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Matt Mio, Dave Chow, Dan Maggio, Mara Livezey, Michael Jayson, Danielle Maxwell, Stephen Manning, Heather Hill, Speaker 3, Speaker 2, Speaker 1

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Matt Mio 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 left, it's Professor Wednesday Addams.

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Mara Livezey 00:19

Boo.

M

Matt Mio 00:20

(Laughs) You even have your arms crossed in a sort of classic Wednesday Addams kind of way

M

Mara Livezey 00:26

I've been trying to be super straight faced all day.

M

Matt Mio 00:29

It's so hard

M

Mara Livezey 00:30

Not particularly successful.

M

Matt Mio 00:32

Yeah, that's all right. It's Mara Livezey, but we're gonna call her Wednesday today - at least once. There we're done.

M

Mara Livezey 00:37

Thank you.

M

Matt Mio 00:38

Yes, it is Halloween day, no matter when you're listening to this, and that's just the way that the world works. We had a lot of people dressing up in the department today. I don't know if you saw Madison - dressed as Winnie the Pooh.

M

Mara Livezey 00:49

I didn't.

M

Matt Mio 00:50

Yeah, she had a honey pot and everything. It was really cute. Megan was a shark. And the next person at the table, Professor Danielle Maxwell, also known as Winifred Sanderson?

D

Danielle Maxwell 01:01

That is correct. That is correct.

M

Matt Mio 01:03

There you go. You went all in on this wig.

D

Danielle Maxwell 01:05

I did.

D

Dave Chow 01:06

That's a wig?

M

Matt Mio 01:08

Wow!

D

Danielle Maxwell 01:08

It's staying on. We're doing the full 12 hours today.

D

Danielle Maxwell 01:08

Surprising, I know. There are 16 bobby pins stuck in my head right now. And I took two ibuprofen today. (The professors laugh) You know, like midday, because I was like, "I'm getting a headache. I wonder why"

M

Mara Livezey 01:16

It's worth it.

S

Stephen Manning 01:18

Oh, my -

M

Matt Mio 01:20

That is incredible.

D

Dave Chow 01:22

You're not gonna pass a metal detector, are you?

D

Danielle Maxwell 01:25

No (Laughs) No, there's metal on my arms. There's metal everywhere on me at the moment,

D

Dave Chow 01:31

You're like the Frankenstein monster

D

Danielle Maxwell 01:31

Exactly.

M

Matt Mio 01:31

Professor Dave Chow is here who is definitely committed to passing out stir fry tonight.

D

Dave Chow 01:37

Yes, I am, well, at least to the immediate neighbors, not to everyone.

M

Matt Mio 01:44

So the clam chowder idea was kiboshed by Marcy

M Matt Mio 01:45

Right (Laughs)

S Speaker 1 01:46

It depends on how thick it is.

M Mara Livezey 01:46

Ahh, right.

D Dave Chow 01:46

I'm gonna be in trouble, that's all. If that's the case.

M Matt Mio 01:46

(Laughs) Across the table from me is Professor Dan Maggio. You're gonna get a lot of trick or treaters tonight over there, right?

D Dan Maggio 01:58

I don't know. I'm not a fortune teller (Dan and Danielle laugh)

M Matt Mio 02:02

but in recent years -

Mara Livezey 02:02

The snark is real, so real

H Heather Hill 02:06

Ouch.

D Dan Maggio 02:06

I didn't mean it to go out like that. I don't actually know.

H Heather Hill 02:09

That was very un Dan-like

S Stephen Manning 02:11

the snarky Dan Maggio.

M Mara Livezey 02:12

That was very Wednesday of you.

D Dan Maggio 02:15

Yes, I was channeling Wednesday because Mara's character. So - I don't know, last year we got an average of about maybe 20 to 25

D Dan Maggio 02:25

No, pieces of candy I gave out.

M Matt Mio 02:25

Oh, really?

M

Mara Livezey 02:25

Oh, that's low.

D

Dan Maggio 02:25

I think that was probably about 15 kids. So I'm hoping tonight's better, because the weather's nice,

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Dan Maggio 02:26

yeah, and it's the end of the week, you know.

D

Dave Chow 02:30

It's a Friday.

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Heather Hill 02:37

It's a Friday. It's chilly out, though, with that wind

H

Heather Hill 02:39

It's a little little bit chilly.

D

Danielle Maxwell 02:41

It would be warm if it wasn't for the wind.

S

Speaker 2 02:43

Like four or five years ago, right? It was like butt cold, and it was like snowing on Halloween night. We can do without that, right?

D

Dan Maggio 02:50

but there have been nights where I've been out in shorts -

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Matt Mio 02:50

Oh, absolutely.

D

Dave Chow 02:50

Dan, you're always in shorts, aren't you?

D

Dan Maggio 02:50

I am. Except for today

M

Matt Mio 02:50

He's a shorts kind of guy

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Dan Maggio 02:57

I am.

M

Matt Mio 02:59

Professor Stephen Manning is here, what's going on

S

Stephen Manning 03:02

Uh, I'm just getting my vision back. I had my eye test this morning. You know how they do the drops thing and -

M

Matt Mio 03:09

Okay

S

Stephen Manning 03:09

Unfortunately, it was sunny most of the day which makes it harder to get your thing back. So I had to be driven around.

M

Matt Mio 03:16

This is Matt talking to you, by the way, Stephen, just to make sure that you're able to -

S

Stephen Manning 03:20

but I think it's back.

M

Matt Mio 03:22

Oh, good.

S

Stephen Manning 03:22

Mostly, yeah,

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Matt Mio 03:23

You, like, perked up very much so there. That's great. And Professor Heather Hill is here with us today.

H

Heather Hill 03:28

You guys are talking about like being on your next door thing?

M

Matt Mio 03:31

Right.

H

Heather Hill 03:32

There was a post from a woman recently. Her video camera at night caught somebody stealing her Halloween decorations.

D

Danielle Maxwell 03:41

Ohh!

H

Heather Hill 03:42

You can see him literally lifting them up, right? It's just insane. I don't know what - And then somebody, there were lots of comments on it, and some woman wrote in, "Well, when you celebrate Satan's holiday, that's what you get". And I was like - "What are you church lady?" I mean, it was just like, this whole thing, it's crazy,

S

Stephen Manning 04:04

and your address, ma'am, is what?

H

Heather Hill 04:05

Yeah, I know. So - One, don't steal Halloween decorations. Two, don't blame the victim.

S

Stephen Manning 04:13

You'd think people would know. There was so much surveillance out there, not only home, but in cities and stuff, there's cameras all over.

H

Heather Hill 04:21

You can see this guy. He's like, they were, like, set up down, like, into the ground. He pulls them up, like, pulls out the stakes. He's got a big contractors plastic bag. He puts them in, and he's riding a bike

D

Dave Chow 04:33

That's what the exploding gifts are for

M

Mara Livezey 04:34

Over the shoulder on the bike.

H

Heather Hill 04:35

I didn't see that part, but you can see he's parked his bike. It's like, three in the morning.

S

Stephen Manning 04:40

I had a guy once had showed up at the front door - and his bicycle was on the front lawn, and he came up and he said, "Can I clean your gutters?" It was like, this time of year, "Can I clean your gutters?" And I looked past him, you know, "where's your ladder, where's your - " I mean, "how are you going to clean my gutters? You need to get up to the gutter level."

M

Matt Mio 05:02

Oh, man. Well, folks, this is a program where you can send us questions regarding anything. If you stump the panel, you receive a brand new edition of the ATP coffee mug and an autographed photograph of the pros. If you don't stump the panel, we'll still send you the autographed photograph. You can send us 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. Profs, you'll remember from long, long ago, in a time called September, we had a very, very long set of questions from the family Burroughs. We were basically only about halfway through it, and there's tons more. They're all over the place. Let's just have some fun. What word is best associated with the following five: horse, matter, knight, chocolate, ages.

H Heather Hill 05:56

Middle

D Danielle Maxwell 05:56

Middle, yeah.

M Matt Mio 06:02

Middle horse?

D Danielle Maxwell 06:03

I mean, like the Middle Ages had horses.(Laughs)

M Matt Mio 06:05

Middle matters?

H Heather Hill 06:06

Really?

D Danielle Maxwell 06:07

They just came about recently, Heather,

S Stephen Manning 06:08

It's not middle

M

Matt Mio 06:09

It's not middle.

S

Stephen Manning 06:11

Understood

M

Matt Mio 06:12

Middle knight?

D

Danielle Maxwell 06:15

Dark? Dark chocolate, dark knight.

H

Heather Hill 06:17

Dark ages.

M

Matt Mio 06:17

There you go. Dark horse, dark matter.

M

Matt Mio 06:20

Yes.

S

Stephen Manning 06:23

Was chocolate one of those words?

D Danielle Maxwell 06:25

(Laughs) The middle chocolate. This is the middle chocolate and the middle table.

D Dave Chow 06:30

And this is the left chocolate.

D Danielle Maxwell 06:32

And this is the right chocolate.

M Matt Mio 06:33

Stephen just won the day with his arms crossed, "Wait, chocolate was one of the words? Huh".
(The professors laugh) Let's keep it going, since we're obviously hopped up on refined sugar.
Who was the only person to win Olympic gold and a Super Bowl ring? Wow, I did not hear this.
The Tokyo Olympics, 100 meter sprint and the 4x100m relay and then with the Dallas Cowboys
- Oh my!

D Danielle Maxwell 07:01

This would have to be a wide receiver.

D Dave Chow 07:02

Yes, it's - um - Bob Hayes.

M Matt Mio 07:06

Bob Hayes is the name

S Stephen Manning 07:07

Good job.

D Danielle Maxwell 07:07

How do you know that?

M Matt Mio 07:07

You freak me out some times.

D Dave Chow 07:08

I'm a geek. You know that

D Danielle Maxwell 07:09

Obviously, everyone knows Bob Hayes, whoever that is.

M Matt Mio 07:11

Obviously

D Dave Chow 07:12

He ran the anchor leg in the four by 100 meter race.

S Stephen Manning 07:12

So, you were not even born yet.

D Danielle Maxwell 07:12

I was not even born. Yeah, obviously I know Bob Hayes.

M

Matt Mio 07:12

Run that one by Brian and see if he can remember it. Can you list the six Star Trek movies in order that starred the original cast members, starting with the subtitle for each of the movies?

D

Danielle Maxwell 07:36

Star Trek 1.

H

Heather Hill 07:37

Wrath of Khan

D

Dan Maggio 07:37

Motion Picture, Wrath of Con, Search For Spock, Journey Home.

M

Matt Mio 07:38

The Voyage Home

D

Dan Maggio 07:40

The Voyage Home. Final Frontier

D

Dave Chow 07:48

Undiscovered Country.

D

Danielle Maxwell 07:51

I was gonna go 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and six.

D Dan Maggio 07:52

And Undiscovered Country.

M Matt Mio 07:53

That is it - in order. Very, very well done

D Dave Chow 07:54

Erin would be so proud of us.

M Matt Mio 07:54

We would have also accepted Roman numeral one, Roman numeral two -

D Dan Maggio 07:54

Yeah, where's Erin? Erin would have known these.

D Danielle Maxwell 07:56

Partial credit, right?

M Matt Mio 08:00

Exactly

D Dave Chow 08:01

Should we table that one for her again?

M

Matt Mio 08:02

I'm looking in a decidedly Dave Chow direction.

D

Dave Chow 08:07

Uh-oh. Green Acres.

M

Matt Mio 08:09

It's very well known that before Jack tripper, John Ritter moved in, the original roommate that lived with Janet and Chrissy on Three's Company's name was -

D

Dan Maggio 08:18

Oh, my gosh

M

Matt Mio 08:19

It's one of those, like, thrown away things, like, "Did you remember on Happy Days, there was an older sibling?"

D

Danielle Maxwell 08:28

Where do you keep it all?

M

Matt Mio 08:29

Eleanor was her name, absolutely. You are freaky deaky.

D

Dave Chow 08:29

I don't know.

H Heather Hill 08:29

The character's name?

D Dave Chow 08:29

Eleanor?

S Speaker 3 08:29

So the original one was a female.

D Dave Chow 08:33

And they never gave a last name.

H Heather Hill 08:35

No, no. I think that that was the premise is that they lost the female, the third female -

D Dave Chow 08:44

Yes. She got married

H Heather Hill 08:44

and it ended up being a boy - or a man.

H Heather Hill 08:45

So - they had to get another roommate,

D Dave Chow 08:46

and Jack was found in the bathtub.

S Stephen Manning 08:46

Clothed or not?

H Heather Hill 08:47

And didn't they have to pretend he was gay?

M Matt Mio 08:47

They had to pretend he was gay, so -

D Dave Chow 08:47

Clothed, he was in the shower -

H Heather Hill 08:50

And the Ropers are always very suspicious about what's going on -

H Heather Hill 08:57

Oh, now I'm showing my knowledge of the show too much.

M Matt Mio 09:00

See.

D Dave Chow 09:00

The landlord.

D Dave Chow 09:00

And you wonder where I keep it all.

S Stephen Manning 09:02

I was always suspicious, too.

H Heather Hill 09:03

(Sings) "We'll be waiting for you".

M Matt Mio 09:06

Let's go back to academics. What was Emily Dickinson's collegiate alma mater? We'll say undergrad.

H Heather Hill 09:13

Mount Holyoke.

M Matt Mio 09:14

It was Mount Holyoke. And the jumping off point from there, what very famous singer songwriter is a distant cousin of Emily Dickinson, according to Ancestry.com?

M Matt Mio 09:19

Singer-songwriter?

S

Stephen Manning 09:24

Taylor Swift

M

Matt Mio 09:28

Taylor Swift is correct.

D

Danielle Maxwell 09:30

You stared me down, and I was like, "Okay, I know the answer now".

M

Matt Mio 09:32

Sixth cousin

D

Dave Chow 09:34

Wow!

M

Matt Mio 09:35

Three times removed

D

Danielle Maxwell 09:36

That was quite the stare

M

Mara Livezey 09:36

That's pretty distant.

M

Matt Mio 09:38

Pretty distant. I was doing the best I could.

S

Stephen Manning 09:41

No wonder Taylor is such a poet.

H

Heather Hill 09:43

The reason I know this is because I went to Mount Holyoke. But when I was there my sophomore year, there was this woman who lived in the same dorm as me, and she started dressing in Emily Dickinson type clothes, and she would stand up and start reciting her poetry.

M

Matt Mio 09:43

Yeah.

M

Matt Mio 09:44

Oh my gosh!

H

Heather Hill 09:44

And she eventually - she was convinced that she was the reincarnation of Emily Dickinson.

M

Mara Livezey 09:57

Oh, no.

H

Heather Hill 09:58

Let's just say that she went home before Christmas. It was creepy.

D

Dave Chow 10:21

That was cosplay taken to the nth degree.

S

Stephen Manning 10:24

Wow.

M

Matt Mio 10:24

Is Emily Dickinson the one where almost every line she ever wrote can be recited to Yankee Doodle?

H

Heather Hill 10:30

No, Yellow Rose Of Texas.

M

Matt Mio 10:30

Oh, okay. Or Yellow Rose Of Texass. Sure.

H

Heather Hill 10:33

Well, that's -

M

Matt Mio 10:34

"I heard a fly buzz when I died", etcetera?

M

Matt Mio 10:37

How many Academy Award nominations does Keanu Reeves have?

M

Matt Mio 10:37

From the sublime to the ridiculous. It's not four

S

Stephen Manning 10:37

Four

H

Heather Hill 10:37

Yes.

M

Mara Livezey 10:40

Six

D

Danielle Maxwell 10:40

Seven.

M

Matt Mio 10:41

It's not six or seven

H

Heather Hill 10:46

None.

M

Matt Mio 10:47

Zero is correct.

M

Mara Livezey 10:48

Whoa!

M

Matt Mio 10:49

How many has he won? Oh, that's a secondary question. Um, how many Golden Globe nominations does Keanu Reeves have?

D

Dave Chow 10:55

Oh, he's got to have a couple.

D

Danielle Maxwell 10:55

Seven.

D

Dan Maggio 10:57

I would say zero.

M

Matt Mio 10:58

Zero is correct. How many Emmy noms?

M

Mara Livezey 11:01

Zero

M

Matt Mio 11:01

He's never been in a TV show.

M

Matt Mio 11:03

He didn't get anything for the Matrix? Come on.

D

Dave Chow 11:06

Or John Wick?

M

Mara Livezey 11:07

Or John Wick? He's so good at killing

M

Matt Mio 11:11

He's a very good guy.

D

Dave Chow 11:13

Did you folks see where the one crazed fan rushed his car the other day?

M

Matt Mio 11:18

I think I saw something on the news

M

Mara Livezey 11:20

Oh!

D

Dave Chow 11:20

Yeah, some crazed woman like charged out to his motorcade. Oh, because he's - Keanu Reeves is on Broadway right now.

D Danielle Maxwell 11:21

Oh. I didn't know that. What is he in?

D Dave Chow 11:26

I can't remember the play.

M Mara Livezey 11:30

Let's get him a nomination. Let's go

D Dave Chow 11:33

Yeah, really

M Matt Mio 11:34

Get a Tony. Get a Tony.

D Dan Maggio 11:36

No, it's, uh - He's starring in Waiting For Godot.

D Dave Chow 11:39

That's right.

D Dan Maggio 11:40

with his co actor from Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure.

M

Matt Mio 11:44

Yeah, exactly.

D

Dan Maggio 11:45

Can you imagine that

D

Danielle Maxwell 11:48

I have seen that movie.

H

Heather Hill 11:49

Didn't he play the Buddha in some movie or something?

H

Heather Hill 11:52

Keanu Reeves?

H

Heather Hill 11:53

Yeah.

M

Matt Mio 11:54

I mean, he was the oracle that knew everything in the Spongebob movie. I can tell you that much.

H

Heather Hill 11:59

That one that I don't -

D Dan Maggio 11:59

Oh, it's interesting you use the word Oracle because -

M Matt Mio 11:59

the word Oracle and SpongeBob never go together,

D Dave Chow 11:59

and also because of the data center happening outside Ann Arbor

M Matt Mio 12:10

Who was once dubbed the only black billionaire of the 20th century?

M Mara Livezey 12:15

Oprah?

M Matt Mio 12:15

Probably, Oprah.

H Heather Hill 12:16

George Jefferson?

M Matt Mio 12:16

No. Oprah. An actual person, not fictional character. Where would you find Koplik spots, K, O, P, L, I, K spots?

H Heather Hill 12:27

The sun?

M Matt Mio 12:28

No, it's not astronomical.

D Dave Chow 12:29

Is this a Stephanie Conant sort of -

M Matt Mio 12:29

You're getting a little bit closer.

D Dan Maggio 12:32

In the eye?

M Matt Mio 12:34

Yeah, the eye is not correct, but you've got it as bodily

D Dan Maggio 12:39

Skin?

M Matt Mio 12:40

The skin is correct for somebody who, you know, we thought that this was forever gone, and apparently it's back in full force in Alabama.

S

Stephen Manning 12:50

Measles?

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Matt Mio 12:50

Measles. Yes, measles spots.

M

Mara Livezey 12:54

Oh.

M

Matt Mio 12:55

We got there. This is a good piece of trivia. The first American car company turned 100 years old in 1997. Which company was it?

H

Heather Hill 13:07

Not Ford

M

Matt Mio 13:07

Not Ford.

M

Matt Mio 13:08

Not GM.

D

Danielle Maxwell 13:08

Not GM

D Danielle Maxwell 13:09
Oldsmobile

M Matt Mio 13:11
It was Olds

M Mara Livezey 13:12
Because it's old.

D Danielle Maxwell 13:13
Yeah.

M Matt Mio 13:14
Ransom Olds, one of the coolest names ever.

H Heather Hill 13:17
Keanu Reeves played the role of Prince Siddhartha, the future Buddha in the 1993 film, Little Buddha. Bam!

M Mara Livezey 13:24
1993, huh?

H Heather Hill 13:27
Not to be confused with the golden child.

S

Stephen Manning 13:29

I was not alive.

M

Matt Mio 13:30

Apparently no awards, huh?

D

Danielle Maxwell 13:32

You were alive, yes, but I was not.

M

Matt Mio 13:34

Well, he could be going for a Tony at this point.

M

Matt Mio 13:34

Okay.

M

Mara Livezey 13:34

He must have been young.

H

Heather Hill 13:37

That's right.

M

Matt Mio 13:38

What percentage of a human being's body is blood by weight?

Mara Livezey 13:45

10

Matt Mio 13:46

It's lower.

Dave Chow 13:47

Oh, really?

D Danielle Maxwell 13:49

Four

D Dan Maggio 13:49

2%

H Heather Hill 13:50

Six. What? Why is that funny?

M Matt Mio 13:52

It's not funny because I just knew that everybody was going to yell a number all at the same time. It's somewhere between seven and eight; which is nothing when anybody said, but Mara was the closest.

H Heather Hill 14:01

Yeah, we give it to Mara. You're in the wheelhouse.

M

Matt Mio 14:03

Seven to eight per cent is in the wheelhouse.

D

Dave Chow 14:05

We've got heavy bones.

D

Dan Maggio 14:06

Is that true for all weights. or - ?

M

Matt Mio 14:08

I mean, it says of the average human body.

D

Dave Chow 14:11

It should be about the same, because when you gain more mass, you also need more blood.

M

Mara Livezey 14:15

But don't you have more blood when you're pregnant too? Like -

M

Mara Livezey 14:15

Yeah. A pregnant lady, probably more than 10% -

D

Danielle Maxwell 14:15

probably more than 10 per cent

D Dan Maggio 14:15
Does that count for vampires?

M Matt Mio 14:15
What about vampires?

D Danielle Maxwell 14:15
There's a lot of blood.

D Dan Maggio 14:17
I think it's a legitimate question.

H Heather Hill 14:25
No, I'm sorry. I wasn't -

M Matt Mio 14:28
Which happened first in the forward flow of time, the invention of the metric system, or the death of George Washington?

D Danielle Maxwell 14:38
Oh, death of George Washington. I'm gonna go with death of George Washington.

D Dan Maggio 14:42
the metric system.

D

Dave Chow 14:43

I'm gonna go Washington.

H

Heather Hill 14:44

I'm going with Washington as well.

D

Dave Chow 14:46

Yeah, Washington

M

Matt Mio 14:50

So Washington passed 1799 Okay, and the metric system, technically, was invented in 1795 it actually came what I think. That those kind of questions. Leslie and I get into this all the time. She's the historian. She's like, "That was the Julian year. That shifted the whole year by almost a month". Like, I mean, you know, I mean, we weren't even using the Gregorian calendar, you know. And I'm like, All right.

S

Stephen Manning 15:14

Smarty pants.

D

Dan Maggio 15:17

Oh right, yes,

D

Danielle Maxwell 15:17

Yes.

M

Matt Mio 15:17

But that's why we have Presidents Day now, because we can't know what day George Washington was born - or died. In 1992 Time Magazine named this woman the most influential woman of that year for her protest. Who was she?

D

Dan Maggio 15:33

Jane Fonda?

M

Matt Mio 15:34

Noa. 92

D

Dave Chow 15:36

Who was she protesting in 1992?

M

Matt Mio 15:39

She protested the Roman Catholic Church.

D

Dave Chow 15:41

Oh. Sinead O'Connor

M

Matt Mio 15:42

Yes, on Saturday Night Live.

M

Mara Livezey 15:44

Oh!

H

Heather Hill 15:44

She tore up the picture

M

Matt Mio 15:46

the picture of the Pope. That's right.

S

Stephen Manning 15:49

and was banned from TV for a while

M

Matt Mio 15:51

That's right.

D

Dave Chow 15:52

Kris Kristofferson saved her butt.

M

Matt Mio 15:53

And then, because this is the way the world works, she became a priest after that.

M

Mara Livezey 15:57

Oh, makes sense

D

Danielle Maxwell 15:58

for the Catholic Church?

M

Matt Mio 15:59

in an offshoot of the church that allowed women to be priests. No, she did.

D

Danielle Maxwell 16:02

Wow.

M

Matt Mio 16:03

She was very, very Catholic. She just didn't like the way that JP II was doing the biz. What can I say.

H

Heather Hill 16:08

(Laughs)

M

Matt Mio 16:11

What are collectively Herschel and Leverrier?

H

Heather Hill 16:16

It sounds like a law firm.

M

Matt Mio 16:23

This is classic - I'll give a little bit away, classic science. Honestly, it's messed up.

D

Dave Chow 16:32

Were they, like, two islands off - ?

D Danielle Maxwell 16:32

What?

M Matt Mio 16:33

Two islands. You're getting there. You're going in the right direction.

D Dave Chow 16:38

We've had this one before, Dan. I know we have.

D Danielle Maxwell 16:39

What are they? Is that what you're trying to ask - What are Herschel and Leverrier?

M Matt Mio 16:39

Herschel and Leverrier

D Dave Chow 16:40

Were they land masses or some -

M Matt Mio 16:46

They were not land masses,

S Stephen Manning 16:48

part of an archipelago

D

Danielle Maxwell 16:49

small little oceans

M

Matt Mio 16:49

Mmm-mmm

H

Heather Hill 16:49

continental plates.

M

Matt Mio 16:50

They're not plates. They're not oceans.

D

Danielle Maxwell 16:52

(Laughs) Little lakes.

H

Heather Hill 16:54

Hint?

M

Matt Mio 16:58

I'm actually thinking "astronomical" is my hint.

D

Dave Chow 17:01

Two stars?

M

Matt Mio 17:03

Not stars

D

Dave Chow 17:03

Planets.

M

Matt Mio 17:05

They were original names of two very other well known planets. Herschel was the original suggested name for Uranus; and Leverrier, based on who discovered them, right? Was the original name for Neptune.

D

Dave Chow 17:17

Okay

M

Matt Mio 17:18

I'm glad we kind of went for the ancient times, gods and goddesses, kind of, you know, perspective and didn't, "Hey, have you seen the data on Herschel today?" Like, I don't know, it just feels -

D

Danielle Maxwell 17:28

My very earthly mother just sat upon nine herschels. (Matt and Danielle laugh)

M

Matt Mio 17:34

Very well done.

H

Heather Hill 17:35

I was thinking that too

M

Matt Mio 17:36
Remembering the planets

H

Heather Hill 17:37
Mary's violet eyes.

M

Matt Mio 17:40
I know we've had this before. I just think it's cool. Which American car manufacturer was the first to install cruise control?

D

Danielle Maxwell 17:49
Ford.

D

Dan Maggio 17:49
GM

M

Matt Mio 17:50
It was not .

H

Heather Hill 17:50
Chevy

M

Matt Mio 17:51
1958



Dave Chow 17:53

Oh, Chrysler?



Matt Mio 17:54

It was a Chrysler, a 58 Chrysler. Looking in Dave's direction. They called it the Speedostat.



Heather Hill 17:54

The Speedostat.



Matt Mio 18:01

Cadillac was the first that had that system and named it Cruise Control.



Dave Chow 18:06

Sounds better



Mara Livezey 18:08

Much better.



Dave Chow 18:09

Better branding



Matt Mio 18:10

I'd say a little bit better.

D Danielle Maxwell 18:11

Now they've advanced it to be adaptable cruise control.

D Danielle Maxwell 18:14

I love it. You don't have to break. It breaks for you. You just sit there and drive.

M Matt Mio 18:16

That's right.

H Heather Hill 18:18

It's weird, though

M Matt Mio 18:20

It is a little bit weird.

D Danielle Maxwell 18:22

I trust it.

M Matt Mio 18:23

What NFL team did Joe Namath end his career with by playing a single start and then he retired?

D Danielle Maxwell 18:30

The Jets.

D Dan Maggio 18:30

The Dolphins?

M Matt Mio 18:32

You could narrow it all down. You know, it wasn't the Lions.

D Dave Chow 18:32

Was it the Rams?

M Matt Mio 18:32

It was the L.A. Rams

D Dave Chow 18:34

I knew it was west coast.

M Matt Mio 18:38

I love how Dave knows his American sports just like straight up.

H Heather Hill 18:43

He wore pantyhose in an ad, didn't he?

D Dave Chow 18:45

Yes, he did.

M

Matt Mio 18:45

Yes, he did.

H

Heather Hill 18:46

Okay

M

Matt Mio 18:47

Yep. Joe Namath.

D

Dave Chow 18:49

He was also drunk as a skunk with Susie Colbert that one time too. We won't talk about that.

M

Matt Mio 18:53

Oh, it was like an interview?

D

Dave Chow 18:55

Oh, yeah. Oh, totally

H

Heather Hill 18:56

Was he wearing pantyhose during the interview?

D

Dave Chow 18:58

No, it was -

 Stephen Manning 18:59

She was

 Dan Maggio 19:02

.(Laughs)

 Dave Chow 19:03

The camera didn't pan down far enough.

 Matt Mio 19:05

Oh my! What do Band leader Glenn Miller, baseball player Roberto Clemente, boxer Rocky Marciano and singer Patsy Klein, unfortunately, all have in common?

 Stephen Manning 19:20

They have some disease.

 Danielle Maxwell 19:21

How they died

 Stephen Manning 19:22

How they died. But what is it?

 Danielle Maxwell 19:24

Car crash

D

Dave Chow 19:25

No, no. Airplane,

M

Matt Mio 19:26

They all died in a plane crash.

M

Mara Livezey 19:29

Wow.

D

Dan Maggio 19:29

Were they in the same airplane?

M

Matt Mio 19:30

Not the same, not the same. Independent times. Because that would have been some kind of conversation. Glenn Miller, Roberto Clemente -

M

Matt Mio 19:41

Rocky Marciano and Patsy Cline.

H

Heather Hill 19:42

I thought he was being snarky.

D

Dan Maggio 19:43

I was

H Heather Hill 19:44

He was being snarky.

M Matt Mio 19:47

Oh, but it's fun. It's more fun to be snarky.

H Heather Hill 19:50

No, I'm not - It just seems weird for Dan.

D Dan Maggio 19:53

I'm tired and cranky today.

D Danielle Maxwell 19:55

Tired and cranky today. Yeah, oh!

D Dave Chow 19:56

Dan, your tired and cranky is still better than most people.

H Heather Hill 19:59

Yeah

M Matt Mio 20:00

You know, I saw something recently, and I'm hoping it was just, as we're now calling it, some sort of A-I slop, because I couldn't believe it - about the population of Russia, the modern population of Russia, how unbelievably small it is. Like I couldn't begin to describe for you. We're getting close to 350 million in our country, and the population of Russia is less than 100 million. I'm just putting it out there.

D Danielle Maxwell 20:23

That's a lot of land.

M Matt Mio 20:23

And the reason is because of how much land it is. How many independent countries - Let's interpret that the way that is proper - border the country of Russia?

D Dave Chow 20:34

as we look at the US map - always.

M Matt Mio 20:34

because it's a lot

D Danielle Maxwell 20:35

China

D Dan Maggio 20:35

I'm gonna guess 15.

D Danielle Maxwell 20:35

And there's some Eastern -

M Matt Mio 20:42

You're saying 15, and the answer is 16. You hit it like spot on. 14 land borders and two maritime borders, if you can believe it.

S

Stephen Manning 20:52

Formerly, 15 republics

M

Matt Mio 20:53

Right

S

Stephen Manning 20:53

So they'd all be now border countries.

M

Matt Mio 20:53

That makes sense.

S

Stephen Manning 20:54

And China

M

Matt Mio 20:58

and then China. There you go

H

Heather Hill 20:59

and China.

M

Matt Mio 21:00

So guess what? I mean, that's bananas - because I'm thinking about, like, yeah, we have to count Ukraine still independent as far as we understand.

S

Stephen Manning 21:09

You know how many time zones there are in the old Soviet Union? I think it's eight.

M

Matt Mio 21:15

Yeah, it's like incredible.

D

Danielle Maxwell 21:18

How do they watch sports? Like, start at 9am

M

Matt Mio 21:24

What if you lived in the New York of Russia and L.A. had the World Series?

D

Danielle Maxwell 21:29

I know. You're like - watching at like three in the morning that the game starts.

M

Matt Mio 21:32

Dave.

D

Danielle Maxwell 21:32

We're all not nocturnal people

D

Dave Chow 21:32

And who doesn't do that? Oh, I do

M

Matt Mio 21:39

In the Bible, who is traditionally thought to be the father of Noah?

D

Danielle Maxwell 21:43

Noah's father

M

Matt Mio 21:44

Correct

D

Dave Chow 21:45

Mr. Noah

D

Danielle Maxwell 21:45

Noah Senior

H

Heather Hill 21:49

Methuselah.

M

Matt Mio 21:50

So, you are really close with Methuselah. Methuselah is related to Noah, and there's something that you can connect

D

Dave Chow 22:03

Jim Tubbs ought to have this down in a heartbeat, wouldn't he.

M

Mara Livezey 22:04

I can't connect anything to Methuselah. What does it start with?

M

Matt Mio 22:12

An L, it's sort of a classic - you'll never remember - Old Testament name.

H

Heather Hill 22:17

La Methuselah.

M

Matt Mio 22:19

Oh, my gosh, no. His name was Lamech, and for the record, Lamech was the first son of Methuselah -

H

Heather Hill 22:20

Oh, wow.

M

Matt Mio 22:20

who ended up - Methuselah was Noah's grandfather.

H

Heather Hill 22:20

I think I'm in the wheelhouse.

D

Danielle Maxwell 22:21

That's partial credit.

M

Matt Mio 22:21

I thought you were in the wheelhouse.

M

Matt Mio 22:26

Definitely partial credit.

M

Matt Mio 22:35

Totally in the wheelhouse. What is another term for these terms translated into Latin: Superbia, Invidia, Ira, Acedia, Avaritia, Gula and Luxuria?

D

Danielle Maxwell 22:52

Luxurious.

H

Heather Hill 22:53

Oh, the sins, seven deadly sins.

H

Heather Hill 22:54

Uh -

M

Mara Livezey 22:54

There were seven of them? Good guess.

M

Matt Mio 22:54

The seven deadly sins, that's exactly right. Now what tipped it off for you, Professor Hill?

D

Dave Chow 22:58

You know them intimately.

M

Matt Mio 23:05

eNo, I mean, was there one that you recognized in translation or - ?

H

Heather Hill 23:09

Luxuria

H

Heather Hill 23:10

It was your wonderful pronunciation.

M

Matt Mio 23:12

Oh, yeah. Sure.

M

Matt Mio 23:13

Oh, thank you.

D

Dave Chow 23:13

So, which one is luxuria?

D

Danielle Maxwell 23:13

Like, greed?

S

Stephen Manning 23:13

I thought it was pasta.

M

Matt Mio 23:16

(Laughs) You know chocolate was on the list. It was one of the things on the list.

D

Danielle Maxwell 23:22

Oh, no! We have so many Deadly Sins here then.

D

Danielle Maxwell 23:24

I think it might be sloth

D

Dave Chow 23:26

Luxuria?

M

Matt Mio 23:27

Oh, yeah, yeah, I see where you're going with this. I saw avaricia. That's avarice. That's greed, right? You all did very, very, very well with all these questions. There's one more. And for the record, that means we did 80 that they sent in. If you remember the way Frank ended the original message - "I've noticed recently on our family computer, somebody who is not me already started a new list of questions". So keep them coming, Frank. That's awesome. What is a sparko box? Sparko s, p, a, r, k, o, box,

D

Danielle Maxwell 24:02

The box where the spark plugs go.

H Heather Hill 24:04

Is that an old timey phrase?

M Matt Mio 24:05

It's not old timey. I'm gonna put it 90s. I'm gonna put it 80s.

H Heather Hill 24:10

Is it a car battery?

M Matt Mio 24:12

It's not a battery

D Danielle Maxwell 24:13

A children's toy

D Dan Maggio 24:14

Is it related to music?

M Matt Mio 24:16

It is mildly related to music. I would say it's majorly related to music

D Danielle Maxwell 24:22

From minor to major, wow. Okay

D

Dave Chow 24:25

A jukebox?

M

Matt Mio 24:26

I had to fill out a change of major form. No, um -

D

Danielle Maxwell 24:29

(Laughs)

M

Mara Livezey 24:30

It's where you like play a cassette from?

M

Matt Mio 24:31

I mean, you're all in the zone.

S

Stephen Manning 24:33

A boombox.

M

Matt Mio 24:34

You're all in the zone. So that was the first branded name of the commercially available karaoke machine in the United States. Didn't your

D

Dave Chow 24:42

Didn't your parents have one of those?

D Danielle Maxwell 24:44

We do have a karaoke business. Yes, we do not have a sparkle box.

D Dave Chow 24:47

Not yet.

M Matt Mio 24:48

Why not?

D Danielle Maxwell 24:49

I don't think it would perform that well.

M Mara Livezey 24:51

Too old, maybe?

D Danielle Maxwell 24:52

Yeah, the acoustics probably aren't that great.

M Matt Mio 24:54

Oh my gosh.

D Danielle Maxwell 24:55

Spark-o-box

M

Matt Mio 24:57

A sparkobox.

D

Danielle Maxwell 24:59

Whenever you want to do ATP karaoke, I got you.

D

Dave Chow 25:13

No. Couldn't carry a tune if it had handles on it.

D

Danielle Maxwell 25:16

We know one person here can sing. We'll just make him sing the whole time.

M

Matt Mio 25:16

What?

D

Danielle Maxwell 25:16

Karaoke

M

Matt Mio 25:16

Oh, you think I can sing?

M

Matt Mio 25:17

I mean, I've told it to you, but -

D Danielle Maxwell 25:17

We've never heard it.

M Mara Livezey 25:17

We have heard you.

D Danielle Maxwell 25:17

We know you can sing. We've heard - or at least you've told us before.

M Matt Mio 25:18

I tried to do Yankee Doodle -

M Mara Livezey 25:20

There was a Chem Club talent show.

D Danielle Maxwell 25:22

I was not at the talent show. So I think we need to redo that.

M Matt Mio 25:27

We probably need to redo that. Professors, we have just a couple minutes left, so I'm trying to think of -

M Matt Mio 25:34

(Laughs) What was that sound? You turned into like an ancient Scottish Highlander or something. So I don't quite know, you know, we don't have any, uh -

D

Dave Chow 25:35

Ahkk!

D

Danielle Maxwell 25:46

Do we have any Imponderables.

M

Matt Mio 25:49

Imonderables. We've done them all, which is great, because Frank, I mean, we'd love to actually see a few more of those. They've sent us those 20 or \$100,000 pyramid things

D

Dave Chow 26:01

Oh no.

D

Danielle Maxwell 26:02

Oh no.

D

Dave Chow 26:02

Dan wasn't around for that one.

D

Dan Maggio 26:02

Really?

M

Matt Mio 26:02

They're very difficult.

D Dave Chow 26:02

Yeah

M Matt Mio 26:02

So, Dan, you're familiar with the gameshow?

D Dan Maggio 26:02

Yeah.

H Heather Hill 26:02

so we're not gonna do them.

M Matt Mio 26:09

Well, no, in the time that we have left.

H Heather Hill 26:12

Oh, I see.

M Matt Mio 26:14

So, if I was looking at you, Dan, and I was, as they say, the giver, and I said Twix, Milky Way, Snickers -

D Dan Maggio 26:16

Candy bars?

M

Matt Mio 26:18

Reese's

D

Dan Maggio 26:19

Halloween candy?

M

Matt Mio 26:23

Halloween candy. There we go. So you remember, the Burroughs family challenged us to have me go to every member with a different like thing and see if we can get all the way around the table -

D

Danielle Maxwell 26:37

and there was a time limit.

M

Matt Mio 26:38

Yes, there was a serious time limit. I don't think we can do it in the few seconds that we have left.

D

Dave Chow 26:43

Oh, it's only a 60-second gig, right? Isn't it?

D

Danielle Maxwell 26:43

We're all sugared up. We've got to wait until we're in the right mindset.

M

Matt Mio 26:48

Yeah, I think we'll, we'll do this as a separate show, because some of these are-

M

Mara Livezey 26:53

Too hard.

M

Matt Mio 26:53

Wow. I mean, they're not even hard. It's just -

D

Danielle Maxwell 26:56

We need to study before -

D

Dave Chow 26:58

Do we need to, like, get the straps for Matt to put his hands around, so he doesn't flail?

M

Matt Mio 27:01

I really need to study.

M

Matt Mio 27:02

Absolutely, absolutely.

D

Dave Chow 27:04

We don't need Dick Clark hitting the buzzer on him.

M

Matt Mio 27:05

Some of these are very general too, and it's just sort of like "What Prasad Venugopal might say". We already did that one.

D Danielle Maxwell 27:17

We did that one. I told him. He had the biggest smile on his face. I went downstairs and I was like, "We recorded an ATP episode, and you were the subject (Laughs)

M Matt Mio 27:23

"Really? What was it like?"

D Danielle Maxwell 27:24

And that's what he said. "What was the question?"

M Matt Mio 27:26

"Which episode?" What Prasad Venugopal might say. I thought I did a pretty good job. I had him reading the contract out loud.

D Dave Chow 27:31

I should show you the caricature I did of him recently.

D Danielle Maxwell 27:33

Oh yes, please. I want to hang up on his door.

M Matt Mio 27:37

Professors, I'm so sorry. Our time is up, and the time has come to say goodbye. Heather

H Heather Hill 27:43

Bye, bye.

M

Matt Mio 27:44

Stephen

S

Stephen Manning 27:44

Bye.

M

Matt Mio 27:45

Dan

D

Dan Maggio 27:45

Goodbye.

M

Matt Mio 27:46

Dave

D

Dave Chow 27:47

See ya

M

Matt Mio 27:47

What's your name again? Winifred.

M

Matt Mio 27:50

(Laughs) Happy Halloween

M

Matt Mio 27:53

and Wednesday.

M

Mara Livezey 27:54

Boo.

M

Matt Mio 27:55

And now these words

M

Michael Jayson 27:57

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Matt Mio 28:07

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