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Dave Chow, Dan Maggio, Molly Barlow, Danielle Maxwell, Stephen Manning, Michael Jayson, James Tubbs, Heather Hill, Matt Mio, Ph.D.

M 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. To my right, she gets a lot of email. It's Professor Heather Hill.

H Heather Hill 00:19
Don't we all get a lot of email?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:20
I mean, we do, but I would guess, on average, ethat you get more -

H Heather Hill 00:26
yeah

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:26
than the average prof.

H Heather Hill 00:28

Yeah, this is true, and it's not from students necessarily.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:32

Right, It's from all the adoring members of the collective bargaining unit to our adoring president.

H Heather Hill 00:39

Yeah, that's what they are.

D Dave Chow 00:41

Adorable.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:42

How have you been lately, Heather?

H Heather Hill 00:43

um, I - I'm okay. Thank you.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:49

Good

J James Tubbs 00:50

That took a while.

H Heather Hill 00:51

I don't know

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:52

It's okay. It's okay to not be okay. That's what I say.

H Heather Hill 00:56
As you all know, and people can't see this because we're not visual -

D Dave Chow 01:02
(Points out to Heather that there are three video cameras in the studio.) Um - Well - I broke a blood vessel in my eye, and it's quite grotesque.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:08
It's tough. It's tough.

H Heather Hill 01:09
Yes.

D Dave Chow 01:10
You should see the guy that she beat up.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:11
I know I was about to say - you should see the other one. Yeah, exactly, yeah.

H Heather Hill 01:16
I'm okay, yeah.

S Stephen Manning 01:17
What bar was this at?

H Heather Hill 01:18
Yeah, It happened Tuesday. I don't want to spend too much time on this, because we have a show.

D Dan Maggio 01:22
Were you screaming at a student?



Heather Hill 01:23

No, I went to class. I saw Molly, who's our special guest today, earlier in the day on Tuesday. And we, you know, whatever, we're chatting like we always do. And then I got back from class, I went into the ladies room, and then I come out, and I'm like, "Did I have this this morning?" And she's like, "No", and it's just progressively gotten worse.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:37

Like, cellophane on ketchup.



Heather Hill 01:46

That's the way the ophthalmologist described it today, that it's like ketchup under a layer of cellophane. It's spreading out.



Dave Chow 01:54

We've just got to come up with a better story for you. Like, you fought off 20 Roman hoards, or something.



Heather Hill 01:59

I like that.



Dave Chow 01:59

You know, you rescued kids on a train track or something.



Heather Hill 02:02

I like the Roman hoards



Dave Chow 02:03

Yes.



Heather Hill 02:05

So anyway, we can move on.

- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:07
Moving on, a man who described himself at one point as possibly having lobster coming out of his ears. It's Professor Stephen Manning. That was the way the student looked at you when you told them something fairly obvious.
- S** Stephen Manning 02:19
Yeah, with a combination of surprise and disdain in equal measures.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:25
I think that lobsters kind of fit the bill as an animal that would do that, you know what I mean? And as a New Englander - of course,
- H** Heather Hill 02:33
You've got lobster on your mind.
- D** Dave Chow 02:34
with or without butter?
- H** Heather Hill 02:35
You've got lobster on the brain,
- J** James Tubbs 02:38
No more. It came out of his ears
- H** Heather Hill 02:39
Exactly. Thank you for picking up on that Professor Tubbs
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:43
Oh, my gosh. Did the Red Sox win yesterday?

- S** Stephen Manning 02:45
I don't know, but if, if you were to ask me how I was, I would have said I'm great, because the baseball season has commenced, and I can't wait until I see the first several Yankees losses.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:01
It's going to be great, which are almost as important as Red Sox' and Tigers' wins.
- H** Heather Hill 03:05
Two words. Alex Bregman,
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:08
Don't forget, the Yankees will be at Comerica Park next week, so feel free to get some tickets.
- S** Stephen Manning 03:14
A couple years ago, I went to opening day, which was standing room only.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:20
Of course.
- S** Stephen Manning 03:20
And I went not because the weather was inviting. It wasn't. It started at about 39 degrees and got colder as the day went on, but they were playing the Red Sox and I forget who the Red Sox' pitcher was. This was some years ago, but it was the star. And the Tigers were really beating up on them. And the manager wouldn't take him out. And it was sort of like "Well, he's a superstar. .I can't really - ". He wasn't doing a good managerial job
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:20
Oh, nice.
- H** Heather Hill 03:20
It wasn't Pedro Martinez, was it?

S Stephen Manning 03:54
It was like 13 to 2.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:58
Oh, I think I remember that year.

D Dave Chow 04:00
The shellacking.

H Heather Hill 04:01
The shellacking

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:02
Jim Price used to say, "Every once in a while, you get a laugh". The guy just doesn't have it. I mean, he could have been second in Cy Young voting last year. Right.

S Stephen Manning 04:07
Today, he does not have it. Send him to the showers.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:15
Yeah, Skubal didn't look too sharp last night, but good enough, you know? So, this is the way it goes.

D Danielle Maxwell 04:20
But it wasn't good enough, because they didn't win.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:22
Well, that was a batting problem, not a pitching problem. 0 for 15 with runners in scoring position. Not good. Against the World Series champs at their house. We can win that game.

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S Stephen Manning 04:31
I hate that L, O, B, stat.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:34
Yes, left on base. Yes. It's hard to hear Dan Dickerson on the radio say "Tigers threaten but do not score", which is what he does every time. Professor Dave Chow is here with us.

D Dave Chow 04:46
Pleasure to be here as always.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:47
We stopped talking about hockey a few weeks ago. I think you understand.

D Dave Chow 04:50
Oh no, no, no. I stopped following the Red Wings. I still - My Medicine Hat Tigers are leading the league right about now in second round of playoffs.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:58
Okay, very nice. Very nice.


D Dave Chow 05:00
And the 16 year old kid that can't get drafted yet, I think was it the last game they had a jersey auction so you can get a game worn jersey. Everyone else's was going for about \$200 a jersey. His was going for 4500.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:15
Oh, my gosh!

D Dave Chow 05:15
He is projected to be the first or second round draft pick next season.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:19


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:19
Wow, 17. Huh?


 Dave Chow 05:21
16, right now. He's 16 years old.


 Danielle Maxwell 05:23
Oh, my goodness.


 Dave Chow 05:24
And he's leading the league in goals.

 Dan Maggio 05:26
Isn't that child labor?

 Dave Chow 05:28
If you want to call it that, I'd like to call it junior achievement.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:31
Remind us the league. Is it IHL?


 Dave Chow 05:33
Western Hockey League.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:33
Oh, Western Hockey League. So


 Stephen Manning 05:35
So he's going right from this to the to the NHL?





 Dave Chow 05:37
He'll get drafted next year.


 Stephen Manning 05:38
He won't play college?


 Dave Chow 05:39
No. Most of them don't.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:40
Wow. Tell the Wings to throw the rest of the season. Let's see what we can get done, .


 Dave Chow 05:44
I don't have to tell them.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:45
You don't have to tell them.


 Dave Chow 05:46
They'll do just fine on their own.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:48
The shine is off the apple in that category.


 Dave Chow 05:52
The core is off the apple.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:54
Professor Jim Tubbs is here with us today.


 James Tubbs 05:57
Hello, hello.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:57
Hello. How are you, Jim?


 James Tubbs 05:58
Good, good.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:59
It's been a while. I mean, it's been a while since we've even been down here. I know that you got back from your trip. Any other musings about the trip that you took?

 James Tubbs 06:07
No. Diane Manica said to say hello.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:09
It was warm. I mean, it was over 90 several days. Oh Yeah, good to see her. That's so awesome. In all of your pictures, you really looked like you had a great time. Oh, my gosh.

 James Tubbs 06:15
But the day that we left Phoenix, it was, I think it was in the 40s, maybe high 40s, which was a little unusual for what it had been. But it was also raining, which was a good thing, because they had not had rain in 118 days, when we were there.

 Dave Chow 06:19
So you're in the right - you know, just like this.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:39
Wow!



J James Tubbs 06:39
Now, we didn't mind that it wasn't raining, but -

S Stephen Manning 06:41
So you got the usual 1/32 of an inch.

J James Tubbs 06:45
Well, Diane told me that it rained some more after we left.

D Dave Chow 06:48
It was a dry rain. It's very dry rain.

J James Tubbs 06:51
I told her I would start constructing an ark.


S Stephen Manning 06:54
When we were there, it was chillier and windier than it's ever been before. There was some nice days.


J James Tubbs 07:01
We had that two years ago. Yeah, it was, it was chilly.


S Stephen Manning 07:04
We're going back in June.


J James Tubbs 07:06
Oh, in June it will not be chilly


S Stephen Manning 07:08
My brother said, when I sent him the flight stuff, my brother said, "Bring AC clothes". The AC is always on.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:16
Wow


 James Tubbs 07:16
Yep


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:19
Continuing around the table, we're joined by a special guest. Guest Star, how about we put it like that? Guest star.


 Heather Hill 07:24
I like that.

 Dave Chow 07:25
No pressure. No pressure.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:26
From the Department of English, Professor Molly Barlow. Thanks for joining us.

 Molly Barlow 07:29
Thank you for having me.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:30
Excellent. You know, a lot of people come to the show, Molly, thinking that there's going to be like some sort of tick marks or score or something. We really just sort of get together and screw around so -

 Dave Chow 07:40
trial by ordeal.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:41
Don't even worry about anything

M Molly Barlow 07:44
I'm worried about getting paddled if I say something wrong, (the professors laugh)

D Dave Chow 07:47
only if you're lucky

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:48
I think that you're gonna be just fine. To continue around the table, Professor Dan Maggio is here. He had to work through his birthday.

D Dan Maggio 07:56
I worked on my birthday. I even had a late call, and I had to cook my own dinner. But I had much celebration before my birthday.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:03
Okay,

H Heather Hill 08:03
Oh, good.

D Dan Maggio 08:04
Everything's good.

D Dave Chow 08:05
It's tough being 25 again.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:05
— . . .

That's good,

D Dan Maggio 08:07
And we have leftover bumpy cake.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:08
Yep

D Dave Chow 08:09
Not around Danielle,

J James Tubbs 08:10
What did you cook for your own dinner?

D Dan Maggio 08:12
I had gnocchis.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:13
Hey, all right. What kind of sauce? Pesto?

D Dan Maggio 08:16
No, it was Michael's Of Brooklyn.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:18
Oh, okay, it's a perfect day for gnocchi. That's what I say. Last, but most certainly not least, Professor Danielle Maxwell is here. I'm so sorry you're feeling a little bit under the weather and wondering whether it's because we shared a flight or that we work in close proximity that I can feel the virus growing inside me.

H Heather Hill 08:35
Gross!

D Danielle Maxwell 08:35
Yeah. You don't sound your best right now.

D Dave Chow 08:38
Blame the panda

D Danielle Maxwell 08:39
Exactly. You've seen a glimpse into your future.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:42
I definitely think, as I'm sure you'd be happy to report to this panel - We were flying back. And it took several approaches to get the plane back onto the planet. And there was much, sort of a breakdown of my immune system, because, you know, other muscles were needed for other non nauseous things. It was very, very difficult to get back on the ground.

D Danielle Maxwell 09:04
It was very difficult. And there was a student sitting two seats over from me, and I was so nauseous, I came this close to losing my lunch. And I was like, "This student is gonna have such a good story to tell."

J James Tubbs 09:15
Where were you flying from?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:16
San Diego. and there was a crosswind. We actually, as far as I'm concerned, made it to the ground with landing gear down, and then got pulled right back up again, and had to do a circle.

J James Tubbs 09:18
Oham

S Stephen Manning 09:18
Is this landing in Detroit?

is this landing in Detroit?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:19

Yeah, this is landing here. So they said, "'Oh, there's a crosswind. We'll try it again" And I'm like, That means 20 plus minutes . We were gonna get in early.

H

Heather Hill 09:35

Wow.

D

Dave Chow 09:36

Be thankful they still have enough fuel.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:38

Yep. However, nobody clapped when we finally made it to the end. It was more of an air of tension and annoyance.

J

James Tubbs 09:46

"Let me out! Let me out!"

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:47

Listeners, this is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything. Please hold off on the airline disasters question set. If you stump the panel, you win a prize. If you don't stump the panel, you win a prize. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. Email us at ATP@UDMercy.edu, find us on Facebook and Instagram, or listen on your favorite smart speaker by asking it to play Ask the professor at University of Detroit Mercy. "Dear professors, I told my family I would send these 30 questions before I went to bed tonight. We put in the yeoman's effort this previous week in coming up with these. I didn't want to see them squandered. So I hope you'll find them in your hearts to use them for an upcoming show. We hope they prove challenging, thought provoking and fun. Please enjoy. Warmest greetings, as always, from Valencia, California". It's our friend Frank Burroughs, Frank and the family Burroughs,

S

Stephen Manning 10:34

Oh, one thing we will do is squander them

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:36
Sly and the Family Stone.

S Stephen Manning 10:37
That's what we do.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:38
Okay, sort of all over the map, but that's the way we like it. What color are the \$1 bills in a game of Monopoly?

D Dave Chow 10:46
White

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:48
They are white. What comedian was David Letterman's first guest on his show? That's a nice piece of trivia.

S Stephen Manning 10:54
Rick Little.

D Dave Chow 10:56
Rich Little.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:56
It wasn't Rich Little.

S Stephen Manning 10:57
Did I say Rick?

D Dave Chow 10:58
Yeah.

S Stephen Manning 10:58
It was a still living, very well known comedic actor and overall comedian. There's all sorts of clues I could give that would give it completely away. Initials?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:59
initials for his stage name, BM, and he is an alum of Saturday Night Live.

D Dan Maggio 11:16
Bill Murray.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:17
Bill Murray was David Letterman's first guest. I recently found out that the Muppets had a starring role on almost every episode of the first season of Saturday Night Live. I think that's the greatest piece of trivia ever.

D Dave Chow 11:22
What?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:23
You have to go check it out. There were Muppet sketches on SNL in the first season. So weird.

D Danielle Maxwell 11:37
Love that.

J James Tubbs 11:37
Come to think of it, yes, there were,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:41
Yes, Jim Henson was deeply distraught at having left the Muppets puppets behind, and the crew in drunken and cocaine fueled state made them do, he said "unspeakable things in my absence" and he was... he was really like wounded about that interaction.

absence , and he was, he was really like wounded about that interaction

D Dan Maggio 12:02

Was he a writer on the -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:04

Jim Henson was not, but the rumor was, and this is where it came about, Mike O'Donoghue, so it was like the first head writer. He was a broken soul. I mean, very, very funny guy, but he was a weirdo, and he was given the chance to write for the Muppets. And said, "I don't write for felt". That was his quote. "I only write for flesh" or something like that. This new

S Stephen Manning 12:27

This new book out, not by but on Lauren Michaels. A biography, I think.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:33

Yeah, 50 years of SNL

J James Tubbs 12:34

His longevity is amazing.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:36

Yeah, absolutely incredible. List the following New York icons from north to south: Coney Island, Ellis Island, Statue of Liberty. So from north side to south side,

J James Tubbs 12:48


Coney Island, Ellis Island and Statue of Liberty. Ellis Island would be the furthest north.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:54


That is correct.


J James Tubbs 12:54


and then the Statue Of Liberty and then Coney Island

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:57
That's correct.


 Heather Hill 12:58
Thank you. Jim


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:58
Absolutely. With connections, of course, to Detroit. Coney is an old Dutch word. Actually, it's the Dutch word that got translated to Coney for a rabbit, because there were a lot of rabbits on the island, and we started serving hot dogs with mustard, onions and chili -


 Heather Hill 12:59
and rabbit

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:14
they looked like rabbits. So I don't know that's why we call them Coney's


 Danielle Maxwell 13:18
Sure.

 Dave Chow 13:19
I'll buy that


 Stephen Manning 13:19
They did?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:20
Yeah, that's right.




 Stephen Manning 13:21
They look like rabbit s?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:23
Within \$100,000 what was the highest price ever paid for a single caught tuna?


 Stephen Manning 13:31
Oh, this is huge.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:32
The year was 2019, it was a 612 pound Bluefin,


 Dan Maggio 13:38
2.4 million.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:39
It's higher,


 Molly Barlow 13:41
All right,


 James Tubbs 13:42
4.1 million.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:43
4.1 is a little high.

 Danielle Maxwell 13:45
3.3 million


 Stephen Manning 13:46
3.4


 Molly Barlow 13:46
3.5.

 Heather Hill 13:48
What?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:49
3.1 okay, We got there. We did the Kendra thing


 James Tubbs 13:51
I'm just glad I didn't have to order it in a restaurant


 Heather Hill 13:52
I don't understand.


 Stephen Manning 13:56
Sushi grade? How heavy was it?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:00
It says 612, pounds in 2019. Dan could do that in his head.


 Dan Maggio 14:03
I'm too tired.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:04
I'm too tired. He doesn't want to, okay. It's a lot.


 Dave Chow 14:07
Okay


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:07
that's what I've got.


 Heather Hill 14:08
It was 3.1 ,and how many pounds?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:11
612 pounds. So let's do it by millions of dollars, right? Heather's doing the calculation right now


 Danielle Maxwell 14:17
About \$5,065

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:18
There you go. Dan was right.

 James Tubbs 14:19
Per pound. Wow,

 Heather Hill 14:21
See, you could do it, Dan.

 Dan Maggio 14:23
Even tired

 Heather Hill 14:24
Even tired

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:24
I'm never going to complain about like, \$10 a pound for steak ever again.

D Dan Maggio 14:28
Why did they purchase it for that much money? They weren't going to get a return on - They weren't going to sell that tuna for -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:33
The aficionados of Bluefin - they'll go all over the world. They're like the McRib followers.

D Dan Maggio 14:38
Oh, and they had it stuffed and then mounted.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:40
Yeah, maybe. That's true.

S Stephen Manning 14:41
Westborn has them on sale next week. They do. They're only two-thousand dollars a pound.


J James Tubbs 14:47
No, it was for the meat. It was sold for the meat,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:51
I would guess.


S Stephen Manning 14:52
Oh, sure.


D Dave Chow 14:56
He also likes them sure, it's for name recognition too. "Look what I did!" as opposed to really


it's also like, I'm sure it's for name recognition too. Look what I did , as opposed to really making a profit.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:00
Also true


 Danielle Maxwell 15:01
Yeah,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:02
In Batman lore, professors, what were Bruce Wayne's parents' names/


 Dave Chow 15:06
Dr Thomas Wayne and Martha Wayne.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:08
and Martha Wayne, that is correct. Absolutely.

 James Tubbs 15:11
(Laughing) How do you know that?

 Dave Chow 15:12
I'm a Batman aficionado.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:13
Yeah

 Dave Chow 15:14
I'm a comic book geek. Remember?



J James Tubbs 15:15
Oh, Batman.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:18
What musician is I would say only sometimes a modern musician, only sometimes known as the Queen of Camp?

H Heather Hill 15:26
Modern musician

J James Tubbs 15:27
Queen of Camp

D Dan Maggio 15:29
Bette Midler?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:30
No. Closer to the modern day

D Danielle Maxwell 15:33
Madonna?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:34
Not Madonna, closer to the modern day. , not Lady Gaga. It's even more recent than that Dua Lipa No, I would say that this person started as sort of like a pop star, but the more that they have appeared as a judge at American Idol, the more we figure out-

H Heather Hill 15:49
Katy Perry Katy Perry's a fruit loop?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:50
She is a fruit loop. That's all I've got to say. Katy Perry, yes. She just came and does really weird

She is a fruit loop. That's all I've got to say. Katy Perry, yes. She just says and does really weird things on that show

H

Heather Hill 16:00

She also advertises for Wayfair, doesn't she?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:03

She does? Oh, yeah. Good call. Welcome to the Wayfair hood.

S

Stephen Manning 16:07

No. That's the other one.

H

Heather Hill 16:08

That's the other one? Who knows? Okay, let's move on.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:11

Twins Mike and Joe Mayer and Keith Thibodeaux played this character on a famous TV show. Who was the character?

D

Dave Chow 16:20

Ricky Ricardo Junior.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:21

That's right, Ricky Ricardo Jr.

D

Dave Chow 16:23

Little Ricky

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:24

The son of Ricky and Lucy Ricardo. That is correct. I love how you know that just right off the top of your head,

D Dave Chow 16:30
I'm an I Love Lucy aficionado.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:31
That's awesome. You're also an aficionado of Lucille Ball. What are the two oldest MLB franchises that have never won a single World Series?

D Danielle Maxwell 16:43
The Rays?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:45
So, the Rays are pretty young. You're correct, but you need to go further back, because I'm looking for the old franchises

H Heather Hill 16:53
It's not the Cubs.

D Dave Chow 16:53
I was gonna go with Houston, but that was just recent.

S Stephen Manning 16:56
Milwaukee, the Brewers?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:58
The Brewers are actually one of the oldest MLB franchises. 1969 was the foundation, and I can get us there very easy by saying to Danielle that just a few days ago, I walked by the red clay being delivered - at Petco Park.

D Danielle Maxwell 17:11
Oh, Padres. This was very on the spot. Wow.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:17
Weirdly, also 1969 foundation for that team. So they both were formed in the same year.

H Heather Hill 17:22
I always felt sorry for them. I mean, I think the name is cool for obvious reasons, but it's like, brown - brown and yellow.

S Stephen Manning 17:30
And they've got Manny Machado -

D Dave Chow 17:35
Yeah


S Stephen Manning 17:35
who ended Dustin Pedroia's career?


H Heather Hill 17:37
Yes, that's right.

S Stephen Manning 17:38
Remember, we went to Fenway last summer. He came up and he was booed. And I had forgotten that. And the guy sitting next to me, they were rabid fans. And I said, "Remind me again, why they're - What's going on?" He reminded me that he slid in the second base, spikes high, and took out Pedroia. That's why they hate him.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:59
It's just a really cool park because it's a classic. And Petco Park is right in the middle of downtown.


J James Tubbs 18:00
Oh yeah, it's a great location.


 Heather Hill 18:09
Yeah.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:09
And if you stay at the Omni, you could go to like, the 13th floor and kind of like, watch the game.


 Heather Hill 18:15
That's cool.

 Dave Chow 18:15
Hey, you guys had a legit hotel. I don't want to hear about it.

 Danielle Maxwell 18:17
We had a very legitimate hotel.

 Dave Chow 18:19
I told you about the hotel they stuck me with last time I did Comic Con, right? You know, my window was adjacent to the adult bookstore and the blinking red neon sign all night long,

 Danielle Maxwell 18:22
No.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:32
Professors, what are the tasks required to finish North Carolina State University's Krispy Kreme challenge?

 James Tubbs 18:41
You have to eat 50 donuts in a minute, or something?



- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:44
FYI, proceeds from the event go to the North Carolina Children's Hospital. They've actually raised over \$2.1 million as of 2023, but what do you have to do to get the pledge?
- D** Dan Maggio 18:54
Does it have to do with eating, like Jim said?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:56
It's something pretty disturbing.
- S** Stephen Manning 18:59
Disturbing.
- D** Danielle Maxwell 19:01
Eating a large number
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:03
Eating a large number of donuts is good enough for partial credit. There's something else you have to do.
- M** Molly Barlow 19:08
and the cream
- D** Dave Chow 19:10
You have to make the donuts
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:11
No
- S** Stephen Manning 19:12
within a certain period of time?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:15
So you go to the Memorial Belltower , and you make the run to the closest Krispy Kreme, 2.5 miles away, ingest a full dozen and run all the way back to the Belltower. If you make it and you're still alive, you get some sort of prize.

M Molly Barlow 19:31
health care for life, maybe?

D Dave Chow 19:37
So what would be the UDM equivalent? What - we leave the Clock Tower and run to the nearest -

M Molly Barlow 19:42
To the nearest Coney Island

J James Tubbs 19:44
Those donuts would probably leave you part way back (Laughs) whether you want them to or not,

H Heather Hill 19:52
Yeah, but once you're done with the run -

D Dave Chow 19:55
You're done.

H Heather Hill 19:55
You don't have to chug your beer and eat your Paczki and then run again.

D Dave Chow 19:56
You would pass out. Yeah.

M Molly Barlow 20:00
I'm dying a little on the inside.

S Stephen Manning 20:02
And this is all by 9:30 in the morning.

H Heather Hill 20:06
It's fine. I mean, you've done your 5k, you get a Paczki, you hang out -

D Dave Chow 20:14
and you burst a blood vessel in your eye, and you call it a day.

S Stephen Manning 20:18
You can't tell what flavor the Paczki is. The first one I had was prune,

J James Tubbs 20:22
Yes. That's very popular. You have to be careful where you go after that


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:29
Let's palate cleanse. Who was the first real astronaut to appear an official canon episode of the TV Series, Star Trek, of its many different flavors.


H Heather Hill 20:43
Oh, wow, that's a great question.


M Molly Barlow 20:44
Let's go with Buzz Aldrin, and call it even


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:47
You know, I think we need to go a little more recent.


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 Dave Chow 20:50
No, what was her name? Short haired -


 Stephen Manning 20:53
Sally Ride?

 Dave Chow 20:53
No. Black woman.


 Dan Maggio 20:55
Yes, I know

 Dave Chow 20:56
Dan, help me out.

 Dan Maggio 20:58
Was she on Discover?

 Dave Chow 20:59
No

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:00
She may have been on Discovery, now that I think about it

 Dave Chow 21:03
No, she was on TNT

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:07

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Okay. Oh, wow

D

Dan Maggio 21:09

Oh, no, that I have nothing -

D

Dave Chow 21:10

Mae Jamison.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:11

Dr, Mae Jamison is her name.

D

Dan Maggio 21:13

Yes, you're right,

D

Dave Chow 21:14

Yes. I remember that

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:15

The first woman of color to go into space under the red, white and blue.

S

Stephen Manning 21:20

Did they get her back when - around the time when she was supposed to return?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:23

Absolutely, she did not have stay extra months.


D


Dave Chow 21:27


We kept the receipt. So


M


Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:29


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:29
What Canadian city has the highest population density at 5,700 people per square kilometer?


 Heather Hill 21:36
Toronto?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:37
It is not

 Dave Chow 21:37
Vancouver.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:38
It's Vancouver. 100%

 Dave Chow 21:40
It is jam packed in there.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:42
Yep

 Dave Chow 21:42
I had to shoehorn my cousins in there all the time.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:44
It's like the Tokyo of Canada, from what I hear. You know


 James Tubbs 21:47
It's still beautiful.




 Dave Chow 21:48
It is


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:48
Yeah. Oh, absolutely. There are a lot of movies made there.


 Dave Chow 21:50
I'm supposed to go there in a few weeks, but I wont.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:54
I'm gonna ask all the Gen Xers at the table to open up their - what are those CD carriers that we used to have? No. What was the first motion picture that sold 1 million VHS copies? It's a classic piece of 80s trash, that's all I'm gonna tell you.


 Dave Chow 22:10
Is it a John Hughes movie?

 Danielle Maxwell 22:11
Napoleon Dynamite

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:13
No, no, no. You're gonna have to go further back, Professor Maxwell,

 Heather Hill 22:17
Back to the Future.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:18
It wasn't Back To The Future.

 Heather Hill 22:19
I know.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:20
But that's good. You're in the right sort of, like, year zone. It was a, it was a romantic drama. I'm not going to call it a romantic comedy. And if I tell you who it starred, you'll know it right away. No, it wasn't Mannequin

H Heather Hill 22:31
Mannequin? (Laughs)

D Dave Chow 22:33
Splash.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:34
It wasn't Splash.


D Dan Maggio 22:35
Is it Tom Hanks?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:36
It is not Tom Hanks, it is a - Uh-oh, the name just disappeared out of my brain. Oh, it was a Patrick Swayze vehicle.


M Molly Barlow 22:43
Dirty Dancing.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:44
Dirty Dancing,


D Dave Chow 22:45
or Ghost? I was gonna go Ghost.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:47
Oh, Ghost would have been an acceptable answer. It's a piece of trash.


 Heather Hill 22:50
Dirty Dancing is not a piece of trash.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:53
I'm sorry,


 Molly Barlow 22:54
No, I actually agree with him.


 Heather Hill 22:55
No. It was formative movie, because you know where Baby says she's going to college?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:55
What did she say?


 Heather Hill 23:03
Mount Holyoke


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:04
No,


 Heather Hill 23:04
I was at Mount Holyoke when the movie came out.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:06
Oh, my gosh!

 Heather Hill 23:07
so we all went and saw it..


 Dave Chow 23:09
It's personal now.


 James Tubbs 23:10
Nobody puts Baby in a corner


 Molly Barlow 23:12
When Dirty Dancing came on. HBO, my brother taped it. He insisted on watching it once a day, every day, for like -

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:19
Oh my gosh.

 Molly Barlow 23:20
And by the end of it, I was like, "Look, I don't care if Baby is in the corner or not. Just make her go away". (The professors laugh)

 Heather Hill 23:26
We all had the time of our life.

 Molly Barlow 23:27
Yeah, I'm sure we did. Well,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:28
I mean, that soundtrack was solid, right? In what James Bond movie do you find the villain, Baron Samedi? Gosh, I know the character, but I don't know the name



- H** Heather Hill 23:39
And the song actually, the song actually has the title of the movie in it.
- D** Dave Chow 23:39
Oh, uh, Jeffrey Holder, he was the choreographer. Um, bald gentlemanJane Seymour was Solitaire. What was that movie?
- M** Molly Barlow 23:55
Thunderball. Live And Let Die.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:56
Live And Let Die. Yes.
- J** James Tubbs 23:58
(Sings) "Live and let die"
- H** Heather Hill 24:00
Paul McCartney
- D** Dave Chow 24:01
Yes. Wings.
- M** Molly Barlow 24:03
Brilliant song,
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:04
Yes. Jeffrey holder as the Voodoo witch doctor.
- D** Dave Chow 24:07
He was an amazing choreographer.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:09
Yeah, that's right, yep.

D Dave Chow 24:11
Remember the 7-Up commercials back in the day too?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:13
Mm-hm

D Dave Chow 24:13
Scared the crap out of me.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:15
Yep

D Dave Chow 24:16
The 7-Up commercials, that is

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:17
What was the first year where every car that was put together in the United States of America had to have a catalytic converter?

D Danielle Maxwell 24:25
70's

S Stephen Manning 24:25
89

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:26
It's 70s. actually

J James Tubbs 24:27
77

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:29
It says 75 here. I think you're close enough. People have been making cars for a long time

J James Tubbs 24:33
All of those - Starting in 73, they had all of those complicated emission control things that drove your gas mileage down to about two miles a gallon.

D Dave Chow 24:42
And do you remember when you used to have to have it tested? You know, and get that little slip.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:42
Mm-hm

J James Tubbs 24:47
Yes. Emissions control

S Stephen Manning 24:48
Yeah, that was the start of the EPA too.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:50
That's right.

H Heather Hill 24:51
What's the EPA?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:53
I know so and 2025 is the end of the EPA

S Stephen Manning 24:55
an agency that used to be part of the federal government.

D Dave Chow 24:59
The who? The federal what?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:01
The first thing that changes on Wikipedia is the tense of the linking verb. "The Environmental Protection Agency WAS". (The professors laugh) Great. Great. In British parlance, (don't think too hard), what's a fruit machine?

S Stephen Manning 25:14
In British Parliament?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:16
In British parlance, what is a fruit machine?

S Stephen Manning 25:19
Parlance

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:21
It has nothing to do with fruit.

J James Tubbs 25:22
No, it's gambling.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:24
It's a slot machine.

D Dave Chow 25:27
That would make sense

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:28
For the record, British do not refer to it as a slot machine. They call it a gambling machine - because everything's gonna be more proper.

H Heather Hill 25:33
Joker, Joker and a pair.

D Dave Chow 25:35
Aww, Jack Berry, The Joker's Wild.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:37
That's right. In what city - it's not in the United States of America - is the world's largest Burger King?

S Stephen Manning 25:38
Beijing


M Molly Barlow 25:38
Tokyo.


D Dave Chow 25:38
Wait a minute. Danielles' been to the world's largest - what was it - KFC.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:50
It's in Europe.


 Dave Chow 25:50
Paris.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:51
It's not Paris, although that's a good choice.


 Heather Hill 25:51
Berlin.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:53
Berlin's a good choice.


 Stephen Manning 25:54
London Not London. Frankfurt.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:57
No

 Stephen Manning 25:58
Athens


 Danielle Maxwell 25:58
What continent are we aiming for?

 Dave Chow 26:00
Yes? What continent?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:01
Europe.


 Dave Chow 26:02
As we look at the US map.


 Danielle Maxwell 26:03
Yes


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:04
I always do. It's not Istanbul. That would be more Eurasian. Istanbul


 Danielle Maxwell 26:09
Rome.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:10
It's not Rome

 James Tubbs 26:11
Madrid.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:14
Not Madrid. I mean, if I say it's the Netherlands, you're gonna tell me -

 James Tubbs 26:18
Amsterdam.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:19
It's Amsterdam. Yeah, it's Amsterdam.

 Heather Hill 26:21
Why?

D Dave Chow 26:23
Why not?

M Molly Barlow 26:23
Because it's a great place to go after -

H Heather Hill 26:27
Oh, I think Professor Barlow has a -

J James Tubbs 26:31
after both sex and drugs.

D Dave Chow 26:32
Never.

J James Tubbs 26:32
(Laughs)

M Molly Barlow 26:35
I get the munchies. I understand that.

D Dave Chow 26:37
(Laughs)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:39
So we have just about time for one more question. This is a great one. Anthony Daniels, I think people know, is the voice of C-3PO from Star Wars, but he wasn't George Lucas's first choice to play the character of C-3PO. Could you name either of the two people who actually auditioned? Because Lucas was originally looking for a, quote, "sleazy New York used car dealer persona" for the character.

J James Tubbs 27:06
Danny DeVito

D Dave Chow 27:06
Joe Pesci,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:09
None of those. You're gonna need to think of hot actors of the era and hot actors of the era before.

D Danielle Maxwell 27:16
Robert De Niro?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:17
I mean, I know I could hit Dave in his funny bone by saying you only won't believe it, but the man of 1000 voices

D Dan Maggio 27:23
Is it Mel Blanc?


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:24
Mel Blanc. Yeah. The voice of Looney Tunes.


D Dan Maggio 27:27
How did I know that before you?


D Dave Chow 27:28
I don't know. I'm thinking Rich Little, that's all. I mean - or Frank Gorshin.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:32
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And the the actor of the moment there - which, I mean, I would just say something like JAWS, and you'll tell me it was -?


 Molly Barlow 27:39
Roy Scheider


 Dave Chow 27:40
Robert Shaw? Richard Dreyfus.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:44
Richard Dreyfus, yes, Richard Dreyfus.


 Dave Chow 27:47
We were all over the place.

 James Tubbs 27:47
He was never sleazy enough.

 Stephen Manning 27:48
The other one.

 Dave Chow 27:48
Yes. The other Richard.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:52
That would have made no sense whatsoever. Goodbye

 Dave Chow 27:53
Hey, in The Goodbye Girl, he was kind of sketchy. I thought Joe Pesci would have been -



J James Tubbs 27:54
Yeah, Joe Pesci would have been interesting.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:01
Sure. But actually, I think about someone like Joe Pesci, I'm not sure he was quite on the scene yet in the mid 70s, right?

D Dave Chow 28:08
What - He had to wait for HOME ALONE?.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:10
He had to wait for HOME ALONE.

D Dave Chow 28:11
There you go.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:12
It's so true. Oh, we had fun with these questions, folks, but I'm afraid that that's the time has come to say goodbye. And let me thank Professor Maxwell, Professor Maggio, Professor Barlow, Professor Tubbs, Professor Chow, Professor Manning and Professor Hill. And now these words.

M Michael Jayson 28:29
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M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:39
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