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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:02

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. Let's wrap up this season right. It's Professor Beth Oljar.

- B Beth Oljar 00:20 Good to be here.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:21

 Excellent. I noticed that there is both a cat on your shirt and on your phone, so I'm picking up a
- B Beth Oljar 00:27
 I'm just a crazy cat lady, just a childless, crazy cat lady, you know, not invested in the future of my country at all. (The professors laugh)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:36

 I feel like that you've had many, many children - intellectual children over the years who've taken your courses. Don't you feel like that's uh a perspective?

- B Beth Oljar 00:45 Yes.
- James Tubbs 00:46

 And most of them meow beautifully (The professors laugh)
- Beth Oljar 00:49
 But I don't have to scoop up their poop with a tiny shovel, so that's a plus.
- Dave Chow 00:53

 None that you know of.
- James Tubbs 00:53 Not yet.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:54
 At least not yet.
- B Beth Oljar 00:54 Not yet (laughs)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:57

 Not so far. Continuing down the table, Professor Heather Hill, where are we gonna go?
- H Heather Hill 01:03
 I don't know. I'm still thinking about tiny shovels.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:06
 (Laughs) Well, but you like tiny shovels because you're a gardener.

- H Heather Hill 01:10
 That's true. I do. I do have an assortment of shovels.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:13
 We're glad to have you here, Heather.
- H Heather Hill 01:15
 Thank you.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:16

 Professor Dan Maggio is here with us. He's still, still in summer mode. I think that's appropriate to say. It's August.
- Dan Maggio 01:20
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:20

 Just in general, we're all in summer mode.
- Dan Maggio 01:26
 Is that a reference to how I'm dressed?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:28

 No, you know, it's actually your personality.
- James Tubbs 01:30 You just glow.
- Dan Maggio 01:34
 The tan, the orange glow on my face?

- James Tubbs 01:36
 That's it.
- Dan Maggio 01:37
 I would just like say I'm really happy with the crowd today.
- H Heather Hill 01:41 Me too.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:41
 This is the biggest crowd we've ever performed in front of.
- H Heather Hill 01:44
 We are feeling the energy.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:45
 Absolutely. (Laughs) We'll continue with the intros. Professor Jim Tubbs is here.
- James Tubbs 01:53
 Yes. Except -I. Except I might be only, you know, ethereally here.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:58
 Oh!
- James Tubbs 01:59
 I've discovered that I've been A-I generated.
- H Heather Hill 01:59 Oh, how cool!

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:59
 Oh, my gosh!
- James Tubbs 01:59
 I was in the crowd that our former president has described as A-I generated, so I guess that means me. (laughs)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:59
 I mean, it's possible that you're just a series of mirrors and smoke and all kinds of -
- James Tubbs 01:59
 I'd love to be holographic. That's right. A reflection off the fuselage of the plane.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:17
 Right.
- B Beth Oljar 02:17
 He wasn't actually at the Detroit airport.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:20
 I mean, either that or you're a Jedi and you're just force projecting yourself from another planet.
- James Tubbs 02:24
 That sounds better, actually.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:26
 Anything's possible.
- lames Tuhhs 02·27

- I like that.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:27
 I know Professor Erin Bell knows what I'm referring to.
- Erin Bell 02:31
 Force ghost, that's awesome. Maybe a holographic projection on the holodeck.
- James Tubbs 02:35 Ooh, yes.
- Erin Bell 02:36
 I'm honored to be sitting next to you.
- Dave Chow 02:37 Holodeck? Holo sweet.
- Erin Bell 03:11
 Uh, really, really well. I'm still in the summer glow, but I'm also a crazy cat lady too.
- H Heather Hill 03:12 Yes.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:12
 How's it going, Erin? Oh, yeah. That's right. The cat pattern.
- Beth Oljar 03:13
 We rule the world.

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:13

 Yes. Excellent. Well, we're going to grab on to these last few days and hours of summer in any way that we can. I know that Professor Dave Chow drives around a beautiful, beautiful It's Plymouth?

 Dave Chow 03:14

 with a little bit of incontinence, but we won't go there. (The professors laugh).
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:14
 Oh, my gosh! Oh, shoot! Oh, wow.
- Dave Chow 03:17 close it's in the family. Chrysler.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:17 Yes a dark green chrysler
- Dave Chow 03:17
 54 its a 70 year old lady this year.
- B Beth Oljar 03:19
 That's like right out of CHRISTEENE.
- Dave Chow 03:21
 Pretty much
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:22
 Wearing his Detroit Stars jersey, fashionable as always, Professor Jason Roach, our executive producer.
- Jason Roche 03:28

And very nappy to be nere. Very nappy to be recording in this location. This has a lot of great memories for me. I love this place, and happy to be with you all.

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:40
 Forks uh, folks forks, whatever
- James Tubbs 03:43
 Spoons.
- B Beth Oljar 03:43
 Knives.
- Dave Chow 03:44
 No chopsticks?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:46

We're coming to you live from the lower level of the Detroit Historical Museum here in the great city of Detroit, in the great state of Michigan. So we're very, very happy to have been invited back. But I think most folks know that this is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you win one of our prizes. You can send us the questions in a number of ways - emailing 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. Okey dokey. I'm pretty sure that you all are going to get a big kick out of something that I just kind of threw together yesterday, knowing that it'll be a good seasoning for the rest of the stew here. So children born after the year 2010 are referred to as Generation Alpha, the internet's newest darlings. Though their separation from Gen Z is just a matter of a year, quote, and quote, many of their parents feel like there's a chasm when it comes to understanding what the heck their children are saying. Gen Alpha's hyper online manner of speaking has been dubbed "brain rot" by Xers and Zers, mostly because they share spaces online with them, like Tiktok, YouTube, etc. The slang that's often niche and insular to the internet, that's what brain rot really is, which is why some older generations find it uniquely difficult to make any sense of, of course. Linguistics experts say it's meant to create an in group, which alienates older people, as all young people like to do.

D Dave Chow 04:21 Snobs.

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:24
 - So, Gen Alpha is described as obsessed with skincare youou can check that one out later and and all sorts of things. Not a bad reputation, just edgy or sassy. So let's see what you can do with these Gen Alpha terms. So I have a 12 year old in my house, and that's all you need to know. This is not Generation X or Z. This is not even the millennials. This is Gen Alpha, the youngest people in our country.
- James Tubbs 05:38

 Maximum age 14
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:40
 Maximum age 14 to 15. That's right.
- Jason Roche 05:42
 Who are we versing on this one, Matt?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:44 (Laughs)
- Dave Chow 05:45
 We're relying on Erin.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:46
 So I'm -
- Jason Roche 05:47
 This is kind of SUS.
- Dave Chow 05:48
 I'm gonna set the bar.

- James Tubbs 05:49

 Look at us. Who do you expect to be able to answer these?
- Heather Hill 05:52 Erin.
- E Erin Bell 05:53 You cappin'.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:54
 I'm gonna set the bar at Let's get one correct. Okay. (Laughs)
- H Heather Hill 05:59 Oww!
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:59
 I think that's only appropriate. We will start with -
- James Tubbs 06:02
 Are they multiple choice? (laughs)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:03
 They are not. They are not.
- H Heather Hill 06:05 Okay.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:06

 If any term defines Generation Alpha as of the last two years, it is "skibidi". Do you know what skibidi means?

- Dan Maggio 06:13
- E Erin Bell 06:13 Yes. Bad.
- Dan Maggio 06:16

 And I would like to point out that I correctly answered your question. You said, "Do you know?"

 And I said, "No". So that's a correct answer.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:20 Oh, 100%
- H Heather Hill 06:23 There you go.
- Beth Oljar 06:24
 So, we've already passed.
- James Tubbs 06:26
 So, skibidi means bad?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:27 Skibidi is bad. Not good.
- B Beth Oljar 06:29
 It sounds like it should be good, though.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:31
 It sounds good, but it also is related to something that's kind of gross.

- Dan Maggio 06:36
 Oh, it refers to something that's gross?
- D Dave Chow 06:36 Skibies?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:38

 It's like if something is skibidi, it possesses the quality of being bad. Yeah, exactly.
- H Heather Hill 06:43
 I think we should just hand these all over to Erin.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:45
 (Laughs) Well, now Jason has some Gen Alpha kids as well.
- Jason Roche 06:49
 I sure do. And skibidi has come up.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:51
 I bet it has. How about when someone is a sigma? It refers to a person. What's a sigma?
- Jason Roche 06:57

 My son uses this all the time, and I have no clue. (The professors laugh)
- Dan Maggio 07:01
 Sigma? Is that like a leader?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:03

- Dan Maggio 07:06
 I have no kids and no cats,
- H Heather Hill 07:10 Dan, Dan, Dan.
- Beth Oljar 07:12
 It's fraternity related or something.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:14

 I definitely think that everybody is going to get a kick out of this. Oh, yes. They use the word "Ohio" a lot, but it refers to something very specific. What is it?
- H Heather Hill 07:24 Loser?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:25

 Basically, it means "cringe". Yes, "Ohio" as in, "only in Ohio". That is the way the generation uses it. I love it.
- Dan Maggio 07:34

 Does the entire generation around the country use that?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:37
 This is across the world.
- Dan Maggio 07:38
 That's pretty bad for Ohio.

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:39 Yeah.
- Dan Maggio 07:39
 I mean, if you're just Michigan using it, I understand
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:42 Yes.
- Erin Bell 07:43 Yeah, but globally -
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:48
 What about "negative aura"? Someone could say "you have a neg aura today". What do you think that means?
- H Heather Hill 07:48
 Bad vibes.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:48

 Yes, that's right, bad vibes. One that comes up a lot at the Mio house, and it took me a long time to figure out, but it actually makes sense when you think about it. What does it mean
- Jason Roche 08:08 Charisma.

when you have "Rizz" R, I, Z, Z?

- E Erin Bell 08:08 Charisma!
- Matt Mio. Ph.D. 08:09

- Charisma.
- Dave Chow 08:11
 Oh, did you see the hand gestures too?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:14
 Specifically defined as the ability to charm romantic interests if you've got Rizz
- James Tubbs 08:19
 Rizz?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:19 Yes.
- B Beth Oljar 08:20 So, if you've got game.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:21
 If you've got game, that's right.
- H Heather Hill 08:22 You're hot.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:24

 So I asked my 12 year old last night, I ran these questions by him. I said, "What's mewing?" And he did not respond verbally, but he did go (Matt demonstrates the gesture to the professors)
- Dave Chow 08:35 What?

- James Tubbs 08:35 Shaving?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:37
- James Tubbs 08:37
 Being quiet?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:38
- H Heather Hill 08:38 Grooming?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:40
 In general. It's trying to look good, but you've got to do these little these little hand motions.
- Erin Bell 08:44
 Um, Professor Mio, I have to admit, I changed my profile pic to a mewing pose -
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:52
 To a mewing pose.
- Erin Bell 08:53

 Just to, like, make my kids furious. They're like, "That is the cringiest, grossest thing",
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:55 (Laughs) Oh, my gosh.

- Heather Hill 08:58

 Actually, to follow up on Dan's question, do you always go to the left first when you do that?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:03
 Oh, I don't know. I think, I'm pretty sure I'm using the wrong finger,
- Heather Hill 09:06 Yeah.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:07
 Plus, I might be swearing in ASL, so I gotta be very careful.
- H Heather Hill 09:14 Yeah, 100%
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:17

 This is just about as gross as it's gonna get, and it's not gonna be that gross.
- Dave Chow 09:20 That's what you think.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:21 G, Y, A, T, T, what is a Gyatt?
- Erin Bell 09:25
 It's a big bottom.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:26
 It's a big butt. Yeah, that's right. (The professors laugh)

- H Heather Hill 09:31 Why?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:32
 I'm sure I don't know.
- Dave Chow 09:34
- Erin Bell 09:35
 Gyatt, You've get it, or you don't.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:37

 If I asked my youngest son to go do his chores, and he responds, "Bet", what does that mean?
- H Heather Hill 09:45
 "No way".
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:46
 It means the opposite.
- Dan Maggio 09:47
 "They're done"?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:48
 It means "Good", "I'm in agreement".
- James Tubbs 09:50 Oh, really?

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:51 Yep,
- James Tubbs 09:51
 Oh. "Youou can bet on it".
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:52 You've got it.
- H Heather Hill 09:53
 Oh, "you can bet on it".
- B Beth Oljar 09:55 Now, see that makes sense.
- Dan Maggio 09:56
 Too many letters.
- James Tubbs 09:57
 Too many words.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:58

 What about "bussin"? When something in particular, when food is bussing, what do you think that means?
- Dave Chow 10:03
 Carry out, bringing it in?
- Dan Maggio 10:05

- It's jammin'. It's good
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:06
 It's good. It's really good. Yeah, flavorful food. That's right, absolutely.
- H Heather Hill 10:09
 That's bussin'
- Jason Roche 10:10
 That's fire. Wait, now I'm dating myself.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:13 (Laughs)
- H Heather Hill 10:13 it's a rager.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:16

 This one has been around for a long time, and I'm pretty sure we can divine what it means.

 Does anybody know what the "ick" is?
- B Beth Oljar 10:22 Yuckiness.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:22
 That's bad. Yeah.
- D Dave Chow 10:23
 That's something my fish used to get. Right?

Erin Bell 10:25

Yeah. The ick. There's a whole SpongeBob episode about that.

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:29

On the other hand, there are two terms that are related to each other. I've heard a lot of young people recently describe any object or situation as "mid". It also can be referred to in relationship style as a "brown flag". And I think that that is really funny. That's all I'm gonna say.

- H Heather Hill 10:47
 Is that like "fair to midland"?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:49

It means "in the middle" it means "not special in any way, shape or form". So I would say, in a lot of ways, referring to maybe my wife and I's marriage, a brown flag is the fact that I use a very specific kind of toothpaste. It is not something super shocking in either way, it's just right down the middle. So like, "What's your relationship brown flag," that it has no meaning. That's the idea. No red flag or green flag.

- Dave Chow 10:53
 I was gonna say, it's not a soccer term, is it?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:14

 No, it is not. How about what's a "snack"? It's getting close to the line here.
- E Erin Bell 11:20

 A little snack, a little cutie that you wanna -
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:22
 Yes, somebody who looks really good.
- Dan Maggio 11:26 Oh

- James Tubbs 11:26 (Laughs)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:27

 You just met them. Yes. And of course, Jason already hit up where I was gonna end here. It's the original Gen Alpha term, when something is "sus". What does that mean?
- Jason Roche 11:38
 Suspect,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:38

 Very suspicious. Yes. That person looks just a little too sus for me"
- Jason Roche 11:43
 And you didn't have "versing" on the list?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:45
 What was that?
- Jason Roche 11:46 Versing.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:47 Oh, versing. Of verses
- Jason Roche 11:48
 It's the verb form of Of versus someone.
- Erin Bell 11:51

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:52
 "Who are the Tigers versing tonight?"
- Jason Roche 11:53
 Exactly.
- Erin Bell 11:54
 Oh, my gosh. I have read that in essays.
- Jason Roche 11:57
 It absolutely drives me nuts. Ohhh!
- B Beth Oljar 11:57
 I feel really old. (Matt laughs)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:00

 It's pretty brutal. Now we all know very, very well, as we move on to our next set of questions, that the easiest way for us to dispel all these slang terms is start using them as quickly as possible.
- D Dave Chow 12:13
 Of course
- Jason Roche 12:13 Yes
- Erin Bell 12:13 Skibidi

- Dave Chow 12:14
 That can replace my Canadianese.
- Jason Roche 12:17
 That is totally snack. (The professors laugh)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:18

Okay. "Professors, I hope this email finds you happy and healthy. Before I get to my questions to the panel, I have a question for Professor. Mio, I'm sure you've been asked before, but I was wondering if it'll ever bring back the autographed photograph of the photographed autograph. I think this is a great feature of the show and needs to be brought back. Just my opinion". That's actually a great opinion. Steve, so we'll start working on that. "Below is a list of 15 nicknames of famous people. Your job is to give the real name of the famous person who has that nickname. So here we go. Thanks for including me on the show. Thanks for all the great times. And by the way, 13 out of 15 is passing". I forgot to mention, I think we passed. If the bar was set at one, we passed.

- D Dave Chow 13:02
 Who sent these in?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:03

This is Steve Barney of Garden City, Michigan. Thanks for sending the questions, Steve. That's great. In the world of music, who is Pigpen? No, it's not Beethoven.

- H Heather Hill 13:16
 Beethoven?
- B Beth Oljar 13:18
 It sounds like it should be Sid Vicious or Johnny Rotten.
- Dave Chow 13:21 Okay

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:21
 I mean, not No, but you're a little bit before that. Thinking 60s and 70s. American music. I'm sort of surprised.
- Dave Chow 13:25
 What like a Neil Young?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:32
 I just figured I mean, you're getting closer.
- H Heather Hill 13:34
 Jim Morrison
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:35
 Oh, you're getting really, really closer.
- Jason Roche 13:36
 Cat Stevens
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:38

 No. It's gonna be really, really hard. All that I've got left is Haight-Ashbury, you know, San Francisco. Does that ring a bell?
- Dave Chow 13:45
 Bob Dylan?
- B Beth Oljar 13:46 Grace Slick
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:47

- D Dave Chow 13:47
 Bob Dylan?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:48

 Not Bob Dylan. No, it's Ron McKernan, who's one of the founding members of the Grateful Dead. He was Pigpen. We are not doing well to start. Okay.
- H Heather Hill 13:58
 Wee need Stephen here.
- Jason Roche 13:59
 We've gotta get the next 13 out of 14, people.
- Dave Chow 14:01
 Oh, crumb. No pressure.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:02 We're gonna do it.
- D Dave Chow 14:03
 No pressure.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:04
 In the world of sports, who is the Human Rain Delay? I'm definitely looking in a Jason direction.
- Dave Chow 14:09
 Is it Carlton Fisk? No. Who's the one who checks uh, Mike-?

- Jason Roche 14:14
 I don't know.
- Dave Chow 14:14
 Checks his glove all the time.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:18
 I can't believe you're that close. I'm gonna give it to you. His name is Mike Hargrove.
- Dave Chow 14:21 Mike Hargrove.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:22

 He took forever at the plate. You know, he would knock the stuff off his cleats. He couldn't survive in the modern game.
- Dave Chow 14:23

 He would check his glove, check his cup, check his belt, check his hairline -
- B Beth Oljar 14:31
 I was gonna say there must be a delay-of-game penalty.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:34
 There is.
- H Heather Hill 14:35 There is nowadays
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:36

 But back in the day, you just could, like, talk up the umpire. You could play a game of cribbage

- Dave Chow 14:41
 Re write cribbage
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:43
 In the world of American criminality, who is the Teflon Don?
- Dave Chow 14:49
 Oh, The tangerine one himself?
- H Heather Hill 14:51 John Gotti
- Dave Chow 14:54
 That's what I was thinking
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:57
 In the world of royalty, who is Lilibet?
- James Tubbs 15:00
 The granddaughter of Queen Elizabeth, but also Queen Elizabeth herself.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:04

 Queen Elizabeth the second
- B Beth Oljar 15:05
 The great granddaughter.
- James Tubbs 15:06
 The great granddaughter.

- Dave Chow 15:07 Yeah, Charlotte, right?
- E Erin Bell 15:08 Lilibet
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:09 Lilibet
- Erin Bell 15:09
 I like that name. It's cute
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:10
 In the world of sports, who is the Mound Round of Rebound?
- E Erin Bell 15:16 Wow,
- James Tubbs 15:16
 Charles Barkley
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:17 Charles Barkley. Yes.
- James Tubbs 15:18
 The great Charles Barkley,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:20
 Former NBA player and very loud personality

- James Tubbs 15:24
 Delightful personality.
- B Beth Oljar 15:26 Love him.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:26

 He's hilarious. In the world of presidents, who is Old Rough and Ready?
- Dave Chow 15:31 Tyler?
- B Beth Oljar 15:32 Taylor?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:33
 Taylor,
- Dave Chow 15:33
 Taylor, okay, I was close.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:35

 Zachary Taylor, 12th President of these United States. In the world of entertainment, who was the chairman of the board?
- James Tubbs 15:42 Frank Sinatra.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:44

- Sinatra, yes,
- H Heather Hill 15:45
 Ole Blue Eyes. Slash other things,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:47
 (Laughs) Slash other things. In the world of sports, still out there coaching in the great state of Colorado, who's Prime Time, Singer slash actor,
- Jason Roche 15:57 Deion.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:58

 Deion Sanders. It says, "former NFL and MLB player and coach of the Colorado Buffaloes". In the world of entertainment, who is the little tramp.
- D Dave Chow 16:08 Charlie Chaplin
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:10
 It's like one where everybody gets it on the first shot.
- D Dave Chow 16:12 So far, so good.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:13
 In the world of sports, there can be only one great one.
- Jason Roche 16:16 Gretzky.

- Erin Bell 16:18
 Oh. I was like "the highlander?"
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:22

 That's appropriate. In the world of entertainment, who's Mr. Warmth? And boy oh boy, is that sarcastic.
- Don Rickles? It's Don Rickles.
- James Tubbs 16:30 Yes, that is very sarcastic.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:32 Mr. Warmth.
- Beth Oljar 16:33 (Laughs) So funny
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:34
 Oh man. Who's Mr. October?
- Jason Roche 16:37 Reggie
- H Heather Hill 16:38
 Reggie Jackson
- M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:41

 Always turned it on in the playoffs

- Jason Roche 16:42
 - I used to say that Alex Ovechkin was the Mr. October of hockey, but then he actually ended up winning a Stanley Cup
- Dave Chow 16:50 Yeah, doggone it.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:51
 That's true. In the world of world leaders, who's the British Bulldog?
- H Heather Hill 16:56 Churchill
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:57
 Churchill. Winston Churchill
- Dave Chow 16:58

 Not Maggie Thatcher?(The professors laugh)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:04
 She was the chemist.
- James Tubbs 17:05
 She was the iron lady. In the world of sports, who was the Golden Bear?
- Dan Maggio 17:09
 Jack Nicholson

- Heatner HIII 17:09
 Jack Nicklaus.
- Dan Maggio 17:10
 Nicklaus. Sorry
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:11

Yes, Jack Nicklaus, but you were like, closer there than Dave giving the Mike for Mike Hargrove. So you're good In the world of science and a lot of things, who is the renaissance man?

- D Dave Chow 17:22
 Davinci?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:23

 Davinci is what it says here. Those were fun, Steve.
- B Beth Oljar 17:26 Left handed
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:28
 Absolutely left handed
- B Beth Oljar 17:29
 As all brilliant people are.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:32
 I'm gonna keep the name of the person who sent us this question under wraps, so we'll talk about it, maybe a little bit off the air. But someone sent us a question just a few weeks ago
- H Heather Hill 17:41
 A single question?

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:43

"Hi Professors". Single question. "Here's my question, If the government has been repeatedly informed of a problem that is causing delays, and the contractor has repeatedly asked the government for assistance to cure the delays, is this considered an executable default under FAR 52.249-14?"

Jason Roche 17:59

If this is a yes or no question, Matt, and I'm gonna go with Yes.

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:02

I'm gonna turn this paper upside down. I promise, person, I'm not making fun of you. I just, uh - that is the question that we were asked with no possible response.

James Tubbs 18:12

I'm gonna say it depends. (The professors laugh)

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:17
 - That was great.
- Erin Bell 18:18

That was a stumper

Jason Roche 18:19

Was this a serious question where someone was hoping to get an actual answer?

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:22

I believe that someone sent that to us looking for legal advice.

Dave Chow 18:27

Is this like that one guy asking for instructions on how to hang a flat screen TV in a school bus?

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:31
 Oh, something like that, right? Oh, I remember that.
- Dave Chow 18:35
 I mean, they were serious about hanging a television.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:37
 Yeah, I don't know what to say about that.
- H Heather Hill 18:39
 Was it a student looking for help with homework?
- Jason Roche 18:42
 But I think that Jim's got it that it depends. Yeah. I think it depends.
- Do we need to feed that through chat GPT and see what happens?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:49
 Oh, my gosh!
- Erin Bell 18:49
 There we go. Done.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:51

Okay, we're moving on here. Steve actually sent us - Steve Barney sent us a second set of questions, and since we haven't had questions from him in such a long time, I think we're gonna bring these in too. These will be fun. "Again, I hope you're doing well. Thought it was time for another set of questions. I'm hoping you find them thought provoking and fun (at the same time). I'm calling this 'finish the list'. I'll give you a few items from a list. Your job is to figure out what is the topic of the list and then finish it.

- James Tubbs 19:19
 Hmm.
- Erin Bell 19:19
 Ooh.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:19
 Here's your example. Thanks Steve.
- Beth Oljar 19:20
 We're not getting the periodic table of elements here, are we?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:23
 Okay, I'll give you hydrogen, you name the other 117. It's not like that at all.
- Jason Roche 19:28
 (Laughs) Wait. Didn't there just used to be 114?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:32 it's 118 now
- D Dave Chow 19:33 there's more
- Jason Roche 19:34 Ohh! There's more
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:37
 So this is, uh -

- B Beth Oljar 19:38
 Stop discovering things.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:40
 Stop discovering things, will you. I mean, come on
- James Tubbs 19:42 Quit.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:43

 Um, the example is Dopey, Grumpy, Sleepy, You would say, Doc, Bashful, Happy and Sneezy to complete the set.
- Dave Chow 19:50 Sure, I would.
- B Beth Oljar 19:50
 Well, I was gonna get that one.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:54

 Here we go. James Garfield, Harry Truman, Gerald Ford, Ronald Reagan, and there are four more on this list,
- B Beth Oljar 20:02

 Presidents who were shot at
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:05
 No that's not what it says.

- D Dave Chow 20:06

 Are they jelly bean people?
- James Tubbs 20:09
 Presidents from the Midwest?
- Dave Chow 20:11

 No. That's a reasonable guess, but -
- Dan Maggio 20:12

 Did they become president Is it how they became president?
- Dave Chow 20:15
 It is not. It is a quality of the person.
- B Beth Oljar 20:18
 It's not being one term.
- Dave Chow 20:20
 Left handed? Right handed? Ambidextrous?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:21

 Actually, Dave just said it, and I gotta give credit to Beth. She said it a few minutes ago. They're all left-handed.
- Erin Bell 20:26 Oh
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:26
 So who are the other four left-handed presidents?

- Dave Chow 20:29 Clinton
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:30 Clinton. Yep,
- D Dave Chow 20:31 Obama
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:32
 Obama was.
- B Beth Oljar 20:32 Obama
- Dan Maggio 20:33 Yeah Obama.
- Dave Chow 20:34
 And who's got a wicked hook shot?
- James Tubbs 20:36 Let me think.
- Dan Maggio 20:38
 Bush?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:39
 HW Bush was. Yeah

- Dave Chow 20:41
 Oh that's right. He was.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:42

 And the last one I will just say Metrodome, and then you'll say -
- Dave Chow 20:45
 Hubert Humphrey?
- Jason Roche 20:47
 That's what I would say
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:47
 Herbert Hoover. I was just trying to get you there. Thats all
- B Beth Oljar 20:50 Oh okay.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:51

 Nice, nice. How about Ooh Darrell Evans, Lou Whitaker, Larry Herndon, Kirk Gibson, Chet Lemon, and there's four more.
- Dave Chow 21:00
 Trammel, Lance Parrish, who played right field?
- Jason Roche 21:05
 Kaline?
- Dave Chow 21:05

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:10

 Dave's got the list right This is the starting lineup -
- Dave Chow 21:12
 Marty Castillo
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:13
 Marty Castillo
- Dave Chow 21:14
 Larry Herndon, Chet Lemon and Kirk Gibson
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:17
 Who pitched the game?
- Dan Maggio 21:18
 Is it Denny?
- D Dave Chow 21:19 Jack Morris.
- M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:20 Jack Morris.
- Dave Chow 21:21
 Dan Petry
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:22

- Dave just named the starting lineup for game one of the 1984 world series
- H Heather Hill 21:27 Awesome
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:30
 In order with Gibson in cleanup. How about Joe, Curly, Moe and three more?
- Jason Roche 21:37 Oh, Dave, you've got this
- Dave Chow 21:38
 Shemp, Curly Joe. Okay, hold on.
- James Tubbs 21:41
 They were three stooges, but they multiplied. (The professsors laugh)
- Dave Chow 21:44
 So who are the ones you've listed again?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:47
 I gave you Joe, Curly and Moe. You said Shemp, Larry and
- D Dave Chow 21:51 Curly Joe,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:52
 The only one that was a stooge the entire time.
- D. . . . Ol. 01 FF

- Dave Cnow 21:55 Larry.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:55 Larry. Yeah, exactly.
- Dave Chow 21:56
 Well, there's also Emil Sitka, but he was never on film.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:59
 That's right, that's right. Oh, wow. You know where this is going. Knife, lead pipe rope -
- D Dave Chow 22:05 Oh, CLUE
- James Tubbs 22:06
 The CLUE WEAPONS
- Dan Maggio 22:10
 Gun, revolver.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:12
 Candlestickm, and we're missing one
- B Beth Oljar 22:14 Rope
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:14
 We've got rope in the original list

- D Dave Chow 22:16
 Tenure
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:17
 Knife, lead pipe, rope, candlestick, revolver -
- B Beth Oljar 22:20 Wrench?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:22 Wrench.
- Dave Chow 22:22 Spanner
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:24 Spanner. Yeah, exactly
- Dave Chow 22:25 For Cluedo.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:26

 I love it. I love it. For the record, over time, I think most folks who know the modern board game know that poison, a big trophy, a baseball bat, an axe and a dumbbell have been added to the game.
- E Erin Bell 22:38 Oh!
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:38
 In different variations.

- B Beth Oljar 22:39
 I didn't know that.
- Jason Roche 22:40

 Do they still have the Conservatory?
- M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:41 Yes.
- Jason Roche 22:42 Okay.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:42
 Exactly. Or in the hallway,
- James Tubbs 22:44
 The library
- Erin Bell 22:45 Yes
- D Dave Chow 22:46 The loo.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:47
 How about pride, wrath, greed, envy?
- Dave Chow 22:50

jiiii, iiere you go.

- H Heather Hill 22:51 Seven deadly sins.
- B Beth Oljar 22:53 Sloth, gluttony
- Dave Chow 22:54 Envy?
- Dan Maggio 22:57 Gluttony,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:57 sloth, gluttony and -
- B Beth Oljar 22:58 Anger? No.
- Dave Chow 23:00
 Pride, wrath, greed, envy, gluttony, sloth and -
- Erin Bell 23:05 Lust?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:07 Lust.
- James Tubbs 23:07

- Dave Chow 23:09
 How could we?
- James Tubbs 23:10
 How could we forget lust?
- Dave Chow 23:11

 Jim these are your calisthenics every morning, aren't they? (The professors laugh) This is what Jim wakes up and does every morning.
- James Tubbs 23:16

 No, I'm still stuck on sloth. (The professors laugh)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:19
 You all are cracking me up so bad.
- B Beth Oljar 23:21
 We've all seen SEVEN.
- E Erin Bell 23:23 Yeah
- Beth Oljar 23:23 I mean, come on,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:24
 What's in the box. I mean, seriously

- B Beth Oljar 23:26 Well -
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:27
 Biggest argument of my of my youth, was what was in the box
- Jason Roche 23:30 They never show
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:31
 We didn't understand
- Beth Oljar 23:32
 But we know what was in the box
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:33
 We have a pretty good idea.
- Dave Chow 23:34
 Wait a minute. This isn't a Felix the Cat question. I mean (The professors laugh)
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:38

 Yikes. That's horrible. Okay, so how about we go to and we're gonna see we can do this one in order. When there is no wild card, two pair, straight, flush, four of a kind, plus six more winning hands in poker with no joker.
- Dave Chow 23:56
 Okay, what was the last one you left off at?
- H Heather Hill 23:58 Royal flush?

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:58
 Two pairs, straight, flush, four of a kind
- Dan Maggio 23:59
 Full house?
- Dave Chow 24:02
 Royal flush is the top one
- Jason Roche 24:05
 Did you say full house?
- B Beth Oljar 24:06
 Two pairs
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:07
 Oh, we have two pairs on the original list.
- Dan Maggio 24:08
 Three of a kind, four of a kind
- Dave Chow 24:09
 Full house. What else?
- Dan Maggio 24:11 Flush, straight?
- Dave Chow 24:12

Straignt tiusn.

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:13
 Straight Flush we've got now. Yep
- D Dave Chow 24:16
 We're missing one?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:16

 Go back all the way to the bottom of the list, and the lowest hand you can have is
- Dave Chow 24:21 Two pair
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:21

 A pair or a high card. You've got it. Good. How about I give you Maine, Maryland, Montana, Missouri. And there's four more.
- Jason Roche 24:28 Mississippi,
- B Beth Oljar 24:30 Minnesota,
- Dan Maggio 24:30 Michigan
- James Tubbs 24:31

 Montana

- Dan Maggio 24:32
 Massachusetts
- James Tubbs 24:34
 Missouri
- Erin Bell 24:37 Manitoba
- D Dave Chow 24:37 Oh, gosh (laughs)
- Dan Maggio 24:38

 Manitoba, yeah
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:40
 There's one you're missing.
- Jason Roche 24:41
 Massachusetts?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:42
 Massachusetts
- H Heather Hill 24:44
 Somebody said Massachusetts
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:46
 I apologize.

- Dan Maggio 24:47 That's all right
- H Heather Hill 24:47
 Dan did
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:48
 The states that begin with a letter M
- James Tubbs 24:50
 Dan said it sotto voce.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:52
 Oh my gosh. (Laughs) Sotta voce.
- Erin Bell 24:55
 I just want to work that into my day to day conversation.
- H Heather Hill 24:57 Sotto voce?
- Erin Bell 24:58
 That was awesome,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:59 or all the M states? Which?
- Beth Oljar 25:02

 Both would be good.

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:03

 Now, don't pay too much attention to the order here. I believe it's meant to throw you off, but this is a good one. You're gonna have to scratch your heads. New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day. Veterans Day, plus five more
- Dan Maggio 25:17
 Federal holidays
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:19
 Federal holidays,
- Dan Maggio 25:19
 Fourth of July.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:21 Independence Day,
- Dan Maggio 25:22
 Juneteenth,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:23
 Juneteenth, correct
- Dan Maggio 25:24 Memorial Day,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:25

 Memorial Day, And the cringiest one of all
- Dan Maggio 25:26

- Jason Roche 25:29 Ohio day?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:29 (Laughing) Ohio Day.
- Heather Hill 25:30
 Arbor Day.
- Dave Chow 25:33 Sweetest day.
- James Tubbs 25:34
 That is not a holiday
- Dave Chow 25:35
 I beg your pardon.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:39

 There are people who live really close to where we're sitting right now who call it Thanksgiving?

 We call it -
- Jason Roche 25:45
 Oh, Columbus Day. Columbus Day.
- E Erin Bell 25:48 Okay, right.

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:49

 Hopefully it'll be just a few more years before we make the full transition to Indigenous Peoples Day, because it's pretty cringy, even for an Italian American,
- Jason Roche 25:57
 I think we should name our capital "Washington district of indigenous peoples". No?
- B Beth Oljar 26:03
 And make it a state
- Jason Roche 26:04
 Not even a chuckle?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:08

 Hey,ey, that's my one day to go to Canada. How about kinetic, chemical, electrical, elastic potential, and then four more
- Dan Maggio 26:15
 Types of energy.
- D Dave Chow 26:17 Oh!
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:18
 Kinetic, chemical, electrical and elastic potential
- B Beth Oljar 26:22
 Molecular?
- Dan Maggio 26:23

 Just potential energy?

- H Heather Hill 26:24 Nuclear?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:25
 I haven't heard anything -
- Erin Bell 26:29 Energy vampires
- Dan Maggio 26:30
 Did you say potential alone?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:32
 Kinetic. So motion. Chemical, hemical, stored in the bonds of a molecule
- Dan Maggio 26:36 Yep.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:36
 Electrical and elastic potential, like when you stretch something.
- Jason Roche 26:39
 Heat? Is heat one?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:41
 Heat is one of them.
- Erin Bell 26:42 Yeah. Nice one.

- M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:44 That's what it says here.
- Dan Maggio 26:45 Okay
- Dave Chow 26:45
 See, I was thinking these were the superpowers of The Incredibles.
- H Heather Hill 26:46
 Thermodynamic?
- B Beth Oljar 26:48
 And fission.
- M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:49
 So heat is thermodynamic.
- Erin Bell 26:51 Okay,
- B Beth Oljar 26:52 Fission?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:52
 Nothing nuclear.
- Beth Oljar 26:55

Well, that doesn't make any sense.

- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:56
 There's one that we're a little low on in this room, but by design
- Dave Chow 26:59
 Humor? (The professors laugh)
- James Tubbs 27:00 intelligence?
- Dan Maggio 27:00 Personality?
- H Heather Hill 27:03
 Ouch!
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:06
 So light is one of them
- H Heather Hill 27:09 Oh Light,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:10
 There is something that's keeping us in our chairs right now
- Dan Maggio 27:12 Gravity,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:13

Yeah, and last, but not least, something that we use to run all of our independent circuits, but mostly it sticks to the front of our fridge.

- H Heather Hill 27:21 Static?
- D Dave Chow 27:22
 Guacamole?
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:22
 Magnetic
- Dan Maggio 27:25

 I never heard I'm not a physicist, but uh, but I play one on TV. (The professors laugh. But usually potential kind of encompasses many of those, like gravity.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:34
 I know where you're coming from with that.
- Dan Maggio 27:36
 That's fine. I learned something new today,
- H Heather Hill 27:39 Okay
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:40

 Because I think that there's something about elastic when there is no gravity; like, I'm out on the I.S.S. and I stretch a rubber band -
- Dan Maggio 27:46

 Yes It still comes back together even without the gravity. No, no. I understand.

- E Erin Bell 27:50 That's interesting.
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:50
 It's good,
- Erin Bell 27:51 interesting,
- Dave Chow 27:52
 Too, intelligent,
- Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:53

 Awesome set of questions. That actually was a lot of fun.

Ask The Professor from The Detroit Historical Museum.

Michael Jayson 27:58

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