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SPEAKERS

Dave Chow, Danielle Maxwell, Michael Jayson, Heather Hill, James Tubbs, Erin Bell, Matt Mio, Ph.D., Professors, Stephen Manning


- 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 Department of English, it's Professor Heather Hill,
- H** Heather Hill 00:20
Hi
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:20
Hi.
- H** Heather Hill 00:22
(Laughs) How are you?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:23
So it's just been an eventful week, just across the board, in like so many different circles and things, and -
- H** Heather Hill 00:20

 Heather Hill 00:29

I know, right?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:30


I don't even know what to say. Seated next to you, of course, is Professor Stephen Manning, retired from the Department of Political Science.

 Heather Hill 00:36

Lucky man

 Stephen Manning 00:37


Good afternoon.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:38

Yes. It's not sort of a classic Detroit Lions hat, but it has a lion on it.

 Stephen Manning 00:43


Yeah. Isn't this a nice hat? I got that downtown last week -

 Heather Hill 00:48

two weeks ago

 Stephen Manning 00:49

two weeks ago at our cheese shop.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:50

Oh, okay. I can dig it.

 Stephen Manning 00:55

DeVries Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:57
Okay

S Stephen Manning 00:58
Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:59
So you bought a hat at a cheese shop.

E Erin Bell 01:00
Okay, just want to make sure

S Stephen Manning 01:02
A hat in the cheese shop. An they have a lot of Detroit kind of stuff.

D Dave Chow 01:02
Why not?

H Heather Hill 01:06
It's the kind of place that has all this sort of kitschy stuff out front, and then it's got the two floors on top, right?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:12
That's cool

S Stephen Manning 01:12
Funky T shirts. But they have incredible cheese there too And incredible cheese. Yes

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:17
No, that's great.

S Stephen Manning 01:18
So I'm, you know, not gonna wear my - I've retired my Tigers hat.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:22
Oh, well, that's a whole different story.

J James Tubbs 01:25
For the time being.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:26
I think that Professor Danielle Maxwell Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, you were watching Yankees-Cards last night, right?

D Danielle Maxwell 01:32
I was not. No, I was watching Thursday night football

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

D Danielle Maxwell 01:37
Yeah, and shopping at Meijer for Chem Club

D Dave Chow 01:38
At the same time?

D Danielle Maxwell 01:40
A little bit of both, actually.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:43

Professor Jim Tubbs is here from Department of Religious Studies, talking about some interesting student issues evolving this term.

J James Tubbs 01:50
Oh, well -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:51
When I walked in the room

J James Tubbs 01:53
Yes. We can leave those aside for this afternoon.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:57
Professor Erin Bell is here - first show as director of The Writing Center. (The professors applaud.)

E Erin Bell 02:04
Thanks.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:05
It's kind of a big deal, I would say.

E Erin Bell 02:06
It is a big deal. And the beauty is, I'm right up in Briggs, so now I can come down every Friday.

H Heather Hill 02:11
(Laughing) It's one of the reasons she applied.

E Erin Bell 02:13
I want to be where the cool kids are at. No, it's really great. The exciting news this week was that I got the heat turned on. So that was really stellar. I was just in such a great mood.

D Dave Chow 02:24
They usually turn it on in July. Don't they?

S Stephen Manning 02:25
I was gonna say - You like being in Briggs? Wait till the summer.

E Erin Bell 02:28
Well, I'm always cold. And then I got here and I've been freezing. But anyway -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:28
Yeah No, it's good.

E Erin Bell 02:34
The job is great. And the students up there are really awesome. So I'm excited to take it in a new and wonderful direction.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:40
I think that we are the cool kids for hanging out with you.

E Erin Bell 02:43
Oh, thanks. It's all my friends over here in CHASS. See, I wore my chest CHASS t-shirt and everything

H Heather Hill 02:49
The best t-shirt on campus.

D Danielle Maxwell 02:51
Oh, you just said it on the air.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:51

The best t shirt on campus, from what I've heard. That's absolutely right. I asked the Dean if I could have one. And her, like, within five seconds reaction told me it was not going to happen. (Laughs) She wasn't, like, throwing it at me. She was like, "Oh, Matt, those are for like, you know, people who work in our college" . I'm like, "But I was gonna buy one. I was gonna, like, contribute, support the cause". Don't repeat that. I won't say which dean it was, there we go. I won't say which dean it was.

H

Heather Hill 03:22

Well, it's pretty darned obvious

D

Danielle Maxwell 03:24

It's very obvious who you talked to here.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:26

Professor Dave Chow is here from the University of 711 at 4am

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Dave Chow 03:32

Yes

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:32

Excellent.

D

Dave Chow 03:33

Actually, I didn't go last night.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:34

Oh, okay

D

Dave Chow 03:35

I had pizza at home.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:36

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:30

Okay. This is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you win a prize. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. You can email at us - if you want to use that old method of communication at atp@unimercy.edu. Find us, oh, even older, on Facebook or Instagram, sort of mid or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play Ask The Professor at University of Detroit, Mercy. Okie dokie, "Dear Matt and professors: Below are 25 questions on a variety of topics that will hopefully keep the professors on their toes. Why let them get on a roll like some contestants seem to do on Jeopardy when they tear into a single topic? Nah. It's hopefully to keep you entertained, enthralled, and spur the amazing banter off topic that's the secret sauce of your fine show".

D Dave Chow 04:27

We have secret sauce?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:28

We do. "Again. I hope my questions will be used for a future show". They will. 3 - 2 - 1, now. "Sincerely, Rachel Ralston", our friend from Iowa, if you remember. What is the only African nation never to be colonized. I suppose I've never heard something like this before.

D Dave Chow 04:46

I am resisting looking at the U.S. map.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:48

Yeah

J James Tubbs 04:49

Liberia.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:50

It's not what it says. I don't even know if this would have been my guess.

D Dave Chow 04:54

Madagascar?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:55



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:55

No, it's not what it says here. I'm hoping our political scientist has a direction to go. There are many country choices.



Dave Chow 05:03

No Portuguese, no British.



Danielle Maxwell 05:06

I'm thinking like towards the middle, like inaccessible, like colonizers couldn't physically get there.



Erin Bell 05:11

That's a good guess.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:12

Yeah, that's reasonable. The capital. I mean, I would give it away. The capital is Harare. I think it still is Harare, right?



James Tubbs 05:15

Zimbabwe?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:16

Uh, that's not what it - Oh, is that the capital -



Heather Hill 05:24

of Zimbabwe?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:25

Oh no. I screwed it up. I screwed it up. It says here it's Ethiopia.



Heather Hill 05:29

Ethiopia.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:30
Has never been colonized.

J James Tubbs 05:31
Oh!

D Dave Chow 05:32
Really?

H Heather Hill 05:33
Harare, Zimbabwe.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:34
Yeah. Oh, man. I messed that up. I thought that Zimbabwe has the capital Harare.

H Heather Hill 05:39
Are you gonna fact check this?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:41
Yeah. I don't know, it says never colonized.

D Dave Chow 05:44
That's what I'm thinking.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:44
Never colonized.

S Stephen Manning 05:46

Maybe they didn't colonize it. They did something else to it.

D Dave Chow 05:49
But they hung around

E Erin Bell 05:49
Right

D Dave Chow 05:51
They opened up a franchise.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:52
Let's take a look at the map, see if it helps you. Which is larger New York City Central Park or the country of Monaco by square miles?

H Heather Hill 06:00
Central Park

J James Tubbs 06:00
Central Park

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:01
Central Park is twice the size of Monaco. Yeah, that's right,

J James Tubbs 06:04
Monica is tiny.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:05
Yeah, very, very small



H Heather Hill 06:07
I've been there. It's pretty.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:09
Yeah, it is.

H Heather Hill 06:10
Jim's been there too. It's pretty

S Stephen Manning 06:12
Wealthy too

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:13
Apparently. Does anybody remember who provided the voice for Robot on Lost in Space?

D Dave Chow 06:19
Dick Tufeld. Dick Tufeld was his name.

H Heather Hill 06:22
Anybody remember? Dave. (Laughs)

D Dave Chow 06:24
Yes. Sorry.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:26
"Danger, Will Robinson". Mm-hm. In the classic game of Monopoly, if your token is on Baltic Avenue and you rolled an 11, where do you land?

D Danielle Maxwell 06:34
Oh, my goodness.

D Dave Chow 06:35
Wait. Hold on.

D Danielle Maxwell 06:36
I'm, like, playing the board in my mind,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:37
Actually, I'm looking at Jim because he loves to say this word in a very specific way.

J James Tubbs 06:43
Oh, Virginia.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:43
Virginia Avenue. Yes.


J James Tubbs 06:45
Virginia Avenue


D Dave Chow 06:46
Not states,


H Heather Hill 06:48
What color are the - ?


D Dave Chow 06:49
Purple?


J James Tubbs 06:50
Virginia.


 Dave Chow 06:50
Purple.


 James Tubbs 06:51
Virginia's basketball coach just retired today.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:54
I saw that. Yes,


 James Tubbs 06:55
And I've always been sort of amazed at the honesty of the man. But he basically said he doesn't have the passion anymore to take them where they need to go. So he wants to leave it to the other staff

 Dave Chow 07:06
Well he's also having to deal with a portal too.

 James Tubbs 07:09
So yes

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:10
N - I - L up the wazoo.

 James Tubbs 07:12
N-I- L and the portal have been driving him crazy for a long time.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:14
Can't blame him.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:15

H Heather Hill 07:15
The portal is just such a - I still can't get over that

D Dave Chow 07:18
It's Star Trek, isn't it?

J James Tubbs 07:19
They've got a decent record

E Erin Bell 07:20
"I'm like "Well, yeah. What are you talking about?"

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:21
It's very Sci-Fi

E Erin Bell 07:22
Deep Space Nine, oh, that portal, yeah, okay, got ya

H Heather Hill 07:25
Yeah. That portal. It's such a weird word to use -

J James Tubbs 07:29
Recruit any stars, and when they can come in and out that way, it really harms his ability to -

H Heather Hill 07:35
I'm like, what's a worm hole

J James Tubbs 07:35
particularly that pack line defense. You've got to do it for a long time,

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H Heather Hill 07:38
and it messes up the time space equalibruim.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:40
Absolutely. My favorite are those Dr Pepper ads where they visualize the things that happen in college football. And when someone enters the portal, a portal opens

H Heather Hill 07:49
Exactly,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:50
and they walk through, and then the people left behind are like, "Yeah, you really shouldn't build your team around a quarterback anyway". And I think that that's funny

J James Tubbs 07:57
I don't see what was wrong with having the, you know, the one year delay -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:01
Right

J James Tubbs 08:02
when you transfer.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:03
Well, I don't think there's anything wrong with it. I just think that somebody's wallet is getting lighter and that's the end of it.


J James Tubbs 08:08
Oh sure, yeah,


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:10


Did you know that the western most and eastern most points of United States soil - (Do we use for, you know, words like that anymore) have nothing to do with North America. Where is the westernmost point of U.S. soil and the easternmost point of U.S. soil?


 Danielle Maxwell 08:24
Guam


 James Tubbs 08:25
Guam.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:25
Guam is the western most point.


 Dave Chow 08:27
Oh, I was thinking, like, the Aleutians

 Danielle Maxwell 08:29
Is Puerto Rico the most eastern?

 James Tubbs 08:30
Eastern most is -

 Danielle Maxwell 08:31
Alaska.

 James Tubbs 08:33
No, Eastern most would be-

 Danielle Maxwell 08:34
If you go east far enough. (Laughs)

J James Tubbs 08:36
Yeah. No, it's not continental, I don't think

H Heather Hill 08:39
Some island

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:40
I'm going to give you partial credit for "some island".

D Danielle Maxwell 08:43
U.S Virgin Islands?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:45
It says here it's St. Croix,

J James Tubbs 08:46
Okay,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:47
St Croix,

H Heather Hill 08:47
"Some island"

J James Tubbs 08:49
Well, St John is further west than - No, it's further east than St. Croix,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:54
Okay, I -

D Dave Chow 08:57
More fact checking.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:58
You know, I didn't know there was going to be fact checking at this event. (The professors laugh) That was a JD Vance joke. What percentage of Canadians live south of Seattle?

D Dave Chow 09:11
Lots,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:12
We've had this count this thing before,

D Dave Chow 09:14
Lots, because there's Toronto, Montreal -

D Danielle Maxwell 09:17
70%

J James Tubbs 09:17
60%

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:17
I've heard- We're getting there - Kendra Evans style. 66. It's between 60 and 70, yeah.

E Erin Bell 09:18
Many.

J James Tubbs 09:22
I know that 80% live within 100 miles of the US border

I know that 66% live within 100 miles of the US border.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:25
That is correct.

S Stephen Manning 09:26
Wait a minute. Wait a minute. Percentage of Canadians who live south of Seattle?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:31
Seattle, Washington, yeah. If we draw a line across North America -

D Dave Chow 09:35
Take a look. Like Toronto -

J James Tubbs 09:37
because when you cross Lake Superior, then all of that over to the east is below Seattle

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:42
Yeah exactly.

D Dave Chow 09:43
Montreal,

S Stephen Manning 09:44
63

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:45
66%

S Stephen Manning 09:47

Well, that's where the urban areas are too

D Dave Chow 09:47
Mind you - Yes

S Stephen Manning 09:50
Toronto, Montreal,

J James Tubbs 09:51
All of southern Ontario, all of southern Quebec.

S Stephen Manning 09:53
Alright.


H Heather Hill 09:53
It's all making sense.


S Stephen Manning 09:54
Having looked at the map, I withdraw my objection. (Matt laughs)


J James Tubbs 09:58
And Newfoundland, too.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:59
I don't think the map's gonna help. Besides the US, what other country is the only one that allows pharmaceutical companies to advertise directly to consumers? Did you know The U.S was one on a list of two?


J James Tubbs 10:11
India,


 Dave Chow 10:12
Canada


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:12
it is not. It is not.


 Heather Hill 10:13
China,


 Stephen Manning 10:14
Mexico,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:15
Nope, nope. Tiny.

 Heather Hill 10:17
Tiny

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:18
Island.

 Heather Hill 10:19
Island.

 Stephen Manning 10:19
Madagascar, no.

 Heather Hill 10:21
Tiny island.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:23
If I say if I say "Kiwi", you say

H Heather Hill 10:26
New Zealand.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:27
New Zealand.

D Dave Chow 10:28
I was gonna say "shoe polish"

J James Tubbs 10:29
I didn't notice it when I was there.

D Dave Chow 10:32
I think you had your mind on different things

J James Tubbs 10:33
I did. I did.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:34
The only thing about the political ads that doesn't have me upset is that I don't need to see all those drug ads anymore. So the moment the election passes, we're gonna have to go back to all drug ads on TV. Pretty much. What is the only country in the world that doesn't have any red, white or blue in its flag?

E Erin Bell 10:51
My gosh, my son would know this.

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- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:53
The literal reason that one of the Olympic rings is Black is because of this country, because all the five Olympic rings have to have one color from every country's flag.
- J** James Tubbs 11:03
Yeah.
- H** Heather Hill 11:05
Greece
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:07
Greece is white and blue.
- J** James Tubbs 11:12
Turkestan
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:15
(Laughs) tl is a country of the Americas, broadly speaking. Their flag is black and yellow and green. No. It's not Brazil.
- D** Danielle Maxwell 11:24
Is this Brazil?
- D** Dave Chow 11:25
Oh, um - Jamaica,
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:27
Jamaica. Jamaica.
- D** Dave Chow 11:28
I was thinking "bobsled"

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:30
No red, white or blue.

S Stephen Manning 11:30
Bobsled country, yes,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:31
Mm-hm. What city has bid for the Olympic Games the most time having failed every time? Are you ready? 44, 52 56, 60, 64, 68 72,

D Dave Chow 11:47
Wait, 68? Detroit,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:48
Detroit, Michigan, is the answer. Absolutely,

D Dave Chow 11:52
Isn't it a Detroit-Windsor thing? They were trying to do the international bid.

H Heather Hill 11:56
Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:57
I mean, Windsor is about as big as Southfield. I don't still think they have the infrastructure

D Dave Chow 12:01
Sandwich. Sandwich

M Matt Mio. Ph.D. 12:02

We could do the Winter Olympics, but we'd be at the mercy of whatever the weather was that year. That's the problem. Seven bids, all fails. Who are the first brothers in secession, so not at the same time to be nominated for "Best Actor" Oscar?

H Heather Hill 12:20
Oscar brothers.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:24
Oscar brothers. One has a movie out now. The first version of it was really good, but apparently the second one was really bad.

D Danielle Maxwell 12:30
Something with The Joker, then?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:31
Yes, they both played the Joker,

D Dave Chow 12:34
Oh, Joaquin Phoenix

J James Tubbs 12:34
and River?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:36
and River Phoenix.

D Dave Chow 12:37
River Phoenix? What did he get the nomination for?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:40
I'm sure I don't know.

E Erin Bell 12:41
"My Own Private Idaho"? or

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:42
Nice

J James Tubbs 12:43
Yes, "My Own Private Idaho" was what it was.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:45
Good reference. Since its invention in 1950, this common object has remained almost completely unchanged over the years, with more than 100 billion sold and an amazing 14 million on average, sold daily in the United States

J James Tubbs 13:01
Frisbee

D Danielle Maxwell 13:01
Sliced bread. (Laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:03
What was it?

D Dave Chow 13:04
Un sliced bread

D Danielle Maxwell 13:04
Sliced bread

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M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:04
No. And you said -

H Heather Hill 13:08
Paper clips.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:09
You're in the office supply -

D Dave Chow 13:12
Oh, where is Beth when you need her.

S Stephen Manning 13:13
Stapler

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:15
Mm-mm

D Danielle Maxwell 13:15
Pen?

S Stephen Manning 13:16
Oh, hole punch,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:18
Mm-mm

E Erin Bell 13:18
White out.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:19
When you say 13 million, and you think of like, small paper clips. You're like "kay, I can make those numbers work". Yeah, it's the Bic ball point is what it is. That's right,

D Dave Chow 13:28
Okay.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:28
It has the exact same design as in the 1950s

D Dave Chow 13:31
And they make great weapons

D Danielle Maxwell 13:32
I saw a TikTok about that recently. That's the only reason why,

E Erin Bell 13:35
See. Social media


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:36
"They make great weapons" is what you said?


D Dave Chow 13:38
They do.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:38
Okay. Okay. You know that ball point tip pen? That thing is indestructable Okay, I just, I thought there was gonna be a story. I was like, whoa.


D Dave Chow 13:46
Oh, we got one. (The professors laugh)


Oh, we got one. (The professors laugh)


 James Tubbs 13:49
Be careful.


 Dave Chow 13:50
I'm giving away far too much.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:52
Where did Andy Warhol go to undergrad?


 Dave Chow 13:56
Pittsburgh.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:57
Yeah,


 Erin Bell 13:58
yeah.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:58
But not Pitt.

 James Tubbs 13:59
Carnegie Mellon?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:02
Carnegie Mellon, yeah. What was the original advertised sales price of a basic Ford Mustang v1
- (so version 1) 1964,





 Heather Hill 14:14
\$3,000

 James Tubbs 14:15
\$2,300,

 Danielle Maxwell 14:15
So like \$3


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:16
So I think that you were pretty close, Heather. You said-


 Heather Hill 14:21
3000

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:22
3000. It was only 2300 bucks. Yeah.

 Danielle Maxwell 14:25
Practically \$3

 Stephen Manning 14:27
I said \$2499

 Heather Hill 14:28
Yeah. Stephen was closer.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:29
Okay, okay. It says \$2,368.

H Heather Hill 14:32
Wow.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:33
Yeah, mm-hm. What author- screenwriter directed the movie COMA, and created the television show. E-R?

J James Tubbs 14:42
oh. Robin Cook No, he wrote, um -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:43
No.

D Dave Chow 14:44
Oh, Who am I thinking of?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:47
I'm sort of surprised. I was sure this was gonna be -

D Dave Chow 14:49
Not Irwin Allen, but, uh - Michael Crichton.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:50
If I say two words, you'll immediately say it. He also wrote a very important piece of fiction that became a movie, Jurassic Park. Oh, I guess I did know that Michael Crichton. Passed away in like, his early to mid 60s, just like set the world on fire, and then he was gone. It's kind of weird. In what city was the very first Kentucky Fried Chicken franchise, not the original. So I can tell you, it's not Kentucky. In 952 the first franchise opened. Now you can look at the map

J James Tubbs 15:23
Columbus .Ohio.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:23
That's a really good guess, but way farther west

H Heather Hill 15:27
Los Angeles

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:28
Was in LA though,

D Danielle Maxwell 15:29
Kansas City,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:30
Nope. Further west

J James Tubbs 15:32
Denver,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:33
nope.

S Stephen Manning 15:33
Las Vegas,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:34
Getting close,

D Dave Chow 15:36
Reno,

S Stephen Manning 15:36
Reno

J James Tubbs 15:38
Sacramento.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:40
We're just throwing darts at the dartboard.

D Danielle Maxwell 15:43
Salt Lake City

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:43
It was Salt Lake City. SLC,


D Dave Chow 15:46
How did you pull that one off?


D Danielle Maxwell 15:47
Looking at the map (Laughs)


D Dave Chow 15:50
Okay.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:52
The Nepalese festival known as Kukur Tihar celebrates what? Nepales


D Dave Chow 15:59
Pronunciations?


 Heather Hill 15:59
The spring?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:02
Nope


 Danielle Maxwell 16:04
Safe voyage from the mountain.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:05
It celebrates a specific animal that they have in their culture.


 Stephen Manning 16:09
The Yak

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:10
Yak is a good guess.

 James Tubbs 16:12
The Yeti

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:12
No, and it's not a yeti

 Stephen Manning 16:14
Mountain goat,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:15
An animal very close to most families in Nepal.

D Danielle Maxwell 16:20
The cow ?

S Stephen Manning 16:21
Cocker spaniels (Laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:23
So, the answer is, it's a dog celebration festival

H Heather Hill 16:26
I said puppies.

D Dave Chow 16:27
I'm sorry. I heard cocker spaniel and there was a lot of chuckling over your response Well, why not?

H Heather Hill 16:35
It was a group effort

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:37
For the record, it celebrates dog loyalty and friendship

J James Tubbs 16:42
Isn't that sweet

S Stephen Manning 16:43
Dogs are loyal?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:44

Yeah, relatively speaking.

D Danielle Maxwell 16:45
More than cats,

J James Tubbs 16:46
More than cats. Yes

D Danielle Maxwell 16:48
(Laughs) That's a whole different conversation.

S Stephen Manning 16:48
What's wrong with our dog?

H Heather Hill 16:53
He's just a husky

E Erin Bell 16:54
Yeah,

S Stephen Manning 16:55
He's many things. Loyalty is not one of them.


D Danielle Maxwell 16:57
That is why,


D Dave Chow 16:58
Not yet, not yet.


M Matt Min Ph D 17:01


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:24


This is an old bit of 90s internet lore from, like, literally, the very, very beginning of people using the internet to communicate. But in the movie The Matrix, if you actually screen grab the falling green bits of data that occur several and then decode them, they make something. What is it? Not a picture. It actually is some kind of text


 S Stephen Manning 17:23
A poem


 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:25
Uh, no.


 D Dave Chow 17:27
A resume.


 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:27
No, it's not a resume. It's not a poem. We're gonna get close, I have a feeling,

 J James Tubbs 17:32
War and Peace

 H Heather Hill 17:33
Declaration of Independence

 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:35
Nope, It's not a famous document,

 S Stephen Manning 17:36
A recipe.

 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:37
It's a recipe. It's a sushi recipe. (The professors laugh) That was just something - I'm like, "I'm

not gonna go re-watch the matrix to lose the, you know, detail"

D Dave Chow 17:47
Spicy California roll?

S Stephen Manning 17:49
Before I said that, I was like "This is pretty stupid, but I'm gonna say it anyway".

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:52
No, it's not stupid at all.

S Stephen Manning 17:53
What was the recipe for?

H Heather Hill 17:54
There are no stupid answers

D Danielle Maxwell 17:56
It was a sushi recipe.

S Stephen Manning 17:57
Oh, sushi

D Danielle Maxwell 17:57
Sushi recipe.

S Stephen Manning 17:58
Yeah. Yeah.

M Matt Mio Ph D 18:00

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:00
Why can't you own a single guinea pig in Switzerland?

D Danielle Maxwell 18:04
They need to be in pairs.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:05
They do have to be in pairs. It's considered by law an act of cruelty to only own one.

P Professors 18:10
Awww!

S Stephen Manning 18:11
I thought the Swiss were neutral.

D Dave Chow 18:13
Not when it comes to guinea pigs, obviously,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:14
Not when it comes to guinea pigs, Oh my gosh, what is the significance of the Big Zero Soccer Stadium in Brazil?

H Heather Hill 18:23
Big Zero?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:25
So I saw this, like with an overhead shot, a drone shot, a helicopter shot. I nearly said an elevator shot, that wouldn't work. And I assumed, because it's an open area stadium, that it was because the stadium made it look like a zero. But that is not it.

H Heather Hill 18:41
So the question is, what's the significance of the name?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:45
that it's nicknamed the Big Zero

D Dave Chow 18:46
The opening in the roof makes a zero?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:49
No

D Dave Chow 18:49
Is it a sponsor?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:50
No, it's not a sponsor. That's a good guess.


D Danielle Maxwell 18:52
They won zero times.


H Heather Hill 18:55
Is it at a certain longitude?


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:56
That is exactly what it is. One team will defend one hemisphere of the earth and the other will defend the other, because it's exactly at zero degrees.


E Erin Bell 19:06
That's pretty cool

D Dave Chow 19:07


 Dave Chow 19:07
On the equator. Okay,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:08
That's kinda cool. In other news, Comerica Park is one of only three south facing home plate scenarios in all of Major League Baseball.


 Heather Hill 19:17
I did not know that


 Stephen Manning 19:18
South-facing home plates

 Dave Chow 19:19
Hey, It beats Dallas Stadium with that sun coming down

 James Tubbs 19:22
And I think it's only one of two that has a dirt path from home base to the pitcher's mound,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:27
And the Tigers are in the minimum for teams that have the dugout on the third base side, because that's a long standing tradition. What is the approximate SPF of having a beard? I've never seen this before. This is great. You actually get an SPF from having a beard

 Heather Hill 19:45
15.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:46
It's a little higher,

 Danielle Maxwell 19:47
20

J James Tubbs 19:47
20,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:48
it's 21 . Yeah,

J James Tubbs 19:49
21

E Erin Bell 19:50
Good for you guys.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:51
Absolutely.


E Erin Bell 19:51
It's really nice - growing your own SPF.


H Heather Hill 19:53
I might be soon anyway, nevermind. It's just hormones.


D Dave Chow 19:58
Just weave it around. Just weave it around


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:00
Weave it around. Who are more charitable - Oh, dear Lord - lower income people or higher income people?


D Danielle Maxwell 20:09


 Danielle Maxwell 20:08
lower income people


 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:09
Absolutely, absolutely .


 E Erin Bell 20:12
Higher proportion overall of their income - Noquestion


 J James Tubbs 20:14
Yeah,


 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:15
and their giving to charities. And that's just makes me want to vomit. What lasts longer on Venus, (this is an old joke), a day or a year?

 S Stephen Manning 20:25
A day

 D Danielle Maxwell 20:26
A day does last longer

 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:27
Yeah,

 D Dave Chow 20:27
That's like one of those = It's gotta be a day

 M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:30
A day lasts, if you don't mind, from the Earth's perspective, a few days longer than a year. That is right.

D Dave Chow 20:35
Oh, because it doesn't spin, or what?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:37
It spins very slowly

J James Tubbs 20:39
Very slowly. Yes,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:40
Absolutely. I had a weird experience this week. I don't know if you've ever seen these videos on the internet. They'll show you the relative size of objects or animals, and they run out, you know, to go from something small to something big. And they said, "you're in the middle of what amounted to be Hong Kong, and you look up at the sky, and all eight of the major - (except for Earth) - eight of the major planets go by in the sky. And honestly, my body had a weird reaction to seeing Jupiter go by. It fills the entire dome of the sky. And I was like, "Oh my God!" Like, what would I do if I saw that? And then I saw the moon last night. It was pretty close actually. Super Moon last night.

D Danielle Maxwell 21:19
Yeah, it was beautiful.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:20
Go look at the moon.

J James Tubbs 21:21
It was a beautiful moon.

D Dave Chow 21:22
What about the comet?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:23

atOh

E Erin Bell 21:24
Where is that comet

D Dave Chow 21:24
It's up there too.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:25
I sent a great meme to Beth earlier in the week. Someone went to, like, rural Arizona, New Mexico, put on one of those inflatable Tyrannosaurus costumes, got the comet going right over its head, and then posted "Not again!" That was awesome. That was totally awesome. Why was John Wayne given deferment from service in World War II?

H Heather Hill 21:49
Flat feet?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:50
That's not what it says here, but I like that.

D Dave Chow 21:52
Heel spurs?

S Stephen Manning 21:52
No, that was, that was,

D Dave Chow 21:53
Oh yeah,

H Heather Hill 21:54
Heal spurs , Heal spurs is a good one, yeah,

J James Tubbs 21:56
because he was needed for -

D Dave Chow 21:58
Morale?

J James Tubbs 21:59
Acting for morale things?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:00
I feel like I got to give it to you. FYI, he was 34 but that's not the reason. He actually attempted to enlist. But Republic Studios intervened and said, "Not our A-list actor". Yes, he wanted to fight. I think that's cool. Think that's kind of cool.

S Stephen Manning 22:16
Ted Williams didn't do that. He went.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:20
Professors, what breed of dog is "the king of terriers"? I've never heard that term before,

E Erin Bell 22:26
King of terriers?

H Heather Hill 22:28
The king?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:28
There are many terriers, each more devilish than the last. No, I'm just kidding. What breed of dog is the king of terriers?

E Erin Bell 22:35
Can it be the pit bull?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:35
That's not what it says

H Heather Hill 22:37
The rat terrier.

E Erin Bell 22:38
Oh, the skipper. I had a skipper. That thing was, like, off the hook,

D Dave Chow 22:42
Boston Terrier?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:44
Not Boston. Nope.

S Stephen Manning 22:47
Scottish Terrier

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:48
Nope.

D Dave Chow 22:49
Karn?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:50
No. I feel like anything I would say that would get you to say this, like, one time -

E Erin Bell 22:54
What's the little one on FRAZIER? Little cutie

D Dave Chow 22:56
Jack Russell

E Erin Bell 22:57
Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:57
No, it's not Jack Russell

J James Tubbs 22:58
Oh, yeah. The Jack Russell is small,

E Erin Bell 22:59
But they're cute. Their the king

J James Tubbs 23:01
They're not the king of anything though.

E Erin Bell 23:03
Oh, they want the big - Oh, I thought it was like attitude, I see,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:07
I believe that if I know this breed of dog, even half wise,, it's sort of medium to larger, not like gigantic, but medium to large. So I think that's why.

D Dave Chow 23:16
like a bouvier?

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M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:17
It's called the king. No, that's not what it says here. I once saw one of these in our neighborhood, and I was like, "I've never seen one in person before". It's unique body type. Is that the way to say it?

D Dave Chow 23:28
Was it three legged? What. (The professors laugh)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:33
It was a three legged dog named Little Brudder. No. (The professors laugh) No, not that.

D Danielle Maxwell 23:39
Did it have like, the word like "hair" in it, like wire-haired or something?

D Dave Chow 23:42
No, but it has another sort of sub word that occurs in a lot of dog - uh - Mange?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:50
I just if I say - I mean, what are you breathing right now?

J James Tubbs 23:55
Airedale.

H Heather Hill 23:55
Air.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:56
It's an airedale. Yeah, an airedale. So yeah. They're sort of like - I think they're bred for sport or running, if I remember correctly.

D Dave Chow 24:04
Aren't they water dogs?

D Danielle Maxwell 24:06
I don't even know what it looks like,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:06
Are they?

D Dave Chow 24:09
it's a big, reddish - It looks like a sheep.

D Danielle Maxwell 24:12
It looks like a sheep walking down the street - with the three legs.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:16
Oh my god, the three leg comment

D Dave Chow 24:18
Three legged dog,

D Danielle Maxwell 24:19
Three legged sheep.

D Dave Chow 24:20
It's like that one fossil again, right?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:22
Oh yeah, no, that's right. That's right. These were really great set of questions, Rachel. Feel free to cobble them together and send them at any other time. But we have one more that I'm

sure will take us to, unfortunately, the end of today's show. What model in the Pontiac car line was the last?

S Stephen Manning 24:37
Ooh, Catalina.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:39
That's not what it says here. For the record, January 2010. Yeah, that was the last of the Pontiacs

D Dave Chow 24:45
Sunfire?

S Stephen Manning 24:46
Sunbird?

J James Tubbs 24:47
Sunfire?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:48
That's not what it says,

S Stephen Manning 24:50
Pontiac, hold on.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:51
Sun down. No, I'm kidding.

J James Tubbs 24:52
Not the Aztec.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:54
No. It wasn't one of those -

D Dave Chow 24:56
What was the brand?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:57
proto - what are they called - cyber trucks

H Heather Hill 24:59
Oh,

J James Tubbs 25:01
They were odd looking. And, yeah, they had the the wedge-shaped glass window

H Heather Hill 25:06
A Bel Air isn't a Pontiac?

J James Tubbs 25:07
No, no, that's a Chevy.

H Heather Hill 25:09
Okay, sorry,

J James Tubbs 25:10
And it's not the GTO

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:13
No, but I'll tell you what. It's one of their ones where it has just a very, very simple name that's just letters and numbers,

S Stephen Manning 25:19
the G7?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:20
The G6

D Dave Chow 25:22
The G7 is a summit. Yes, yes. I was not going to reference the -

S Stephen Manning 25:27
That was billed as sort of a muscle car,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:29
Yeah, a little bit, a little bit. But Pontiacs, yeah, they just don't, uh -

J James Tubbs 25:35
because they didn't have any more muscle cars. (Laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:36
Yeah, no more muscle -

J James Tubbs 25:38
They used to have some great ones.

D Dave Chow 25:39
Yeah

S Stephen Manning 25:40

My first two cars were '64 GTOs.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:43
Look at that. Where is that car?

S Stephen Manning 25:46
That was the first year

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:46
Yeah, where is that car?

S Stephen Manning 25:48
And it's, it was the only year that they had the horizontal headlights

J James Tubbs 25:53
Yeah.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:53
Oh my gosh.

S Stephen Manning 25:54
in '65 one year they went vertical, so if you go to The Dream Cruise, you sit there. I used to tell the kids "The first one that shows me a 64 - " They'd say "There's one". No, they're vertical. It's gotta be horizontal.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:07
I love it

S Stephen Manning 26:08
And I inherited from Heather's dad a picture. Maybe I'll bring it in next time. Picture of a GTO. It's kind of a panoramic thing. If you look at it, it looks bigger than it actually was

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:19
Sure

S Stephen Manning 26:20
All of a 64 GTO's -

H Heather Hill 26:21
Yeah, my dad, my dad had a GOAT.

S Stephen Manning 26:23
He had one

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:24
Nice

H Heather Hill 26:24
and it was white.

S Stephen Manning 26:25
And there was a guy in this building. Who was this guy? You remember this guy? He worked with- Chuck Dause,

H Heather Hill 26:31
Oh, Gary Garrett?

J James Tubbs 26:33
Yeah,

S Stephen Manning 26:33
..

No no no

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:33
Oh, my gosh.

H Heather Hill 26:34
Oh no?

S Stephen Manning 26:35
Somebody else who did the - He worked in the office when Chuck stopped teaching. Chuck was doing the the freshman orientation stuff. This guy, I was talking to him once, and he's he had a GTO,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:50
Okay

S Stephen Manning 26:51
He brought, when he was leaving - retiring, he brought me in a picture of one of these. It's in the basement.

H Heather Hill 26:56
Now you've got two pictures.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:57
Yep, that's right,

S Stephen Manning 26:58
Yeah, this new one from your dad is - it's about this big.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:01
It's when cars ruled the world.

S Stephen Manning 27:03
Where do you put this?

J James Tubbs 27:04
I think my favorite Pontiac was the '69 Grand Prix. That was a beautiful car. Really long hood.

E Erin Bell 27:13
I like muscle cars.

D Danielle Maxwell 27:15
I like cars that get me from point A to point B. (The professors laugh)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:18
Speaking of point A to point B, I'm so sorry. We've reached point C, if you will, and the time has come for us to say goodbye, Dave.

D Dave Chow 27:26
See ya.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:26
Erin

E Erin Bell 27:27
Bye


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:27
Jim,


J James Tubbs 27:28
~ ..


Goodbye,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:28
Danielle


 Danielle Maxwell 27:29
Adios


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:30
Stephen


 Stephen Manning 27:31
Good bye

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:31
and Heather

 Heather Hill 27:32
Bye, bye.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:32
And now these words,

 Michael Jayson 27:33
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 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:43
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