J James Tubbs 14:34
That's Cunard

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:35
Cunard. That's right, there you go. I knew I could get an answer -

D Dave Chow 14:38
So is that like a sales gimmick?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:40
I don't know. That's odd.


J James Tubbs 14:41
That is the upper crust in - well, that and Seaborne are the upper crust end of ocean cruising. Cunard is now owned by Carnival Corporation. It has been for some time.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:55
That's right.


S Stephen Manning 14:56
You see ads for the chefs on - I saw one recently - a print ad, I think - Wolfgang Puck.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:02
Yep, sure.


J James Tubbs 15:05


 James Tubbs 15:05
Well, they invite them aboard for cruises for periods of time


 Dave Chow 15:09
I saw the Star Trek cruise ad.

 Erin Bell 15:10
I was just gonna say that. My lifelong goal- the Star Trek cruise

 Dan Maggio 15:15
The Star Trek cruise?


 Erin Bell 15:18
Yeah.

 Dave Chow 15:19
Can we drag Dan along ?

 Erin Bell 15:20
Yes. Everyone's-

 Dave Chow 15:22
Put on your Vulcan ears and let's go

 Erin Bell 15:23
Cosplay

 Dan Maggio 15:24
Do you have to dress up?



E Erin Bell 15:25
Drink Romulan ale.

D Dave Chow 15:27
For the dinners, I've seen. A friend of mine actually went on one. He and his wife were dressed -

J James Tubbs 15:33
I think I would be a Tribble (laughs). An easy costume..

D Dave Chow 15:39
What? Are you gonna multiply exponentially?

E Erin Bell 15:41
I'm gonna say that's a different cruise.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:44
Professors: Did you know - ?


J James Tubbs 15:46
Yes.

D Dave Chow 15:48
Not at all.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:50
Did you know that cruise ships, when they are christened, they are assigned - Traditionally they're assigned a godmother, someone to watch over them, often a celebrity to bring people to the christening event. Dame Shirley Bassey, Dame Julie Andrews, Dame Judi Dench. Twiggy herself is a godmother. But in 2015, the first male godfather to christen a cruise ship happened. Can you name the person? It was for the Norwegian Escape.

S Stephen Manning 16:21


 Stephen Manning 16:21
Daniel Craig ?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:22
No, I mean, I think that you have to blur the line between A , B and C list. That's all I'm gonna say.


 Dave Chow 16:27
What - we're talking about like a Marty Feldman?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:31
He's a performer. I would not call him an actor of any kind. He's mostly known for rap

 Stephen Manning 16:43
Not Jay-Z. Like

 Dave Chow 16:45
What - like Snoop Dogg?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:47
No. It's not even obvious rap. It's not like Dr. Dre or anything. It's Pitbull. He became the first godfather to a cruise ship

 James Tubbs 16:56
Which ship was this?

 Matt Mio 16:57
It was the Norwegian Escape

 James Tubbs 16:59
That he's the godfather- Oh, that's a huge ship.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:02
Yeah, that is a big ship. Let's go back to -

D Dave Chow 17:04
So can you put that down on your resume? That you were a godfather to a cruise ship?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:11
Wait. You mean you don't have one yet?

J James Tubbs 17:16
No

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:17
Let's go technical here, because this will be fun. Sailing at an average speed 34.51 knots westbound across the Atlantic, which cruise ship still officially holds the Blue Riband seal?

J James Tubbs 17:29
Oh the SS United States

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:31
The SS United States

J James Tubbs 17:32
Which is rotting away in Philadelphia.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:34
That's is right. Could you grab what year that happened in, Jim?

J James Tubbs 17:40
1953

53'

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:41

This man is unconscionable. You know, my dad took the SS United States to go visit his family in Italy when he was three years old; which, for the record, was 1952. So I think that's kind of freaky.

K Kendra Evans 17:41

That's pretty cool

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:41

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E Erin Bell 17:41

What!

J James Tubbs 17:47

It's the only ship - Well, It made it across the Atlantic in less than four days.

E Erin Bell 18:00

Wow.

J James Tubbs 18:00

Which is Unthinkable.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:01

Unthinkable. Yes, exactly. It literally just got decommissioned just a couple of years ago, like properly decommissioned, I want to say. Even if it's been out of circulation. What US state is most economically influenced -(Everybody looks at the map) by the cruise industry.

E Erin Bell 18:18

Florida

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:19
It is not Nebraska. What percentage of all cruises been involve the United States of America take place in or out of Florida? Florida

J James Tubbs 18:29
I'd say 70 percent

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:31
You know it only says 47 I'll give it to ya.

D Dan Maggio 18:31
80

J James Tubbs 18:34
Well, it's Florida, Texas, New York, and California that are the biggest

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:39
Says California-

K Kendra Evans 18:40
And Alaska too

J James Tubbs 18:42
Well, no, but they go to Alaska they go from Washington State.

D Dave Chow 18:47
Okay, that makes sense.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:48

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:10

Is says California is a distinct second, but it's very very far. So yeah, absolutely. That's so so odd. lifeboats are a necessity aboard cruise ships just in case the need arises

S

Stephen Manning 19:01

True.

D

Dave Chow 19:02

Yes. I agree.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:04

What is the name of the special steel winch like device that launches lifeboats over-

J

James Tubbs 19:09

A dabit

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:10

A babit that's a great word by the way.

E

Erin Bell 19:12

You're like winning today

D

Dave Chow 19:14

Erin you want to go go fish

E

Erin Bell 19:16

I know right

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:18

This is awesome.

J James Tubbs 19:19

The the third sister ship well, okay, the White Star Line wanted to build three ships so that they would have like weekly, New York to Southampton service. The third ship was originally supposed to be called gigantic. They thought after the Titanic went down. It was a bit of pretentious a name so it became the Britannic. But if you see pictures of the Britannic after what happened to the Titanic, it had these huge they weren't they weren't debits they were gantries that went up about two stories and they could stack like 4 rows of lifeboats and each one

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:53

That's incredible

J James Tubbs 19:54

To launch and it unfortunately was sunk by mine.

E Erin Bell 19:57

Wow

D Dave Chow 19:59

And gonna call that thing The gigantic

J James Tubbs 20:01

In World War One.

D Dave Chow 20:02

It's not too appealing of a name.

J James Tubbs 20:05

Well, Olympic and Titanic were sort of Prometheus names to start with.

D Dave Chow 20:11

The SS portly or something like

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:14
Professors which cruise company boasts the most ships 80 River and ocean going vessels total.
That's a lot of

D Dave Chow 20:21
Viking?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:22
Viking is correct. Yes, not actually

J James Tubbs 20:22
Viking Cause of all those river boats.

D Dave Chow 20:27
Yes. Those are ones you were telling me about?

K Kendra Evans 20:29
They also must have the most commercials

D Dave Chow 20:31
probably.

J James Tubbs 20:31
Oh, if you've ever been on a Viking cruise, you will receive glossy catalogs, sometimes twice a week for the rest of your life. I wonder how many forests they destroyed.

S Stephen Manning 20:44
I made an inquiry once and I get those so do the river things. Oh, yeah. No, I get them all the time.

D Dave Chow 20:51

D Dave Chow 20:51
Oh, I better not click on that

K Kendra Evans 20:52
Those are the ones that draw me in.

S Stephen Manning 20:54
Up and down the Mississippi mostly. All the way up. Wow. Yeah. Professors, all the horns on the Disney Cruise Line ships play the first notes of what tune

J James Tubbs 21:05
doo doo doo doo doo doo doo.

D Dan Maggio 21:08
When you wish upon.

E Erin Bell 21:09
Oh, I gonna say Steamboat Willie.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:12
It's Not no longer copy written so. Oh my gosh. Yeah, I love Jim giving us the interactive there that was

J James Tubbs 21:20
I was in the Bahamas one one time. And our ship was next to that and the other music that we get here. blasting away on the decks I was ready to leave.

D Dave Chow 21:38
So is there is there a person playing this on a pipe organ in the boat?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:42
I believe it's actually set to it

I believe it's actually set to 10,

D Dave Chow 21:44
Is it programmed ?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:47
No it's programmed

J James Tubbs 21:47
It's digitally programed That's what it is.

D Dave Chow 21:49
I just want make sure wasn't like the Red Wings. You know Oregon players.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:52
Oh, right. Oh, that's cool. All right. Here's here's one for the ages. This is doable by everybody. And it's totally wild. Many cruise vessels visit the great State of Alaska we've had this established. How big is Alaska's coastline hold the phone? Is it slightly larger than California? roughly equal to that of the continental United States? Less than half of the United States almost equal to Michigan or three times the coastline of the continental United States.

S Stephen Manning 22:23
C

D Dan Maggio 22:23
The third one

S Stephen Manning 22:24
C

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:25
The third one was less than half of the continental United States.

J James Tubbs 22:28
Yep.

S Stephen Manning 22:28
Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:29
I'll Buy that- yes. Three times the size of the continental United States. Well, yeah, cuz it goes Alaska is gigantic. Okay. Absolutely.

J James Tubbs 22:41
A little fuel. Really? Yeah, it goes in and out. No,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:45
I'm looking at that map that can be the scale so yeah, least I don't think I hope does Michigan count as part of the coastline? Borders Canada. So that tiny little piece that goes into the Boundary Waters and Minnesota you know, stuff like that important stuff here, folks. Okay, let's see. Iceland pro cruises does a masterful job presenting the wonders of both Iceland and Greenland to its passengers. Do you know what the nickname of Iceland is? Get away from the volcanoes. I'm gonna give it partial credit.

J James Tubbs 23:17
Genetic inbreeding Island.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:19
Oh, hey, hold back these commentary here. A land of fire and ice. Oh, that sounds more

J James Tubbs 23:30
lately. Lately that has been very, very true. Yeah. A lot of ice and a lot of fire.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:36

It just feels more like a Madison Avenue tagline than like the Wolverine state okay, but that you can't No one really market it. You know, this is like, land to fire and ice. Oh my gosh. Captain Stubing was the famous fictional captain for of course The Love Boat. What actor played his near do well, brother Marshall. They're catering to the played. He played Charles. Yeah, he did. He played both. Cloud. I think he had like a little bit more hair, quarter to bottom and he had a he had a toupee on when he was playing his brother, so fantastic. All right. We have a bonus question. That was 20 Questions Jim. Smoked every last one of them pretty amazing. One woman holds the record for being godmother of the most cruise ships. Who would that be 14 vessels for MSC Cruises? Mrs. Pitbull? Goes by Mrs.

K Kendra Evans 24:34

Is it the queen? Is she Royal?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:36

The queen is a great guest. This is a classic Golden Era. Hollywood actress. I apologize Generation X I don't know whether she's alive.

S Stephen Manning 24:46

Oh, hell, Aaron.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:49

I mean, you're in the wheelhouse with Helen Mirren. But it is a I will give it completely away a Italian field. It's a field rinse tool.

J James Tubbs 24:59

Yeah, she

D Dave Chow 25:02

used to write in No, no, no. She's like one of the tools after Harry Belafonte

J James Tubbs 25:07

movie at 89. She did. Absolutely she did. I'd like

K Kendra Evans 25:11

to bring us back to the time that Professor Tubbs said he didn't know a lot about cruise ships.

J James Tubbs 25:18

There were a lot of questions that had to do with ocean liners and

M Matt Mio 25:22

distinction. Yes, thank you. Yeah, absolutely. Well, we're in great luck here. Dear professors. Admittedly, it's getting tougher and tougher to come up with this list for your show. But here's 20 more for the rest of your season here. As always the warmest greetings from Frank in the burrows family, so we can delve into the list of imponderable no new imponderables. So let's go to level two here. What is your favorite song writer? Favorite song writer. had an interesting discussion with someone over the weekend about the catalogue. McCartney and Lennon. They sort of their their songs were performed better by other people, recording artists. Dylan's were performed

J James Tubbs 26:09

better by everybody.

D Dave Chow 26:12

Or by anything.

M Matt Mio 26:14

Oh, that's true.

S Stephen Manning 26:16

I would say Jeff Tweedy. Oh, okay. Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:19

Give us some starting points here. Stephen. Oh,

S Stephen Manning 26:22

impossible. Germany. What's the second part of the impossible Germany? Unlikely Japan. Okay. It's just no one knows what it means. Doesn't he doesn't we have one of those constantly bought a book of his lyrics? Okay. Okay. And we said, well, that will finally be able to figure out

bought a book of his lyrics? Okay. Okay. And we said, well, that will finally be able to figure out what this is. So we read the lyrics to the song didn't help me. It's probably better without us to great, John. Yeah.

D Dave Chow 26:49
I'm waiting to see what Aaron's responses you Carole King.

E Erin Bell 26:55
That is a solid choice.

J James Tubbs 26:56
Very cheap. And carpenters. Yep. She's a great, very,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:59
very good, excellent. I mean, I'll fill in the gap here by saying and it's super stereotypical, but this is what I grew up with. So whenever I read even recent stuff, by oh my gosh, but my brain just went completely blank. Brian Wilson, oh, yeah, it's good. I just, you know, I play. Don't worry, baby for my students. And they're like, that's garbage. And I'm like, that was written by a 17 and a half year old and McCartney and Lennon bowed down to it. So I think you might want to pay attention. No comment. No comment.

K Kendra Evans 27:32
I think mine might be John Denver, John Denver.

D Dave Chow 27:35
Very good. Yeah, he wrote a bunch of other stuff. Who else Rocky Mountain

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:39
High? Yeah.

K Kendra Evans 27:41
What about any song? Oh,

D Dave Chow 27:43
jeez.

J James Tubbs 27:45
I think Carole King's output though probably touched so many genres of music and it's

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:51
It's true.

D Dave Chow 27:52
What about Burt Bacharach?

E Erin Bell 27:55
Oh, yeah!

M Matt Mio 27:56
As long as he doesn't sing on his own.

D Dave Chow 27:58
Oh, yeah. True.

M Matt Mio 27:59
Dan, we're waiting for you.

D Dan Maggio 28:00
I have no answer.

D Dave Chow 28:02
Wait, Dan, I've got one. Cole Porter.

D Dan Maggio 28:04
I'm really not a music person.

M Matt Mio 28:06
That's okay. So I've never considered songs that I would appreciate the lyrics. So I don't know what to say. All right, I like Carole King.

E Erin Bell 28:15
Okay.

D Dan Maggio 28:15
The great Broadway shows.

M Matt Mio 28:17
Absolutely


D Dave Chow 28:17
Leonard Cohen


E Erin Bell 28:18
Oh, there. That's a good choice.


S Stephen Manning 28:19
Joni Mitchell.

D Dan Maggio 28:23
What about the folks that wrote all the Broadway shows? Like Sound of Music?


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:27
Oh, Rogers and Hammerstein

 Dave Chow 28:28
There you go. That's a good one.


 Matt Mio 29:30
Professors, I'm so sorry the time has come for us to say goodbye, Dave.

 Dave Chow 30:04
See ya


 Matt Mio 30:07
Kendra

 Kendra Evans 30:08
Bye

 Matt Mio 30:09
Dan


 Dan Maggio 30:09
Goodbye

 Matt Mio 30:09
Jim.


 James Tubbs 30:10
Goodbye


 Matt Mio 30:11
Stephen

Stephen.

 Stephen Manning 30:11
Goodbye

 Matt Mio 30:12
Erin

 Erin Bell 30:12
Goodbye.

 Matt Mio 30:13
And now these words,

 Announcer 30:15
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