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## SPEAKERS

Heather Hill, James Tubbs, Matt Mio, Ph.D., Jeffe Boats, Beth Oljar, Announcer, Dave Chow, Professor Mike, Stephen Manning

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- 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, somebody I don't know, Matt Mio, let me introduce to you our panel for today. To my right, cracking up mightily. It's Professor Jeffe Boats,
- J** Jeffe Boats 00:20  
Yoinks, Skoob! Somebody forgot the snacks.
- B** Beth Oljar 00:23  
That's right, where are my Scooby snacks?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:26  
My kids always do the same Shaggy quote.
- J** Jeffe Boats 00:29  
I gotta do my homage to Detroit legend, Casey Kasem
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:32

Oh, Casey Kasem, of course. I mean, one of the very first successful what was he? He wasn't Egyptian,

**D** Dave Chow 00:39  
Lebanese,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:40  
Yeah. He might have been Lebanese. One of the very first Lebanese stars. Absolutely,

**D** Dave Chow 00:45  
He and was it - Jamie Farr, right?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:47  
Yep, that makes sense. Continuing around the table, we're being blessed again by guest panelist, Professor Mike. Thanks for joining us.

**P** Professor Mike 00:55  
No problem.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:57  
Have you been to Yosemite, by the way?

**P** Professor Mike 00:59  
No, I usually just pick out a few T shirts

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:06  
Well that's totally fine

**P** Professor Mike 01:09  
Okay, when I was about to start going out into the world, a giant pandemic hit. You can't hold me accountable.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:17  
That is true

**P** Professor Mike 01:18  
We can still hold your dad accountable.

**D** Dave Chow 01:19  
Yeah, exactly.

**P** Professor Mike 01:20  
How do you travel when there's -

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:23  
It's hard

**P** Professor Mike 01:25  
a death virus going around?

**H** Heather Hill 01:27  
Just open a book.

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:28  
I remember homeschool during that time and thinking, you know, if I'd had a little bit more time to organize it, I would have had, every day a new episode of Anthony Bourdain, and that's how we would have studied culture and

**D** Dave Chow 01:38  
geography

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:30

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:39  
And geography, because he went everywhere, cool, not everywhere, but everywhere cool.

**P** Professor Mike 01:43  
I mean, culture nowadays, like, I prefer more local culture rather than pop culture, because-  
(Long pause)

**J** Jeffe Boats 01:43  
Don't get him started

**D** Dave Chow 01:52  
Oh, geez, It's only a half hour show,

**P** Professor Mike 01:56  
I'll skip the Eminem part, but I prefer to talk coherently; and thankfully, I did not choose to  
download Tiktok. It's

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:06  
It's alright,

**H** Heather Hill 02:06  
Okay,

**P** Professor Mike 02:07  
Like you-

**J** Jeffe Boats 02:09  
He's making fun of me for having a Tiktok presence now. I have to promote my book.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:13  
Well, Mike, let me tell you this much. You said local culture, and your dad said Anthony  
Bourdain, and he was a big fan of coming to the city and finding all the secret barbecue in the

side streets. So there you go.

**B** Beth Oljar 02:25

I have several seasons of No Reservations on DVD, so if you ever need them,

**P** Professor Mike 02:32

I remember in my Foods & Nutrition class, we saw an episode of Anthony Bourdain where he went to Detroit.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:38

Yeah

**P** Professor Mike 02:38

There was like, people cooking stuff on their riding mowers,

**D** Dave Chow 02:44

Yeah, of course

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:45

And it's good.

**P** Professor Mike 02:46

Yeah,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:46

Professor Jim Tubbs is here with us today.

**J** James Tubbs 02:48

Hello.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:49

Good to see you.

J James Tubbs 02:50

My mother could recall visiting her grandmother in South Carolina and having to watch her ring the neck of the chicken, which then ran around for a while before it collapsed.

D Dave Chow 03:00

That's half the fun. It's entertainment.

P Professor Mike 03:02

Nonny wouldn't eat chicken, right?

J Jeffe Boats 03:04

I gotta tell you the story about why Nonny wouldn't eat chicken sometime, but maybe off the air.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:07

Oh my! Someone who is protecting the culture warrior, I can see that. It's professor Dave Chow.

D Dave Chow 03:15

Pleasure to be here as always.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:16

Excellent. So hey, what was the Lingua franca? You chatting up the new neighbors? Tell them to stop parking on the street, dang it.

D Dave Chow 03:21

Oh, we were just warning about you folks. That's all. "Watch out for those Mio's. They're dangerous people." You know, that's all, no, it's all Yes, that was the first, that's the first thing between two and six you're gonna get ticketed.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:25  
The Dean of the neighborhood, Dave Chow

D Dave Chow 03:26  
You don't know how much money I've donated to the Secret Policeman's Ball already,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:27  
I wish people would not park on my street, but,

D Dave Chow 03:29  
Yeah, but yeah, on ours, you get ticketed. That's all.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:42  
Yeah you get ticketed. He's been lucky if he hasn't been ticketed.

D Dave Chow 03:47  
He hasn't.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:48  
Wow,

D Dave Chow 03:48  
I think it's just being kind to him, right?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:51  
Yeah, no, that's-

D Dave Chow 03:52  
Nice guy. Nice people.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:53  
Very cool. Rocco, I think is his name-

D Dave Chow 03:55  
Yes

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:55  
Yeah, that's kind of a cool name.

D Dave Chow 03:56  
Interesting.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:57  
You know, what else is a cool name? Professor, Stephen Manning,

S Stephen Manning 04:00  
Rocco?

D Dave Chow 04:01  
Yeah, we're neighbors to Rocco and McKenna.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:05  
Italian. What's going on?

D Dave Chow 04:07  
Speaking of parking on the street, I got a ticket for parking on the wrong -You can park on both sides of our street, but you have to park the right way.

J James Tubbs 04:16  
Yes, for trash day



S Stephen Manning 04:17  
And I parked the wrong way.

D Dave Chow 04:18  
Oh, you were facing in the wrong direction.

S Stephen Manning 04:20  
It wasn't trash day. It had nothing to do with trash day.

B Beth Oljar 04:22  
You just have to be parked a certain direction.

S Stephen Manning 04:24  
Yeah


H Heather Hill 04:24  
Within like 10 minutes,


S Stephen Manning 04:26  
Yeah. I just find that


D Dave Chow 04:27  
They work on commission,


S Stephen Manning 04:28  
It was a temporary thing. I was just getting groceries out of the car. And it was convenient to park this way, and I came out and there's a ticket on the thing.


M Matt Min Ph D 04:34


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:34  
Are you kidding me? Really


 Heather Hill 04:35  
That's lame.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:36  
Uh, Professor Heather Hill is here.


 Heather Hill 04:39  
Hello,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:39  
And

 Heather Hill 04:40  
And

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:41  
How are things?

 Heather Hill 04:42  
Um, fine, I guess,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:45  
Nice.

 Heather Hill 04:46  
Thank you. I don't know



**B** Beth Oljar 04:49  
They're awesome because she has her little elephant necklace.

**H** Heather Hill 04:51  
Oh yeah, I see that. Oh, that's cool.

**J** James Tubbs 04:53  
A Jade Elephant

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:54  
Literally, the mic was right in the way of me being able to see it. So now that i

**H** Heather Hill 04:57  
It was a gift from a very dear friend.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:59  
Oh, was the - Oh okay, so the friend, wasn't-

**J** Jeffe Boats 05:02  
And she had to talk about the elephant in the room.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:04  
Yeah

**B** Beth Oljar 05:04  
That's right, exactly.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:06  
It looks like it's a maybe Jade or something. That's kind of cool.

**H** Heather Hill 05:09  
I believe it is. You could ask the person who gave it to me, because she is sitting to my right, yes,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:15  
Oh my gosh, the call is coming from inside the house.

**J** James Tubbs 05:18  
Yes.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:19  
Professor Beth Oljar

**B** Beth Oljar 05:20  
I say the ad for that movie the very first time when I was babysitting. So it was really not good. I was literally too terrified to go back and check on the kids after I'd gotten them to play.

**P** Professor Mike 05:32  
What was the movie?

**B** Beth Oljar 05:34  
When a stranger calls?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:36  
Yes

**P** Professor Mike 05:37  
Yet another movie I have yet to see

**J** Jeffe Boats 05:38  
no that's, that's a that's an old classic.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:38  
Yep,

J Jeffe Boats 05:41  
that's where, you know, don't spin calls coming from in the house. You know the that's coming-

D Dave Chow 05:46  
It's a trope now

J Jeffe Boats 05:47  
yeah, yeah.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:50  
Well, thanks for all coming, profs, and for you coming to listen to us. This is a program. You could send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you win a prize. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. Email us at [atp@udmercy.edu](mailto: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. So we have some questions sent by a student. It's from a previous course that Beth taught. [Her name is Larissa Snegourenko.](#)


B Beth Oljar 06:21  
So "Contemporary Moral Problems" class.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:24  
Wow, that's awesome. "I made a list of trivia questions for the show. I hope you enjoy these. Thank you, Larissa"


J James Tubbs 06:30  
Are they all about contemporary moral problems?


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:32


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:32  
They are not.


 Beth Oljar 06:33  
Let us really hope not.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:34  
As evidenced by the first question, What is the most common letter in the English language?


 Beth Oljar 06:42  
E


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:42  
It says it's E

 James Tubbs 06:44  
I was going to say that "E" is most commonly used.

 Dave Chow 06:44  
Oh Yeah. Well, we're playing Wheel of Fortune here. That's all

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:49  
A little bit,

 Dave Chow 06:49  
Yeah, we're not buying the vowels.

 Professor Mike 06:51  
There is no reason that the alphabet needs to be in the order that it is.



M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:55

That is true.

P Professor Mike 06:56

"A" could be at the end. "M" could be the start.

D Dave Chow 06:58

Somebody had to come up with the order though

J Jeffe Boats 07:00

Why don't they put the alphabet in alphabetical order?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:02

Seriously.

J Jeffe Boats 07:03

Like "A" and then "H", right? Because -

P Professor Mike 07:06

Yeah,

D Dave Chow 07:06

or you count how many letters, how many syllables,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:09

Right. Oh, yeah, that's a classic.

B Beth Oljar 07:11

How do you get "H" after "A"?

**J** Jeffe Boats 07:13  
Because it's A - I - T - C - H.

**J** James Tubbs 07:17  
You mean phonetic order. You don't mean alphabetical order.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:20  
I can't let that go without looking up at the framed drawing in the corner and say that if Kathy were here, she would have said, but the first letter of h is h, because she used to say "Haitch" all the time. Yes, what is the term for a group of crows? I think we've heard this from

**D** Dave Chow 07:36  
Murder.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:37  
Murder. From which language did English get the word piano,

**D** Dave Chow 07:43  
Italian,

**J** James Tubbs 07:45  
Italian,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:45  
It says "Italian" here

**B** Beth Oljar 07:46  
That sounds plausible,

**J** James Tubbs 07:48  
Musical term, yeah, for soft.



M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:50  
For soft. What is the dot above a lower case i or j, referred to as?

D Dave Chow 07:58  
A tilde or something like that.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:02  
It's a tilde.

P Professor Mike 08:02  
A tilde is the thing over the "n" in Spanish.

J Jeffe Boats 08:02  
Tittle.

B Beth Oljar 08:10  
It means "not".

J Jeffe Boats 08:11  
I had a professor who couldn't say that. Sometimes you put a tilde over a variable to indicate something in certain areas of math. And he couldn't use French, and he couldn't say "Tilde". So it came up "Tweedle". You Tweedle. You tweedle this.

D Dave Chow 08:25  
You had some of the most amazingly interesting professors.

P Professor Mike 08:28  
French, you say?

J Jeffe Boats 08:30  
Yeah. He just would not say "tilde"

B Beth Oljar 08:32  
Was this at Carnegie Mellon?

J Jeffe Boats 08:34  
Yeah

B Beth Oljar 08:34  
Okay,

J Jeffe Boats 08:35  
Oh yeah.

B Beth Oljar 08:37  
It all makes sense now

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:38  
Professors, what's the technical term for a hashtag? We've had this before.

P Professor Mike 08:41  
Octothorpe

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:42  
It's an octothorpe. Yes,

D Dave Chow 08:43  
The tic-tac-toe symbol

**B** Beth Oljar 08:44  
I thought it was the number sign.

**D** Dave Chow 08:46  
That too.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:48  
Which continent is home to the most spoken languages?

**B** Beth Oljar 08:52  
Asia

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:53  
It says "Asia" here.

**J** Jeffe Boats 08:54  
It's gotta be. Doesn't Malaysia have over 100 itself?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:54  
Yeah.

**P** Professor Mike 08:57  
I would have guessed Africa, due to the indigenous languages.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:01  
That's true. That's true.

**D** Dave Chow 09:02  
There are about 150 some tribes

**P** Professor Mike 09:05  
At least 30% of the languages on Google Translate are African in some way.

**J** Jeffe Boats 09:10  
That's good thinking. I think it's just the population, though. You get the same phenomenon in Asia, but with like, three times the population.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:10  
Mm-hm

**J** James Tubbs 09:17  
Yeah, there are a lot of tribes that have their own dialects. Yeah.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:21  
What is the national flower of Japan?

**P** Professor Mike 09:23  
Uh - Cherry Blossom.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:24  
It is the cherry blossom.

**H** Heather Hill 09:27  
I would think it would be a Chrysanthemum

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:28  
It says it's a Cherry Blossom.

**P** Professor Mike 09:29  
In Japanese. it would be Sakura.

**B** Beth Oljar 09:31  
One of the best parts of the University of Washington, the cherry blossoms in the quad.

**D** Dave Chow 09:36  
Jim, Didn't you go to Washington during COVID?

**J** James Tubbs 09:38  
Yes I did. Yes, I did

**D** Dave Chow 09:40  
To see the cherry blossoms.

**B** Beth Oljar 09:41  
We called them the cherry blossoms of Damocles because they came out right when masters papers were due, which was determining whether or not you advanced to candidacy.

**J** Jeffe Boats 09:52  
That's earlier. That's like February though, right? or March in Washington?

**B** Beth Oljar 09:55  
They were always due in the spring. We were on a quarter system. So I think April. March and April, maybe.

**H** Heather Hill 10:04  
Yeah,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:05  
In which country did the tradition of Oktoberfest originate?

**S** Stephen Manning 10:08  
Germany.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:09  
It says Germany. And just for kicks, in what month does Oktoberfest start?

**P** Professor Mike 10:14  
October, I believe

**J** James Tubbs 10:15  
September.

**P** Professor Mike 10:17  
Oh, when it BEGINS.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:17  
It's sort of like Hispanic Heritage Month. It sort of bridges two months.

**D** Dave Chow 10:22  
Ooh, does that mean we need another Rathskeller tour?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:25  
Well,

**J** James Tubbs 10:26  
yeah,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:26  
While they're still open. What's the term for a word that's spelled the same forwards and back?

D Dave Chow 10:31  
Anagram?

P Professor Mike 10:32  
Palindrome

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:34  
"Palindrome" is what it says here. And last but not least, what is the term for a group of flamingos?

B Beth Oljar 10:42  
A bundle of birds

D Dave Chow 10:42  
A flock

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:45  
It's not a flock

P Professor Mike 10:46  
Flaming group?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:47  
Flaming group, partial credit, but-

H Heather Hill 10:50  
First letter

D Dave Chow 10:51  
A flutter, a flitter

H Heather Hill 10:53  
A flock,

J James Tubbs 10:53  
A family

H Heather Hill 10:54  
A pink

J Jeffe Boats 10:57  
Flounder, fluster, flippity flap.

H Heather Hill 11:00  
Give us the first letter.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:01  
It's F.

H Heather Hill 11:02  
It is "F". I'm so sorry I didn't hear you say that.

S Stephen Manning 11:05  
A pink nightmare.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:07  
You know, you're really close.

H Heather Hill 11:09  
A freight



Amber Hill

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:10  
I also like-

**S** Stephen Manning 11:11  
I am?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:11  
"flaminggroup". It says it's a flamboyance.

**J** Jeffe Boats 11:17  
We haven't been asked about collective nouns in way too long.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:20  
It's been a while.

**J** James Tubbs 11:20  
A flamboyance. Hmm.

**D** Dave Chow 11:21  
No, no, that's a council of chairs meeting.

**H** Heather Hill 11:23  
Come on,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:24  
"Dear profs. I saw there was another call for questions on Facebook. I've been lacking in my duty to provide more fodder for your show. Below are 20 questions all over the map I've saved up for just this occasion. Please enjoy and thanks once again for the best half hour of trivia laughs and knowledge every week". Our good friend Amber Hubley. Amber, thank you for sending these in.

**B** Beth Oljar 11:42  
Amber, Thank you.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:43  
She's great. In what year did the last streetcar operate in the great city of Detroit,

**J** James Tubbs 11:50  
1955

**D** Dave Chow 11:52  
56 or 57

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:54  
It says "56. " I mean, you two just get the heck out of here. I have no idea -

**J** James Tubbs 11:58  
Because I know we sold the street cars to Mexico City.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:00  
We sold them to Mexico City.

**D** Dave Chow 12:01  
Didn't we sell one to San Francisco?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:03  
I think something ended up there.

**P** Professor Mike 12:07  
I mean. once a car is used. isn't anv car a street car?

I mean, once a car is used, isn't any car a street car?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:10

Yeah, technically, this is more of something that was on the rails. And I, what I think is funny is, since I grew up in the mid 70s around here, it was into the 90s before those rails were actually removed from the road.

**J** James Tubbs 12:22

I remember how tragic it was to watch them repave Livernois and pull up all of those rails.

**J** Jeffe Boats 12:27

I was about to ask if there was anywhere where the old rails were still there.

**J** James Tubbs 12:30

I was thinking "Put 'em back, put 'em back"

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:31

Yep. When they redid the middle of Livernois

**J** Jeffe Boats 12:33

They didn't leave a patch of it somewhere just for historic - Aww, that's too bad.

**B** Beth Oljar 12:36

They've got it all torn up on both sides now.

**D** Dave Chow 12:39

And then, there's the ones on Washington.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:41

Mm-hm.

**D** Dave Chow 12:41  
And wasn't there that little trail that used to go to Mariner's Church?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:45  
Oh, yeah

**D** Dave Chow 12:46  
Yeah, I used to stop at Mariner's Church and go up to Washington.

**J** James Tubbs 12:48  
Hmm.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:49  
What 1970 movie garnered an Academy Award win for Helen Hayes for her portrayal of a stowaway passenger?

**J** James Tubbs 12:56  
Airport

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:57  
It was Airport

**D** Dave Chow 12:58  
Not Airplane.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:59  
That's a little different

**J** Jeffe Boats 13:03  
"Airplane" is a better movie. (Laughs)

D Dave Chow 13:04  
They should have won more awards.

B Beth Oljar 13:04  
That's right, "Excuse me, stewardess"

J James Tubbs 13:09  
She did a great job, although I really thought Maureen Stapleton did a fantastic job and as the wife of the bomber.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:14  
Mm-hm

D Dave Chow 13:14  
But does Helen Hayes speak jive?

B Beth Oljar 13:17  
That's really the question.

J Jeffe Boats 13:18  
"I picked the wrong week to stop sniffing glue."

H Heather Hill 13:26  
Professor Mike, Have you seen AIRPLANE?

P Professor Mike 13:30  
Airplane, yes

D Dave Chow 13:33

You're okay. You're okay now. You've redeemed yourself.

**P** Professor Mike 13:35  
For about 30 seconds.

**D** Dave Chow 13:37  
It Counts, It counts, It counts.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:40  
So you know, it's like the 38th year in a row that the Simpsons have been on television, and in fairly recent seasons, (Just for kicks-why not) They revealed what Bart's best friend Milhouse's middle name is. His full name is Milhouse Van Houten, but what is his middle name, according to some document that was shown on screen for five seconds?

**P** Professor Mike 14:05  
I thought it was Van.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:06  
No, that's, that's a pretty good guess.

**P** Professor Mike 14:09  
I mean, if there's -

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:11  
I mean, you're pretty close.

**P** Professor Mike 14:15  
If there are four words in his name, then two of them are both the middle name.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:20  
Yeah, that makes sense. It says here, though, that his middle name was revealed to be Mussolini.

B Beth Oljar 14:28  
The last name is Van Houten.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:30  
Yes. It was all done on purpose

B Beth Oljar 14:33  
After Leslie Van Houten?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:35  
yeah. I mean, or, you know, all the Rip Van Winkle stories,

B Beth Oljar 14:38  
He lived in Portland for a long time.


D Dave Chow 14:40  
Yeah, Matt Groening


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:42  
Yeah. He did. What American car manufacturer once had car models named Wildcat, Rainier, Cascada and Envista?


J James Tubbs 14:51  
Buick.


S Stephen Manning 14:52  
Buick


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:52


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:52  
It was a Buick

 James Tubbs 14:54  
Still has ENVISTA,


 Dave Chow 14:55  
Yeah, and they still hve the Rainier, don't they? That's the four by four.


 James Tubbs 14:58  
No

 Dave Chow 14:59  
They got rid of the Rainier?

 James Tubbs 15:00  
They got rid of it. It's the Enclave now.

 Heather Hill 15:02  
What does the ENVISTA look like?

 James Tubbs 15:04  
It's the smallest one. It's the Chevy tracks, but it's Buick.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:07  
Oh, yeah, that's right. In baseball terminology, what is a golden sombrero?

 Dave Chow 15:15  
Oh, that's four strikeouts, isn't it?





M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:17  
Four strikeouts in a single game.

J Jeffe Boats 15:19  
A sombrero is three.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:20  
Yep, the gold is derived from hat trick. Since four is bigger than three, the rationale is it should be a bigger hat.

J Jeffe Boats 15:23  
I don't know if there's a term for five strikeouts in the game, and I don't want to find out

D Dave Chow 15:31  
It's called banishment.

P Professor Mike 15:36  
Wait, four strikeouts of a single person? Yeah, for a single batter

J Jeffe Boats 15:39  
If you get up several times -

D Dave Chow 15:40  
Evansville?

J Jeffe Boats 15:41  
If you strike out all four times

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:42  
Right

D Dave Chow 15:43  
Now, that being said, How many people have actually achieved it?

J Jeffe Boats 15:46  
Not i

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:47  
Well

P Professor Mike 15:48  
If a person's, I mean, how many people are usually in a batting order?

J Jeffe Boats 15:51  
Nine in the major leagues?

D Dave Chow 15:54  
Yeah, well, you figure it's probably a lead off hitter.

J Jeffe Boats 15:57  
So everybody gets up at least three times, usually four or five.

D Dave Chow 16:00  
Yeah

J Jeffe Boats 16:00  
In a game

D Dave Chow 16:01  
There was a guy in the game last night or night before, the night they clinched. I think was a Houston guy who he came up late in the game And neither he struck out three times

Houston guy who he came up late in the game, and he never he struck out three times.

**J** Jeffe Boats 16:10  
Yeah, it's common

**J** James Tubbs 16:12  
It's fairly common. Yeah,

**J** Jeffe Boats 16:13  
if I was facing Major League Baseball pitching when I was playing, I'm sure I would have a lot of golden sombreros.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:17  
You know, I'm thinking also of the recent game we saw with Shohei Ohtani, whatever the opposite of a golden sombrero is. I believe he went six for six from the plate in that game, which is incredible.

**D** Dave Chow 16:31  
It's an albatross.

**J** Jeffe Boats 16:32  
He just might be the greatest player of all time.

**D** Dave Chow 16:34  
He had something like nine RBIs in that game.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:37  
Incredible. Nine RBIs, three home runs,

**S** Stephen Manning 16:40  
Yes.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:40  
And he was a run X number of times himself, obviously,

**B** Beth Oljar 16:43  
I remember hearing that stat about that particular game, and I'm like, I'm not even a baseball fan, and I can tell that that's an impressive-

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:51  
I believe the Dodgers won that game. I want to say they're playing the Marlins. I think they won it 20 to three,

**H** Heather Hill 16:56  
Yeah.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:56  
And I was like,

**D** Dave Chow 16:58  
Thank goodness they didn't kick the field goal, right?

**J** Jeffe Boats 17:01  
The only player of all time to get 50 home runs and 50 stolen bases.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:05  
Yeah. That's right.

**J** Jeffe Boats 17:06  
This is going back to 18, whatever, 1860 something

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:10

In Australia, what's the most common breed of cattle?

H Heather Hill 17:14  
Jersey? Guernsey?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:17  
You're on the right track with that way of thinking is all I'm gonna say Not Holstein. I just, I don't know

S Stephen Manning 17:22  
Holstein

D Dave Chow 17:26  
Angus?

S Stephen Manning 17:26  
Brahman.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:28  
Yeah, it's the American Brahmin is the number one -

D Dave Chow 17:31  
American Brahman?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:32  
Yeah,

D Dave Chow 17:32  
I thought it was Australian Brahmin

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:33  
it's kind of weird.

B Beth Oljar 17:34  
"Got to get those cheeky bulls into the big boat."

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:37  
Mm-hm. How many children did Gordie Howe have?

D Dave Chow 17:41  
Four

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:42  
Four. He did

D Dave Chow 17:43  
Murray, Mark

H Heather Hill 17:45  
Margaret

D Dave Chow 17:47  
no, uh,

J James Tubbs 17:48  
Millicent

H Heather Hill 17:48  
Mussolini,

D Dave Chow 17:50  
I know Murray was a doctor, Mark, and who's the

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:53  
Marty

D Dave Chow 17:53  
Marty as

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:54  
I believe you -

D Dave Chow 17:54  
there were the two that played hockey,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:56  
And then the daughter.

D Dave Chow 17:56  
The daughter was not Kathy, was it?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:58  
Yeah, it was Kathy. Yeah, that's right.

J Jeffe Boats 18:00  
I bet they never wear any helmets - ever. Not riding a bike.

D Dave Chow 18:03  
Murray almost made the NHL, but became a doctor

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:07  
Who played Uncle Ben in the Sam Raimi Spider Man films. That's good. That's a good piece of trivia.

**B** Beth Oljar 18:13  
Cliff Robertson

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:14  
They all have drinks named after them I think You know what - you are so close. I'm giving it to you. They actually all own wineries in Napa. So they're making their own drinks. It was Cliff Robertson, yeah, nice. And he was great at it. He was great at it. What do Tom Seaver, Arnold Palmer, Francis Ford Coppola and Boz Skaggs all have in common.

**D** Dave Chow 18:36  
Tom Seaver has a winery?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:37  
Tom Seaver wine. We call it ten buck Tom, is what they call it.

**H** Heather Hill 18:43  
(Laughing) Ten buck Tom

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:44  
I don't know, Oh my gosh

**D** Dave Chow 18:47  
What's the Boz Skagg drink tastes like?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:50  
I don't even know if I want to know



H Heather Hill 18:51  
He has a winery somewhere.

B Beth Oljar 18:53  
It's the Lido Shuffle, is what he calls it

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:57  
Who was the only American who won a gold medal at the 1968 Olympics in Grenoble, France. I believe that was winter

H Heather Hill 19:05  
Is that Dick Button?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:07  
Mm-mm

B Beth Oljar 19:07  
He was 52

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:08  
That's bananas.

J James Tubbs 19:09  
He's British.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:10  
1968

H Heather Hill 19:11  
Dick Button is not British

**J** Jeffe Boats 19:12  
Dorothy Hamill?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:12  
It wasn't Dorothy Hamill.

**B** Beth Oljar 19:13  
The skater, the ice skater?

**D** Dave Chow 19:16  
You thinking of Red Buttons?

**B** Beth Oljar 19:18  
Dick Button was American.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:21  
This is America.

**H** Heather Hill 19:22  
We're gonna fact check both of you

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:25  
Who was only American who won gold in 68

**J** James Tubbs 19:29  
Oh. Peggy Fleming.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:30  
Peggy Fleming

Robby Fleming,

- B** Beth Oljar 19:31  
Okay, I was right that it was skating, so I'm taking half the credit for that.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:35  
Yes you are
- D** Dave Chow 19:35  
Just wrong gender.
- H** Heather Hill 19:36  
Dorothy Hamill was getting there.
- S** Stephen Manning 19:38  
So the United States got one gold medal?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:41  
One gold in the Winter Olympics of '68
- B** Beth Oljar 19:42  
That's pathetic
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:42  
It is. That's wild.
- S** Stephen Manning 19:42  
I mean, we get more than any other country now
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:43

Pretty much, yeah, even the host country. But it's not us

**D** Dave Chow 19:45  
Was 68 an outlier? What did we get in in the previous years, in 64?

**B** Beth Oljar 19:56  
I think we always do better in the Summer Olympics than in the winter, because our strength in winter is primarily in skating

**D** Dave Chow 20:04  
And it's never in hockey or luge or skeleton.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:04  
That's true Sometimes it's hockey, when it's women's hockey.

**B** Beth Oljar 20:08  
And sometimes skiing.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:09  
Mm-hm. Which book of the Bible has the exploits of Samson?

**S** Stephen Manning 20:16  
Leviticus?

**J** James Tubbs 20:17  
No, uh -

**J** Jeffe Boats 20:18  
That's that would be Kings maybe?

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M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:21  
Mm-mm. That's a good guess.

J James Tubbs 20:22  
Samuel

J Jeffe Boats 20:22  
somewhere on there. Kings.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:23  
Not Samuel, Judges, One of the Judges. In what venue would you be able to see Munch's Make Believe Band?

J James Tubbs 20:26  
Judges. Okay

H Heather Hill 20:32  
In what what?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:33  
In what venue would you be able to see Munch's Make Believe Band? He was a big purple monster,

J James Tubbs 20:40  
Disney?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:41  
Not Disney

D Dave Chow 20:42  
Like Grimace?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:43  
but you're in the zone

P Professor Mike 20:46  
Illumination Studios resort thing?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:48  
No

D Dave Chow 20:48  
Did Ronald McDonald have a band with the Grimace?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:50  
Not the Muppets. Not Ronald McDonald,

H Heather Hill 20:52  
Chuck E Cheese.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:53  
It is. It's Chuck E Cheese.

D Dave Chow 20:55  
Really ?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:55  
That is the backup band at Chuck E Cheese.

J James Tubbs 20:58  
Wow

www.

- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:59  
I've never heard this before. I'm looking in a Beth-ish direction. Only one person insisted on hearing the Beatles' Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band before they approved the use of their visage on the cover. Who was it?
- H** Heather Hill 21:12  
Oh, that's a great question
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:14  
because there were a lot of visages.
- J** James Tubbs 21:16  
There were a lot of visages on that cover.
- H** Heather Hill 21:18  
Elizabeth, the second,
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:19  
No, but you know, you think it would be a queen or a -
- D** Dave Chow 21:22  
Was Marilyn Monroe still alive?
- J** James Tubbs 21:23  
She was dead.
- J** Jeffe Boats 21:25  
Soren Kierkegaard?

- B** Beth Oljar 21:26  
I'm thinking it would have been a musician.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:28  
It was not. It was an entertainer, performer/ child star,
- J** James Tubbs 21:36  
Shirley Temple
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:37  
Shirley Temple is what it says here
- J** James Tubbs 21:39  
That makes sense
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:39  
She insisted on listening to the album before approving it.
- D** Dave Chow 21:42  
What did she think of it though?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:43  
Well, I don't know.
- J** James Tubbs 21:44  
She had an image to maintain. She was a ambassador at that point.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:48  
That's right.



- J** Jeffe Boats 21:49  
She must have liked it, because her face went on there.
- B** Beth Oljar 21:51  
Everybody thought Sergeant Pepper was brilliant.
- J** James Tubbs 21:56  
The White Album was more cutting edge though
- D** Dave Chow 22:01  
What about The Beach Boys?
- B** Beth Oljar 22:02  
I think so too. Well, Pet Sounds was - They were the dueling Pet Sounds and Sergeant Pepper were the dueling albums of that time,
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:11  
Absolutely. What Saturday Night Live alum studied a year in Paris with Marcel Marceau?
- P** Professor Mike 22:18  
Is Jimmy Fallon Saturday Night Live?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:20  
He is, but this is a couple generations before that..
- P** Professor Mike 22:23  
I know he -
- J** James Tubbs 22:25  
John Belushi

**P** Professor Mike 22:26  
I know Jimmy Fallon met the French Prime Minister at the 2024 Olympics. So that would have been my guess. But

**B** Beth Oljar 22:36  
Bill Murray

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:37  
No, but you're in the right-

**B** Beth Oljar 22:39  
Chevy Chase.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:40  
Keep going.


**J** James Tubbs 22:40  
Gilda Radner


**B** Beth Oljar 22:42  
John Belushi


**D** Dave Chow 22:44  
Jane Curtin


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:44  
Haven't heard it yet.


**B** Beth Oljar 22:45

 Beth Oljar 22:15  
Gilda?


 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:46  
First generation. There's only one cast member you -

 J James Tubbs 22:49  
Lorraine Newman


 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:50  
Lorraine Newman,


 J James Tubbs 22:51  
Lorraine Newman I'm gonna go to the African American gentlemen whose name I can't remember

 H Heather Hill 22:56  
Garrett Morris


 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:56  
Garrett Morris.

 H Heather Hill 22:58  
Garrett Morris. Yeah, yeah, yeah


 D Dave Chow 23:00  
Who was the housekeeper for the White House.


 B Beth Oljar 23:02  
Nero Wolfe


- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:02  
That's right. Carla Lovchen is the adopted daughter to what famous, fictional character? Nero Wolfe I knew Beth would know that one.
- B** Beth Oljar 23:10  
Are these from Marilyn? No, they're not
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:11  
No, I don't think so.
- B** Beth Oljar 23:14  
Okay,
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:16  
You know, this might be up for a little bit of head scratching. What is Detroit's oldest church? I know that when we talk about old Sainte Anne's, it's not the one that Antoine Cadillac built. So this church was built for sure in 1848 and they're saying is the oldest church in the city?
- J** James Tubbs 23:35  
Well, that's only because Sainte Anne's has been rebuilt,
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:38  
Right. Exactly. So as it stands.
- D** Dave Chow 23:40  
The original structure?
- B** Beth Oljar 23:41  
Is it your Shrine Of The Little Flower?
- J** Jeffe Boats 23:45


 **JAMES TUBBS 23:15**  
Not Bartholomew's, the one you see off of I-75?


 **Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:45**  
No. That's a good guess. It is, uh - ell, this pretty much gives it away, but it's very much aligned to the University. Peter and Paul on East Jefferson, yeah, right next to our law school.


 **James Tubbs 23:56**  
Oh, Saints Peter and Paul


 **Dave Chow 24:00**  
George and Ringo.


 **Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:01**  
Yep, sure,

 **Heather Hill 24:04**  
That's a different church.

 **Dave Chow 24:05**  
Oh, that's a hip church. I like the choir.

 **James Tubbs 24:08**  
That's a more musical church.

 **Dave Chow 24:10**  
Yeah, the choir is really good.

 **Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:12**  
What famous performer was once married to Velma Warren, Deirdre Jenkins and Adrienne Rodriguez? I learned something today.

**D** Dave Chow 24:21  
Who are the three again?

**J** Jeffe Boats 24:22  
Not ot at the same time,

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:23  
Not at the same time. Thelma Warren, Deirdre Jenkins and Adrienne Rodriguez. initials, JB, that kind of gives it away.

**P** Professor Mike 24:33  
Justin Bieber?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:33  
No

**J** Jeffe Boats 24:34  
(Laughs)

**S** Stephen Manning 24:35  
James Brown.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:35  
James Brown is what it says here. "It's getting hot in the hot tub". That's going back to Saturday Night Live. Good call back. There you go.

**S** Stephen Manning 24:43  
I was gonna say Brad Pitt

**M** Matt Mio. Ph.D. 24:46

Oh well. He's been married to a lot of different people. What is the name of the famous flying Japanese kaiju turtle

D Dave Chow 24:53  
Gamera?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:54  
His name is Gamera. I love those movies Oh my gosh. I think there was a Gamera movie where there was some enemy that would like, make it like a loud sound or sing a song, and it would like, bring you under their spell. And so the kids, because there's always kids -

D Dave Chow 24:58  
Of course, this is the Boy Scouts

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:03  
they were all like, "Oh, we noticed it." I know you're gonna even probably know the name of the movie when I say this, like, "We noticed when we were cleaning our ears with Q tips that when we had the Q tips in our ears, we couldn't hear the magical song and Gamera, you know - " It was also a guy in a giant rubber suit. Is like, like, acknowledges this knowledge and takes two telephone poles and shoves them in his ears. I'm like, what am I even watching? Like, I just - I can't even -

D Dave Chow 25:47  
Wow!

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:48  
and he was a space turtle?

D Dave Chow 25:50  
Yes

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:50  
They put him on a stick or a string, and they would make the fireworks go off.

D Dave Chow 25:54  
Off of his limb too

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:55  
So, oh, man, that is-

P Professor Mike 25:56  
He shoved telephone poles -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:58  
Well, he's a big guy

P Professor Mike 26:00  
through the children's ears?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:02  
No, sorry - his own ears, so he couldn't hear the magical song, so he was protected again. It was either gonna be that or like a giant pair of earmuffs. I couldn't even say it.

J Jeffe Boats 26:06  
How he defeated the singing bad guy. This is groundbreaking science fiction here.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:14  
Groundbreaking science fiction,

J James Tubbs 26:18  
Groundbreaking.

D Dave Chow 26:19



Yeah, it's like that Godzilla -

**P** Professor Mike 26:20  
Every time he fell the ground-

**J** James Tubbs 26:21  
Yeah, he could have given him Godzilla a few lessons.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:23  
Maybe I didn't know - Are you like across the board, a Kaiju guy, or-

**D** Dave Chow 26:28  
The early stuff

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:29  
Okay

**D** Dave Chow 26:29  
The original Toho stuff.

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:30  
I gotta say that my mom did well by bringing me into the the world of -

**D** Dave Chow 26:35  
With Monster Week on Channel 7?

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:37  
Gojira. I mean, yeah,

**J** James Tubbs 26:38

J James Tubbs 26:38  
Your mom did?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:39  
She loves Godzilla movies. When the new ones came out, she's like first in line.

D Dave Chow 26:44  
Has she seen Godzilla Minus One yet?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:46  
I think so. But, you know, just watched it at home.

B Beth Oljar 26:49  
Does she like the song by Blue Oyster Cult?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:51  
Good question.

B Beth Oljar 26:52  
"Oh, no, there goes Tokyo. Go, go Godzilla. "

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:55  
Go, go Godzilla. Oh, my gosh!

D Dave Chow 26:57  
That's what you should have your kids dressed up as - as the two little Iwis that called for Mothra.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:02  
I all I can say, with the very limited time we have left, I saw a friend, dear friend, that I hadn't seen in a very, very long time. And I could tell that I hadn't seen him in a very long time, because there were way more tattoos than I remember. and he's not the full. like. frontal front

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arm, dominant hand, and it was Godzilla tearing Tokyo apart. I was like, "Oh, that's actually pretty cool". I would never get that, but that's good for you. The perils of nuclear weapons.

**D** Dave Chow 27:26  
There's an amazing exhibit in Tokyo right now. They've actually brought out the costumes

**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:30  
so people can actually look at them up close. That is totally awesome. Yep

**D** Dave Chow 27:30  
For people to -

**J** Jeffe Boats 27:34  
History shows again and again -


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:36  
Yes


**J** Jeffe Boats 27:36  
how nature points out the folly of men.


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:39  
Nice


**B** Beth Oljar 27:39  
Indeed,


**M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:41  
Professors, I'm so sorry. We have reached the end of our sojourn. We had so much fun, but the time has come to say goodbye. Jeffe.


 **Jeffe Boats** 27:48  
Skyscrapers are high fiber.


 **Matt Mio, Ph.D.** 27:51  
Mike,


 **Professor Mike** 27:54  
Honestly, I didn't know what was going on. See ya.


 **Matt Mio, Ph.D.** 27:57  
(Laughs) Jim


 **James Tubbs** 27:59  
Bye.


 **Matt Mio, Ph.D.** 27:59  
Dave


 **Dave Chow** 28:00  
See ya


 **Matt Mio, Ph.D.** 28:00  
Stephen,


 **Dave Chow** 28:01  
You fit right in, Mike


 **Matt Mio, Ph.D.** 28:02  
Heather

 Heather Hill 28:03  
Bye

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:04  
And Beth

 Beth Oljar 28:05  
Bye.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:05  
And now these words

 Announcer 28:07  
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 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:16  
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