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SPEAKERS

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

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:02

The University tower chimes ring in another session of Ask the Professor, the show on which you match wits with University of Detroit Mercy professors in an unrehearsed session of questions and answers. I'm your host, Matt Mio and let me introduce to you our panel for today. To my right, it's a long blue runner. It compliments your outfit perfectly. It's Professor Heather Hill.
- H

Heather Hill 00:22

Okay,
- M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:23

We're not used to having table cloths
- H


Heather Hill 00:24


I know this is very formal. I love it.
- M


Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:27


Yeah,
- D


Dave Chow 00:28


 Dave Chow 00:28
Pass the gravy.


 Heather Hill 00:28
I think we should have this all the time. Maybe it would help us to behave better.


 Danielle Maxwell 00:36
Not a chance,

 Heather Hill 00:37
Probably not.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:37
Let the minutes reflect - that Heather thinks the table cloths will make us behave better. It's possible.

 James Tubbs 00:44
It depends on what's on the table cloths (Laughs)

 Heather Hill 00:46
Well, yeah.

 Dave Chow 00:47
We don't have donuts.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:48
So what were you up to today, Heather? Beautiful day.

 Heather Hill 00:51
I was working on a conference paper.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 00:53
Oh, I was hoping you were gonna say gardening.

H Heather Hill 00:55
No, I'm gonna try to do some gardening tomorrow. Kendra dropped off some mums that I bought to support -

D Danielle Maxwell 01:02
They were beautiful mums.

H Heather Hill 01:04
Yeah, they are. They're huge.

D Danielle Maxwell 01:05
Yeah, they're giant.

H Heather Hill 01:06
They're giant. So I got to get them in the ground or do something with them.

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

H Heather Hill 01:08
Yeah, but the weather's gorgeous.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:09
Yes.

H Heather Hill 01:09
Love it.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:11
This might be the last gasp, so you'd better enjoy it.

D Dave Chow 01:14
Shhh. Quiet.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:15
Continuing around the table from the Department of being retired, it's Professor Stephen Manning,

S Stephen Manning 01:23
Good afternoon, Matt,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:25
How are you?

S Stephen Manning 01:26
Just fine

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:27
You're doing great now that the Red Sox have clinched.

S Stephen Manning 01:30
We should not go that way.

H Heather Hill 01:32
Yeah, let's not go in that direction.

S Stephen Manning 01:34

A couple of mixed loyalties on not only American League East baseball, but also Ryder Cup golf.

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:42

Oh, okay,

S

Stephen Manning 01:43

Just enjoying this wonderful, perfect, paradise-like Indian Summer, Michigan weather.

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:46

That's right,

S

Stephen Manning 01:47

Absolutely perfect.

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:48

Almost October 1.

S

Stephen Manning 01:49

Almost October 1.

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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 01:54

Unbelievable. It's literally 89 today. I think that they scoped that a little bit too low.

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Stephen Manning 01:59


Plus, the golf courses remain open. What can you complain about?


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Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:04


That's right. In the immortal words of my now deceased grandfather, "How late in the season could we pour concrete?" That's the way he figured everything out. Professor Jim Tubbs is here.


 James Tubbs 02:16
Hello, hello.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:16
What's going on?


 Danielle Maxwell 02:17
Well, not a whole lot. It's a beautiful sky,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:23
Absolutely- just like the blue of your shirt. It is gorgeous out there.


 James Tubbs 02:27
Yeah,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:28
What have you been up to last couple days, Jim?


 James Tubbs 02:30
Oh, putzing around, doing laundry this morning. You know, the usual weekend things.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:35
All right, that makes sense. I was kind of hoping for something a little more exciting


 James Tubbs 02:37
If I had something more exciting to report, believe me, I would report it.


 Stephen Manning 02:43
No visit to Costco this weekend?


 James Tubbs 02:45
Oh, that's yet to come,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:45
but you do have a trip planned. I remember from last time, right? Isn't there a trip like in the few next few months?


 James Tubbs 02:52
Yeah, next month.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 02:53
Okay. Which is?


 James Tubbs 02:55
Well, two of them, one to the mountains of North Carolina, and then at the end of the month, I'm going to Portland, Oregon - for a meeting.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:07
Excellent


 Danielle Maxwell 03:07
Portland's wonderful. Yeah,


 Dave Chow 03:07
You're bringing about Voodoo Donuts, right?

 Danielle Maxwell 03:07
They're overrated.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:08


Any donut. Underrated. Awesome. Bring us whatever you can.


 Heather Hill 03:08
And there are table runners


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:08
And there are table runners


 Danielle Maxwell 03:08
So, so fancy


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:08
Yes, very fancy.

 Dave Chow 03:08
I'll take them. I'll take my chances.

 Heather Hill 03:08
Any donut,

 Erin Bell 03:08
Any donut,

 Dave Chow 03:08
I'll take my chances

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:09
All the way across the table, no microphones to look through this time. Is Professor Danielle Maxwell



D Danielle Maxwell 03:20
No octopus - It's kind of great.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:26
I know it is. I can actually see you. I could see Brian. I could see everybody here,

D Danielle Maxwell 03:30
So luxurious.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:30
I already know what you were up to earlier today, but you got to tell everybody else

D Danielle Maxwell 03:34
Yes, I was channeling my inner Professor Mio and hosting my first Saturday office hours at 8am, and seven students showed up for Saturday office hours.

E Erin Bell 03:42
That's amazing?


D Danielle Maxwell 03:43
It is pretty amazing? I mean, we have two quizzes on Monday, so I'm that really hard professor that's having a quiz at 8am and then another quiz at 9am for my lab and then lecture. So I am that professor on Monday, and they made sure to tell me that. (Laughs)


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 03:45
They came to tell you that at office hours.


D Danielle Maxwell 03:49
Yeah, they're like, "I have lots of questions for you". And I'm like, "Okay, let's go"


H Heather Hill 04:04


Why? The question is, "Why"


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:05
The question is "why"


 Danielle Maxwell 04:06
That's just how the calendar works out. But you know, we have one week of classes then fall break, so,


 Heather Hill 04:11
So suck it up, students.


 Danielle Maxwell 04:14
Suck it up. I must have graded -

 James Tubbs 04:17
Next weekend will be fall break.

 Danielle Maxwell 04:19
I know, yes,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:20
Incredible.

 James Tubbs 04:21
Where did the first half of the semester go?

 Heather Hill 04:23
I know.



M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:25
it's been summer for so long.

J James Tubbs 04:26
Right down the tube.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:27
Yeah, exactly.

D Dave Chow 04:28
We're just getting ready for Live Aid, right?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:30
That's right. Oh yeah, right. Nice, nice reference. Continuing around the table. Professor Brian Curtis is back with us. It's been a year.

B Brian Curtis 04:37
A year - a year in the making

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:37
It's good to have you back.

B Brian Curtis 04:37
So I thought you were going to talk about Halloween decorations.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:38
So was I. But, you know, she took it to the professional level.

D Danielle Maxwell 04:39
I was gonna let you talk about the other half of our day

B Brian Curtis 04:45
We did do Halloween decorations this morning, and I will be watering the mums this evening.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:50
Okay.

D Dave Chow 04:50
Just don't get the two mixed up.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 04:52
You have a giant skeleton dog and a whole bunch of little ghosts

D Danielle Maxwell 04:58
A cat. Excuse you, not a dog


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:00
Oh my gosh. I can't believe I messed that up.


B Brian Curtis 05:03
And a nine foot tree,


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:05
Yep, yep, oh yeah, I gotta see that up close.


B Brian Curtis 05:08
That was the story of the morning, was to try -


J James Tubbs 05:08
A Halloween tree?

 Brian Curtis 05:10
Yeah

 Danielle Maxwell 05:12
it's nine feet tall. We've brought it up and down a few times today, but it's now in the upward position,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:18
(Laughs) Awesome. Awesome.


 Heather Hill 05:20
What is a Halloween tree?

 Danielle Maxwell 05:22
It has glowing eyes and a mouth, and it's nine feet tall. So it's absolutely giant. It has giant arms, and it has,

 Heather Hill 05:30
Wait a minute, how tall is it again?

 Danielle Maxwell 05:30
Nine feet tall.

 Heather Hill 05:30
(Laughs) I can tell you like to say that.

 Danielle Maxwell 05:31
Well, they had a six foot one. That's just not good enough.

 Brian Curtis 05:31

B Brian Curtis 05:31
That's not tall enough. No,

D Dave Chow 05:32
Stack them up, you get 15 feet.

H Heather Hill 05:37
So it has eyes and a mouth.

D Danielle Maxwell 05:40
it glows, and then it has arms. It has, like, flowing fabric that goes like "woo-oo" in the wind.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 05:45
I know that Professor Dave Chow, Professor of Berkley-ology, saw what I was doing earlier today, at least a little bit.

D Dave Chow 05:53
Yeah, we were noticing the arch that you put up in front of your house.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:02
That's right. We've got the pumpkin arch up again. So -

D Dave Chow 06:02
Congratulations, it looks good

D Danielle Maxwell 06:03
If you need another one, it's currently on sale.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:03
That's what I heard. That's what I heard. You said you were at a seven year old's birthday party today?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:06
That's awesome.

D Danielle Maxwell 06:06
What was the theme? Was it a Bluey theme?

D Dave Chow 06:06
Yes, (Matt laughs) begrudgingly. I couldn't sneak out fast enough.

D Dave Chow 06:07
Viking themed.

D Danielle Maxwell 06:07
Viking themed.

D Dave Chow 06:07
I was gonna set the child on fire and put him into a lake. (The professors laugh)

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:11
Wait, was it really Viking themed?

D Dave Chow 06:17
It was Viking themed

H Heather Hill 06:24
That's cool.

J James Tubbs 06:25
Was there any pillaging?

D Dave Chow 06:28
Not enough. (The professors laugh) No, it was that dragon slayer thing movie. You know what I'm talking about. Help me out Erin

D Dave Chow 06:35
It's a seven year old. What do you expect?

E Erin Bell 06:35
No, we're too cool for that.

H Heather Hill 06:38
How to Train Your Dragon?

D Dave Chow 06:40
That's the one So anyway, lots of shields, lots of fake swords and -

J James Tubbs 06:45
Horned helmets?

D Dave Chow 06:46
Fearing for my life.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:47
Some people went historical. Some people went NFL. It was pretty interesting, continuing and finalizing, going around the table, Professor Erin Bell is here, we're so happy to have you here.

E Erin Bell 06:58
Thank you.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 06:59
I love your "Book it" earrings.

E Erin Bell 06:59
Oh, thank you very much. Representing, I figured, the library, The Writing Center,

D Dave Chow 07:04
and Noelle Night

E Erin Bell 07:05
and Noel Night, yes, but I miss you all. Thanks for having me.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:07
Of course. You're welcome anytime. What was the theme of your seven year old birthday party?


E Erin Bell 07:14
Um, well, it was the 80s, so I'm sure there was laser tag. And -


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:19
Of course,

E Erin Bell 07:19
leg warmers. I'm just kidding, actually,


D Dave Chow 07:21
Leg warmers


J James Tubbs 07:22
Mullets


 Erin Bell 07:23
mullets, yes.


 Dave Chow 07:24
Parachute pants,


 Erin Bell 07:25
Yes. And jelly shoes and jelly bracelets.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:28
Of course,


 Erin Bell 07:30
it was amazing.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:32
That covers everything.

 Stephen Manning 07:35
We missed out on the whole themed birthday parties as kids. That's a relatively new invention.

 Erin Bell 07:35
Yeah, I think so

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:37
Oh my gosh.

 Dave Chow 07:38
I think when we're kids, we're just thankful, "Hey, I'm still alive".

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:40
That's true.

E Erin Bell 07:42
You got cake. That's awesome,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 07:44
Folks, this is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you'll receive a brand new edition of the Ask the Professor coffee mug and an autographed photograph of the professors. If you don't stump the panel, we'll still send you the autograph photograph. You can send us the questions in a number of ways. You can 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. "Greetings, professors. I am a Detroit Mercy grad with an MS in Computer Information Systems - class of 95", so that would have been a contemporary of mine back in the day. "Here are a few questions about the American Civil War". We actually have a rubric, six of 10 to pass. So that's kind of a big deal. Thanks for sending these questions. Dana Lupher sent us these questions.

E Erin Bell 08:36
That's a generous rubric,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:37
Absolutely

E Erin Bell 08:38
I think that's pretty nice

D Dave Chow 08:41
We'll take it.

S Stephen Manning 08:41
very generous. I mean - barely passing

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:41
60%

H Heather Hill 08:41
It's in the wheelhouse.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:42
It's definitely in the wheelhouse.

S Stephen Manning 08:44
Is there any extra credit offered?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:46
Let me see. Ooh, the back sheet is blank.

D Dave Chow 08:50
Oh, no,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:51
Professors, what was unique about the Battle of Stones River?

H Heather Hill 08:57
It was not near a river.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 08:58
I mean, it's reasonable to say not near stones or not near a river. But that's not what it is. That would have been unique.

D Dave Chow 09:04
First battle?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:06
No.

D Dave Chow 09:06
Last battle

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:07
It wasn't first or last.

D Danielle Maxwell 09:08
Nobody won.

H Heather Hill 09:09
It was a tie.

S Stephen Manning 09:10
There were no deaths

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:11
No. Let's say it was very, very short,

D Dave Chow 09:18
Rock, paper, scissors?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:19
Mm-mm.

B Brian Curtis 09:20

Everyone died (Laughs). No, you know, the Battle of Stones River was interesting because it lasted three days, but it was only fought on the first and third because so many people were killed on the first day. They did clean up day, and then they continued fighting, and then it was over on the third day. So that's pretty interesting. It's kind of odd,

D Danielle Maxwell 09:20
So, kind of everyone died.

B Brian Curtis 09:20
Everyone died.

E Erin Bell 09:21
I know,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:25
Yep,


J James Tubbs 09:44
It sort of shows you the internal logic of that war.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:48
Absolutely, absolutely. What unique thing happened the night before the Battle of Franklin?
First of all, I want to say that's Tennessee, but I could be wrong. I might -


S Stephen Manning 09:58
There is a Franklin in Tennessee.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 09:59
Okay, all right, so


J James Tubbs 10:01
There is in North Carolina too.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:02
Okay,


 Dave Chow 10:03
It's not Franklin, Michigan.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:05
It was not Franklin, Michigan? What unique thing happened the night before the Battle of Franklin?

 James Tubbs 10:12
That wasn't when Stonewall Jackson got shot, was it?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:14
No, that's not, it's not a-

 Erin Bell 10:16
I dont like that guess.

 Danielle Maxwell 10:17
Was it a weather event? Like it snowed?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:19
Not weather.

 Heather Hill 10:20
That's a good guess, though,

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:21

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:21
The two armies the night before, mind you, did something unique,

D Dave Chow 10:27
a cribbage tournament.

S Stephen Manning 10:28
They shared a meal together.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:30
I mean, Stephen's getting close.

D Danielle Maxwell 10:31
They celebrated a holiday.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:34
They walked right by each other to prepare for the battle the next morning.

E Erin Bell 10:38
Oh, that's awkward.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:39
So, yeah, that's awkward. Really, really awkward,

S Stephen Manning 10:43
high fiving each other as they went by?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:45
"See you tomorrow at eight" maybe



S Stephen Manning 10:47
"Have a nice battle".

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:51
Isn't it great that we can joke about this now,?

E Erin Bell 10:54
Not so much.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 10:54
What do the Siege of Petersburg and the sSiege of Vicksburg have in common?

S Stephen Manning 11:00
They were both sieges,

D Dave Chow 11:01
Yeah, they were both burgs

H Heather Hill 11:03
Yeah, they were both Bergs.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:04
Partial credit,

D Dave Chow 11:06
We'll take it.

J James Tubbs 11:06
Okay. One was on a river.

- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:08
They're both Bergs,
- D** Danielle Maxwell 11:09
Yeah
- D** Dave Chow 11:09
They're both in the Western Hemisphere.
- H** Heather Hill 11:11
They both took place during the Civil War.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:13
Neither took place in my kitchen
- D** Dave Chow 11:15
True, and Dan Maggio wasn't there.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:17
Mm-hm. There was something very unique to end the sieges that happened that involved digging,
- D** Danielle Maxwell 11:25
digging trenches
- J** James Tubbs 11:26
Oh, they - Well, I know that at Petersburg, they dug under the battlements and blew it up.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:31
That is exactly what happened in both to end the siege. The miners dug underneath the enemy lines and blew up all their gunpowder at once.

lines and blew up all their gunpowder at once.

E Erin Bell 11:31
Oh my gosh.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:31
Yeah. I'm calling that a win, right there

E Erin Bell 11:37
Do you pick the hardest questions for the Homecoming episodes? I'm just wondering

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 11:47
I'm sure I did not

E Erin Bell 11:48
stumpers

J James Tubbs 11:49
What happened to Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain following his wounding at Petersburg that no one else had happen during that war? Wow. These are tough

D Danielle Maxwell 12:00
It didn't get infected.

J James Tubbs 12:02
Wasn't he the guy from Massachusetts?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:04
Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain, he got wounded at Petersburg, and something happened almost immediately. What was it?

- E** Erin Bell 12:11
He died?
- D** Dave Chow 12:12
He had a lawyer.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:13
He didn't die. No. No lawyers.
- D** Dave Chow 12:15
He was an ambulance chaser?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:16
I mean, something happens when there's like, all sorts of valor on the battlefield, even beyond getting a medal,
- D** Dave Chow 12:23
Sainthood,
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:24
No, lower than sainthood.
- H** Heather Hill 12:27
He won the battle.
- D** Danielle Maxwell 12:29
He got knighted.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:30
He was promoted on the spot. He was promoted on the spot for valor, yes, by Ulysses S Grant, who is the subject of the next question. Speaking of General Grant. that was not his given first

name is the only person I know speaking of General Grant, and that name is given me name, Ulysses. What was it?

E Erin Bell 12:44
Oh, my gosh

H Heather Hill 12:46
Bob.

D Dave Chow 12:49
Prasad.

E Erin Bell 12:49
I know my son knows the answers to all of these with his -


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:53
Phone a friend. Lets go


H Heather Hill 12:56
Stewart,


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 12:58
So did you know that Grant was born under a different name. His name was changed by his sponsor, a US rep, when he was nominated to attend West Point, and then when he arrived to go to college, he decided to start using the name he was given on the nomination.


H Heather Hill 13:13
So, that was part of the condition of his tuition being paid was that he had to change his name?


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:18
I'm sure I don't know. I can give you this much. Ulysses was his original middle name. He had a different first name,


 Danielle Maxwell 13:27
Can you give us a letter


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:28
H but it is old.


 Dave Chow 13:30
Hercules.


 Stephen Manning 13:30
Harry.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:31
Hercules is the closest


 Danielle Maxwell 13:33
Not Harrison.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:35
You don't run into a lot of students with this name. Let me put it that way,


 Dave Chow 13:40
Hieronymus


 James Tubbs 13:41
Herbert


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:41
Herbert. also up there. His name was Hiram.


 Dave Chow 13:51
As in Walker ?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:52
Hiram Ulysses


 Danielle Maxwell 13:52
I see why he changed it now.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 13:54
Yeah, exactly.


 Brian Curtis 13:55
I don't think we're passing this.

 Heather Hill 13:57
We need that extra credit

 Dave Chow 13:58
Quick. Call in the lefty. We need the reliever,

 Erin Bell 14:01
Professor Mio, Isn't there a token we can earn or something?

 Erin Bell 14:05
There possibly is

 Heather Hill 14:06

Alternative grading

E Erin Bell 14:07
Yes.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:08
What university was associated with General William Tecumseh Sherman? What university was associated with Sherman?

D Dave Chow 14:16
University of Sherman?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:17
He was superintendent of this university, whatever that means.


S Stephen Manning 14:20
Georgia Tech











M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:21
Not Georgia Tech.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:24
Nope. A little further west, actually.

S Stephen Manning 14:27
West Point,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:27
Nope.



-  Danielle Maxwell 14:27
University of North Carolina,
-  Dave Chow 14:28
Where's our map when we need it?
-  Danielle Maxwell 14:29
Was University of Kentucky around ?
-  Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:31
a little further south.
-  Brian Curtis 14:33
Tennessee ?
-  James Tubbs 14:33
VMI,
-  Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:34
Not Tennessee, no.
-  Danielle Maxwell 14:35
Where's our map? We need our map
-  Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:35
It was Louisiana State
-  Heather Hill 14:35
Oh.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:35
He was superintendant of Louisiana State Seminary of Learning and Military Academy. Now know as LSU

J James Tubbs 14:45
He went a long way to become a Yankee after that

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 14:48
Absolutely. What was John Brown's occupation by anecdote, prior to moving to bloody Kansas and seizing the arsenal at Harpers Ferry? What did he do?

E Erin Bell 14:59
Sheep farmer?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:00
He was not a farmer,

J James Tubbs 15:00
School teacher.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:01
He was not a teacher. He lived off the land in a very specific way. He did things to animal hides,

D Danielle Maxwell 15:10
Tanner?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:12
Tanner. He was a tanner. FYI, his father was a tanner, taught by Jesse Grant, Hiram Ulysses Grant's father.

H Heather Hill 15:19



Six degrees of separation.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:22

Yep.



Danielle Maxwell 15:23

How many do we have correct?



Dave Chow 15:25

Not enough



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:25

Shang and Ang bunker were the famous original conjoined twins?



Dave Chow 15:35

Yes.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:35

What distinction do they have with regard to the Civil War, by tradition?



Dave Chow 15:39

Did they marry somebody who is -



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:41

No,



James Tubbs 15:42

They met Abraham Lincoln.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:44



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:44

Nope, this is just wild enough that it may not be true, but it's still super exciting.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 15:47

I mean, I'm gonna give it to you, because guess what, one got drafted and the other didn't. The one that didn't get drafted, won, if that makes any sense. Yeah, that was, that's pretty good, pretty good. What happened - Oh, my, I've heard of this before, and it's really, you know, it sounds like cool, but it's not at all. It's deeply disturbing. What happened to the wounds of the soldiers in the fields after the Battle of Shiloh?



Stephen Manning 15:51

They fought for different sides. (The professors laugh)



Danielle Maxwell 16:21

They got infected.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:22

They definitely got infected, but by something very specific.



Dave Chow 16:27

Mosquitos? Rats?



Danielle Maxwell 16:28

Flesh-eating bacteria?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:30

No



James Tubbs 16:31

Gangrene?



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:31

The wounds started doing something at night,

E

Erin Bell 16:34

Glowing?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:35

They glowed in the dark.

J

James Tubbs 16:36

Oh,

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:37

yeah. They had been infected with bioluminescent bacteria, and so all the dead started glowing from there wounds.

J

James Tubbs 16:45

Wow

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:46

Yeah, that's one for the ages there. These have been at least a little bit, if not completely entertaining, Dana. Thank you.

D

Dave Chow 16:54

and grizzly.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 16:55

Last question, Jefferson Davis, of course, was the president of the Confederate States of America. Who was the other Jefferson Davis during the Civil War?

D

Dave Chow 17:04

There's another?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:05
There is another one,

D Danielle Maxwell 17:06
like, his title or his job?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:08
I mean, just in general. It's a war. So you can make some pretty good guesses.

D Danielle Maxwell 17:12
He's a general.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:13
He was a general, partial credit. He was a general for the Union.

E Erin Bell 17:16
Okay,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:16
Yep. He served in the western theater. He was born in Indiana. So the two Jefferson Davis's

D Dave Chow 17:22
Why do I get the feeling we're giving away a coffee mug, seven pounds of coffee and a vital organ?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:28
Those were tough. Those were really, really tough.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:31

So let's move on to a different set of questions now, sent by the great, not at all late, Hank Durkin.

D

Dave Chow 17:31

you think ?

H

Heather Hill 17:31

Yay!

D

Dave Chow 17:32

Where is he?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:37

H'es around. He's around

D

Dave Chow 17:41

There he is - back there - skulking about.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 17:43

Yes. Oh, I just love this question set. I wish it had 100 questions in it, Hank. The best movie tag lines. So for the people from different generations - we would get advertising for movies, and we would have a special sentence associated with that movie that gave you a sense of the plot - that made you want to go see it.

D

Danielle Maxwell 18:01

I'm vaguely familiar with this.

M


Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:02


for instance, probably the most famous one of all in my world, "In space, no one can hear you scream"


H


Heather Hill 18:10

 Heather Hill 18:10
ALIEN


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:10
ALIEN was the movie. Yes


 Erin Bell 18:12
I remember watching all the ALIEN movies.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:14
All we had to go on was a trailer that we probably missed and a poster in the lobby, right? So What movie are we going to see? "Fear can hold you prisoner, hope can set you free". I'm looking in a New England ish, kind of direction on this one


 James Tubbs 18:28
Shawshank Redemption.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:33
It's the Shawshank Redemption. There we go. All right

 Erin Bell 18:35
Alright, We're on a roll.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:36
Yes. Now be very careful, professors.

 Heather Hill 18:38
Is that the tagline?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:39
No, "Just when you thought it was safe to go back in water"

H Heather Hill 18:45
JAWS 2,

S Stephen Manning 18:45
JAWS

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:47
JAWS 2, not JAWS. JAWS 2.

S Stephen Manning 18:47
That's another New England question.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 18:48
A lot of New England questions. "The first casualty of war is innocence". Ooh, tough movie,

S Stephen Manning 19:00
Private Ryan

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:04
No. A little bit before that,

E Erin Bell 19:07
All's Quiet On the Western Front.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:09
Nope.

D Dave Chow 19:09
Deer Hunter, Apocalypse Now,

E Erin Bell 19:11
PLATOON

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:11
Single word starts with the letter P,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:11
PLATOON

D Dave Chow 19:12
as opposed to spittoons.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:13
Yes. Have any of the younger props seen any of these movies?

D Danielle Maxwell 19:18
Not a chance

J James Tubbs 19:20
Oh, really?

B Brian Curtis 19:22
Yeah, not looking very hot from me.

D Dave Chow 19:24
We're accumulating a list.

D Danielle Maxwell 19:26
I have a list on my phone. I've not made any progress.

D Dave Chow 19:29
C'mon. We introduced you to WKRP last year. Come on.

B Brian Curtis 19:29
We have to be better for the next -

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:29
Yeah, exactly. You have one year to prepare for the next one.

D Danielle Maxwell 19:29
Oh, my goodness.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:29
So Hank can work on those questions. "On the air. Unaware". That was a good tagline, very short. It's a Jim Carrey number,

D Danielle Maxwell 19:45
THE MASK?


B Brian Curtis 19:46
THE TRUMAN SHOW.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:50
THE TRUMAN SHOW


D Danielle Maxwell 19:53
Yeah, there we go.


E Erin Bell 10:54


 Erin Bell 19:54
That's the only Jim Carrey movie I approve of.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 19:57
Interesting, interesting. Um. Don't think too hard,


 Dave Chow 20:00
We don't,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:00
even if you just know the cultural touch point - "One man struggle to take it easy",


 Dave Chow 20:05
"The Jim Tubbs Story" (The professors laugh)


 James Tubbs 20:10
No, I don't struggle.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:11
A classic, basically Generation X, defining 1980s movie. It involves Chicago.

 Dave Chow 20:22
Ferris Bueller's Day Off.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:24
Ferris Bueller's Day Off. Chicago and the Red Wings

 Erin Bell 20:28
This sounds too serious for them.



M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:31
It does

H Heather Hill 20:33
One man?

E Erin Bell 20:34
I know

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:34
"One man's struggle to take it easy.

H Heather Hill 20:35
He was not a man

E Erin Bell 20:37
I was thinking like Chevy Chase or something.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:40
"They're young, they're in love, and they kill people".

J James Tubbs 20:45
Bonnie and Clyde

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 20:51
Oh my gosh, "This is the weekend they didn't play golf".

E Erin Bell 20:57
WEEKEND AT BERNIE'S?

H Heather Hill 20:58
That's what I was thinking.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:01
I mean, yes, except we need to go down sort of a more dramatic, less comedic, more dramatic
-

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:07
Yes.

D Dave Chow 21:07
HALLOWEEN 2

E Erin Bell 21:07
Oh


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:09
I mean, I could give it away with just two words "Dueling Banjos".

E Erin Bell 21:16
Oh, DELIVERANCE That was the tagline? say that again.


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:19
"This is the weekend they didn't play golf"


E Erin Bell 21:21
Can you imagine going to that movie?


H Heather Hill 21:25
I did not know that line


 James Tubbs 21:26
That was one nightmare waiting to be repeated


 Dave Chow 21:30
Ned Betty is just spinning in his grave right now.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:33
Going back to especially the late boomers, "This is Benjamin. He's a little worried about his future.


 James Tubbs 21:39
Oh, Mrs. Robinson - Um -

 Dave Chow 21:42
Oh, THE GRADUATE


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 21:45
Yes. Very, very good. Next time Hank maybe Civil War. I mean, they've got all these,


 Dave Chow 21:51
You just want another mug, don't you.


 James Tubbs 21:53
Ocean liners.


 Dave Chow 21:57
One more. This is Hank's favorite. And I do agree this is pretty good, especially going into a spooky season here, that'll be your clue,

 Danielle Maxwell 22:04


 Danielle Maxwell 22:04
Halloween

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:05
"Check in, unpack, relax, take a shower."


 Erin Bell 22:09
Psycho


 James Tubbs 22:09
Psycho


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:10
Absolutely Psycho, fantastic. That's awesome.


 Dave Chow 22:14
Jim, that does sound like you.


 Heather Hill 22:15
Those were great, Hank. Thank you.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:17
Oh "Dear Matt and professors, seeing as how you have a new season fast approaching, I've taken upon myself to come up with a new series of questions for your fine show. The theme of these questions will be obscure professions. I'll provide the name of 20 professions. It'll be up to the profs to ascertain what it is that that person does . Mind you, I was kind, and I did not name 20 professors and asked what it is that they do". (The professors laugh) Wonderful. "Please enjoy", our good friend. Rachel Ralston, thank you for sending those in. Rachel. So what is a Wainwright?


 Heather Hill 22:56
Something with a boat?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 22:57
Nope.


 James Tubbs 22:58
No. Don't they repara wagons.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:02
They make wagons. Yeah, they make wagons of wagon wheels. These are going to be spectacular. I can already tell


 Erin Bell 23:10
wheelhouse,


 Heather Hill 23:10
In the wheelhouse

 Stephen Manning 23:11
close enough.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:13
What's a wharfinger?

 Dave Chow 23:16
Careful.

 Heather Hill 23:18
Wharfinger. Somebody that works at a wharf?

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:21
That is exactly what it is. As a matter of fact, the person in charge of the wharf. Is a wharfinger.

D Danielle Maxwell 23:26
Oh, I was hearing more like W, A, R, and then I was hearing wharf

D Dave Chow 23:29
Not the Klingon. You had to go, Klingon again,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:33
I'm going in a slightly chemical direction. So we have a couple of chemists at the table,

D Danielle Maxwell 23:38
Okay

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:39
A puddler. What does a puddler do?

D Danielle Maxwell 23:41
A puddler. Is it a person that makes like metals?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:45
That's exactly what they do. They work with wrought iron because it puddles, it flows. Yeah, that's exactly right.

D Dave Chow 23:51
That's what my brother in-law's new puppy does.

E Erin Bell 23:52
And a 7 year old

D Dave Chow 23:53

Yes,

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 23:58

What's a ripper?

D

Dave Chow 24:01

That's something my seven year-old nephew does

H

Heather Hill 24:04

Something to do with clothing or fabric,

S

Stephen Manning 24:07

fabric

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:07

Ah, I think - I want to say this as a an Irish bent to it

D

Dave Chow 24:12

Jack.

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:13

There's definitely a song that I can think of.

S


Stephen Manning 24:15


A kilt maker.


M


Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:16


No. They sell - something that you eat is a ripper, because I believe they would whip out a knife and pull out the guts and then pass it over to you


 Heather Hill 24:25
A fishmonger?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:26
A fish monger. Yeah. Basically it's a fish monger Yeah.


 Dave Chow 24:29
Okay,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:31
Old school peruker, P, e r, u k, e r. What do they do?


 Heather Hill 24:37
I'm sorry, would you spell that one more?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:38
P, e r, u k, e r, a Peruker


 Dave Chow 24:41
Can you use that in a sentence?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:45
Yes. Yes, I can. Do I want to?


 Dave Chow 24:49
What's the origin?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:50
trying to think of a good way to do


 Danielle Maxwell 24:53
someone that finds a bunch of antiques and, like, resells them.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 24:55
I mean, very specific, but not what we have here. This person makes an accessory


 Dave Chow 25:02
Hat.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:02
So in particular, someone who might want to have hair who doesn't have hair,


 Dave Chow 25:08
A wigmaker

 Heather Hill 25:08
Peruker

 Dave Chow 25:11
Sounds so noble.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:14
Some some softballs here. How about a sawyer? You know what a sawyer is?

 Erin Bell 25:19
Yeah, I don't know why I'm pantomiming on a radio show..

 Danielle Maxwell 25:21
Well, there are cameras today.

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:23
I got the "shh - shh". I got that.

D Dave Chow 25:26
The Shh Shh

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:27
It is a character. Oh my gosh. How about a Thatcher?

J James Tubbs 25:32
Thatches the roof

J James Tubbs 25:35
I watch edone of those guys doing it in Ireland, and it was fascinating.

H Heather Hill 25:36
She did it again


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:38
Pretty fascinating stuff,


D Dave Chow 25:40
It's a lot of work,


M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:41
Absolutely. How about a hobbler? H, O, B, B, L, E, R, a hobbler? No, no Hobbit jokes.


D Danielle Maxwell 25:48
Cobbler but Hobbler


- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 25:51
You know that there are people that have the job of hobbler. I'm thinking of our good friend, Dean in the College of Engineering and Science, Liz Roberts Kirchhoff, lives on a lot of canals in New Baltimore, and hobbler have a very specific job that they have to do.
- D** Danielle Maxwell 26:05
They open and close the gates on -
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:07
That's really close.
- E** Erin Bell 26:08
Dredging the water levels?
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:10
No, no. It's the person with the long hook that brings your boat into the side, as they're walking along the land
- H** Heather Hill 26:18
A docker
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:19
A docker. Yeah, exactly so. Oh my. I've never heard this word before, but it will soon enter my everyday speech, costermonger, C, O, S, T, E, R, M, O, N, G, E, R.
- J** James Tubbs 26:31
Not Costco monger. That's Jim.
- M** Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:33
He sell something, by the way, something that you eat


 James Tubbs 26:37
Well, a monger sells. Yes.


 Dave Chow 26:40
bread, vegetables,


 Heather Hill 26:42
fish,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:43
not fish. We got the meat.


 Danielle Maxwell 26:46
Flowers, like a florist?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:47
No, that's good. Florist is closer. It's very brightly colored. It's a food


 Stephen Manning 26:52
Vegetables,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:53
Not vegetables, but -


 Dave Chow 26:54
pork buns


 Danielle Maxwell 26:55
candy,


 Heather Hill 26:56
Fruit?


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 26:57
Fruit. fruit A seller is a costermonger, yeah.


 Dave Chow 27:00
Fruit seller, so much easier to say,


 James Tubbs 27:01
yeah, a lot easier.


 Heather Hill 27:03
Fruit monger,


 Dave Chow 27:04
Yeah,


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:05
Oh my gosh. How about an arkwright? A, r, k,


 James Tubbs 27:09
somebody that builds big boats.


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:11
I mean, at least partial credit. It's supposedly chests and furniture, but we'll give it to you


 James Tubbs 27:17
Ark chest. Okay


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:19
A Fletcher, people know fletchers


 Dave Chow 27:21
Arrows


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:22
They make arrows. That's right- back in the day when that was a big deal. How about a muleskinner?

 Heather Hill 27:27
Well, obviously


 James Tubbs 27:29
They skin mules

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:30
I mean, they do not skin mules on purpose. If that makes any sense,

 Erin Bell 27:35
We're thinking shoes

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:37
not shoes.

 Heather Hill 27:38
They don't skin mules on purpose.

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:40

They work with the wainwright. Does that help, if I say that they work with the Wainwright.

D

Danielle Maxwell 27:41

Can you remind us who the Wainwright is?

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:42

That was the wagonmaker.

D

Dave Chow 27:46

Oh, they make the covers for wagons?

H

Heather Hill 27:49

They sell the mules to the wagon people

S

Stephen Manning 27:52

Wagon wheels,

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:53

Pretty close. It's the person who drives the wagon. So they're whipping the mules.

D

Dave Chow 27:57

Oh, an Uber driver

M

Matt Mio, Ph.D. 27:59

Yeah, basically an Uber driver. Yeah, exactly

H

Heather Hill 28:03

mule skinner



Dave Chow 28:03
for mule school



Danielle Maxwell 28:05
That's a horrible name.



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:09
Do you remember your colonial jobs here? What's a whitesmith, spelled like the color white?



Danielle Maxwell 28:11
Not a blacksmith,



Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:13
not a blacksmith, absolutely.



Dave Chow 28:13
So it's not iron.



Danielle Maxwell 28:13
I don't know?




Heather Hill 28:13
Clothes





Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:14
Blacksmiths don't melt iron, Blacksmiths do what?





Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:14
oh, it's actually, it's a different metal. You work with a different metal


 Dave Chow 28:14
Tin


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:16
Tin, exactly,


 James Tubbs 28:25
Okay


 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:27
Because it has a sort of a white hue to it when you turn it out. Yeah,


 Dave Chow 28:36
I was gonna say aluminum

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:37
I'm pretty sure you're gonna know this one off the top of your head. How about a Chandler

 Heather Hill 28:42
that really annoying guy -

 Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:43
Why do I always say -

 Erin Bell 28:43
What are you even talking about?

 Dave Chow 28:43
One of the guys on FRIENDS

D Dave Chow 28:48
Is it a candlemaker?

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 28:50
It's a candle maker. It's a candlemaker. Oh my gosh. Let's see. How about a resurrectionist? Oh my!

D Dave Chow 29:01
Jim,

J James Tubbs 29:01
somebody that digs up bodies

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 29:04
I mean, yeah, mostly in the early days of medical science,

E Erin Bell 29:08
Fair enough

J James Tubbs 29:09
provides specimen.

D Dave Chow 29:10
Yes, how about a Hayward, H, a, y, w, a, r, d,

J James Tubbs 29:15
Somebody that gathers up hay and makes it into haystack,

M Matt Mio, Ph.D. 29:19
I mean, pretty close, but it would have - in the manor house style, like going towards Edwardian, they get good at doing yard work, fences, hedges, things like that. So yeah, pretty

Edwardian, they got good at doing yard work, fences, neuges, things like that. So, yeah, pretty good. That was, that was, that was pretty solid. Got resurrectionists, so we'll say that's a full pass. No tokens needed. Perfect. Absolutely perfect.

M

Michael Jayson 29:46

And that's just the first half of our Ask the Professor program recorded at Detroit Mercy's Homecoming 2025. We'll hear the second half next week. A video of the full hour Ask the Professor Homecoming show is being produced by our Communication Studies Media Engineer, Brian Maisonville. Look for it soon on the Ask the Professor YouTube page. Today's episode of Ask the Professor was recorded at Detroit Mercy's McNichols Campus library. Our executive producer is Professor Jason Roche, and I'm Michael Jayson, inviting you back next week for the second half of our Ask the Professor show recorded before a live audience at Detroit Mercy Homecoming 2025.