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John

Categories

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Money	Beer Me	What about Bob?
Power	Winers Don't do Drugs	Before and after names
Women	sugar, spice + everything nice	Aman-duh
Mystery	Mystery theme	Mystery with bonus

Results

Rank	Team	1	2	3	Final
1	On the Edge	17	21	20	58
2	Tony, Toni, Tone	17	21	19	57
	The Three Stooges	18	20	19	57
4	Serving Up Answers	18	19	19	56
5	The Good the Bad and the Ugly	17	19	19	55
6	3rd Wheel	17	17	20	54
7	Middle Child	16	18	19	53
8	Out on Pardon	17	18	17	52
9	The Clawstrophonics	14	17	12	43
10	Eggings	16	18	11	45
11	Lactose Intoxicate	16	15	12	43
12	Team YMCA	11	17	14	42
13	Josh's Team	16	15	10	41
14	John's Belles	13	13	8	34
15	???				--
AVERAGE		15.9	17.7	15.6	49.3

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Category 1 - Money

1. what is the term used for currencies that are completely digital or virtual
2. An Italian Bank - Banco Emiliano - will accept giant wheels of this type of cheese as collateral to secure a personal loan for farmers
3. You can find the value of this neutral currency on the TSX under the ticker symbol FXF
4. In what year did Canada cease printing the \$1000 bill?
5. Of the 2 Scandinavian member countries in the EU, this one is able to officially opt out of converting to the Euro due to a negotiation in a 1992 treaty. Name the country.

Category 2 - Power

6. Multiple Choice: According to Ontario Power Generation, the Darlington Nuclear Power Station is Ontario's largest; producing about 1/5 of Ontario's electricity needs. What is it's daily output capacity: | 350 MW | 3,500 MW | 35,000 MW | 1.21 Gigawatts
7. Finish this famous quote from a letter Lord Acton wrote in 1887: "Power tends to corrupt, but absolute power ... blank blank" (2 words)
8. In the Spider Man universe, which character is usually credited for giving young Peter Parker the following sage advice: "With great power comes great responsibility"?
9. The Mighty Morphin Power Rangers - one of the most successful Japanese entertainment franchises - had 5 main heroes, each a different colour: black, blue, red, yellow and ... what was the 5th power ranger's colour?
10. In the Star Wars Universe, midi-chlorians are microscopic intelligent life forms that reside within the cells of all living organisms. This gives Jedi knights the power to manipulate this

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Category 3 - Women

initials of answers will spell WOMAN - some answers will have 1st and last name, only use one of the init. Eg if answer is german chemist Wilhem Ostwald, only W or O

11. This author is a Canadian icon and famous for her 1985 dystopian novel The Handmaid's Tale and its sequel The Testaments
12. This woman recently (sept 2024) bought the rights to a documentary produced by AppleTV+ about her (for an undisclosed amount) in order to shelve it because - some sources say - it wasn't, "to her liking". Must be nice to be one of America's richest female celebrities
13. Just Say No was a slogan and campaign championed by this First Lady who came between Rosalynn Carter and Barbara Bush
14. Jenna Ortega was nominated for agolden globe, Emmy and SAG award for playing this morbid character from a creepy, kooky, mysterious and spooky family. Name the character she played
15. This English singer/songwriter has released 4 studio albums, usually titled with a single number - her age at the time that she wrote the songs

Category 4 - Mystery without bonus

16. This man was the Prime Minister of the UK from 1997 to 2007.
17. Legend has it that the characters this actor played were always named after him because producers didn't have faith that he would answer to other names! He co-starred in Taxi from 1978-1983 and then Who's the Boss from 1984-1992.
18. Amusia, or the inability to recognize familiar melodies or out-of tune notes is known more commonly as this.
19. This artist won a Grammy in 1997 for her song un-break my heart
20. The award for Excellence in Broadway Theatre, is more commonly known as what?

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Category 5 - Beer Me

21. In 1882 Frederick Pabst started tying these to the necks of his beer bottles. These days they are just printed on the cans and bottle labels directly.
22. The frothy foam on the top of the beer is also known by this anatomical name.
23. Red Stripe brand lager - sold in stubby brown bottles - originated on this island nation in 1934.
24. A growler - named for the noise it makes when CO₂ escapes when uncapped - is still used by some microbreweries to transport draft beer for home. It holds 4 pints worth of beer or this many fluid ounces
25. Pilsner was developed in 1842 in the city of Pilsen in this present day European Country

Category 6 - Winers Don't do Drugs

26. What type of wine is typically packaged in bottles with straw-wrapped bottoms? According to Hannibal Lector it pairs very well with human liver and Fava beans.
27. This person is a wine expert who curates wine lists, recommends food and wine pairings, and advises guests on wine selections based on their food choices. Sorel Mime is an anagram of the French word. FYI there are other acceptable answers.
28. The 2 best makers of Cabernet Sauvignon are Napa Valley in the US and this French city, where it is thought to originate. Its name translates to maroon or burgundy in English and is located in the south of France on the Garonne River
29. The F#\$% Catalina Wine Mixer sounds like a wine tasting party, but is actually a helicopter leasing event made up in this 2008 film starring Will Ferrell and John C. Reilly. Did they just become best friends? Yup!
30. Wine is usually aged in casks. A person trained to make wooden casks, barrels, vats, buckets, etc. is called this. I wonder if they used to make hockey equipment in the 70's and 80's too

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Category 7 - sugar, spice + everything nice

31. This legume is the primary ingredient in the Middle Eastern dish falafel.
 32. According to the USDA these 2 countries (one in S. America and one in Asia) accounted for over 40% of the world's sugar cane production in 2024. Worth 2 points if you can name them both
- Bonus: One point for each
33. Which spice is derived from the Crocus flower and is one of the most expensive spices in the world?
 34. Marzipan is a confection commonly used to make small imitations of fruits and vegetables. What tree nut is used to create marzipan?
 35. The Waldorf Salad containing Celery, Grapes, Apples and Walnuts is so named because it was invented at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in 1893 in this city. The Art Deco landmark is still operational to this day... although temporarily closed for renovations until Spring of 2025

Category 8 - Mystery theme

36. This is the late Jimmy Buffett's number 1 hit about a fictional place... which then became a real place... that you can visit in Niagara Falls!
37. What woodwind instrument, often made of metal rather than wood, produces sound by blowing air across an opening rather than through a reed? Lizzo is famous for playing one that has its own IG account! 320K followers!
38. This is the nickname of American Wrestling Personality and Actor Dwayne Johnson.
39. This 20th century Nobel winning American author has written such classics as The Grapes of Wrath, East of Eden and The Pearl
40. You have this kind of wedding if the bride is already pregnant and her relatives think the groom is reluctant about marrying her

Bonus: What connects the previous 5 answers?

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Category 9 - What about Bob?

41. Bob Uecker is a retired baseball player who starred in this show about a suburban family in Pittsburgh with an English Butler. It aired from 1985-1990.
42. Between 1941 and 1991, this comedian and actor made 57 tours for the United Service Organizations (USO), entertaining military personnel around the world.
43. You know this 18th century Scottish poet's most famous work *Auld Lang Syne* as it's usually played on New Years Eve. He is celebrated every January 25 usually with a glass of scotch. *Slainte Mhath* (Slan gi'VAH) Name the poet.
44. Multiple choice: Bobby is a slang term for a member of London's Metropolitan Police derived from the name of Sir Robert Peel, who established the London police force in which century: 1600s, 1700s, 1800s or 1900s?

Bonus: point for the exact year.

45. Papa elf was 490 years old when he became master tinkerer in the classic movie *Elf*. In actuality, this actor was in his 70's when the movie was released in 2003

Category 10 - Before and after names

eg bison hunter William Frederick Cody's nickname, who played Dr. Venkman in ghostbusters. "Buffalo bill + Bill Murray"

46. The actor that played the T-1000 terminator who also played captain Jean-Luc Picard?
47. One of the greatest basketball players of all time who writes and directs award winning movies like *Get Out* and *US*
48. Fictional female teenage sleuth who started her career as a child actor in *ET*
49. The 1980's "King of Pop" who became an abstract expressionist using the "drip method" to paint canvases in the 1940's and 50's
50. American cowboy actor nicknamed the Duke who became known as Mr Las Vegas after beginning performances there in 1963

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Category 11 - Aman-duh

51. Amanda Seyfried starred as Sophie in this 2008 musical film which was based on the 1999 musical show, which was based on the 1970s songs of the pop group ABBA
52. Amanda Krueger is the fictional mother of the razor-gloved villain Freddy in this horror franchise
53. In this show - the longest running American animated series - the main character used to prank call Moe's tavern and ask to speak to individuals like Ivana Tinkle and Amanda Hugginkiss. Can I get Amanda Hugginkiss? Why can't I find Amanda Hugginkiss? Name the show.
54. This actress starred in the sketch comedy shows *All That* and *The Amanda Show*. She later played lead roles in movies like *She's the Man* and *What a Girl Wants*. Name the actress
55. Amanda Seyfried played the ditzy blonde Karen in the 2004 movie *Mean Girls* whose special talent was having this part of her body that could tell when it was about to rain. "It's like she had ESP or something" what was the psychic body part?

Category 12 - Mystery with bonus

56. What author was famous for writing *Gulliver's Travels*
57. What is a baby kangaroo called?
58. In what river was Jesus baptized?
59. This 4'10" actor has played such roles as taxi dispatcher Louie DePalma, the villainous penguin, Arnold Schwarzenegger's twin brother and more recently, Frank Reynolds in *It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia*
60. Johnny Depp played this character in a 1997 based-on-a-true-story movie of an FBI agent who goes deep undercover to infiltrate the New York Mafia

Bonus: What connects the previous 5 answers?

Answers Round 1

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	Difficulty
1. cryptocurrencies	7.1%
2. Parmesan	0.0%
3. Swiss Franc - must have Franc	57.1%
4. 2000	85.7%
5. Denmark	71.4%
6. 3,500 MW	78.6%
7. Corrupts absolutely	14.3%
8. Uncle Ben	7.1%
9. Pink	21.4%
10. The force	14.3%
11. Margaret Atwood	0.0%
12. Oprah Winfrey	0.0%
13. Nancy Reagan	0.0%
14. Wednesday	0.0%
15. Adele	7.1%
16. (Anthony) Tony Blair	14.3%
17. Tony Danza	14.3%
18. tone deafness / musical deafness	0.0%
19. Toni Braxton	14.3%
20. Tony award or Antoinette Perry award	0.0%

Answers Round 2

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	Difficulty
21. Blue Ribbon	28.6%
22. Head (or Collar)	0.0%
23. Jamaica	7.1%
24. 64	35.7%
25. Czech Republic	71.4%
26. Chianti	14.3%
27. Sommelier or Wine Steward or Wine Waiter	0.0%
28. Bordeaux	42.9%
29. Step Brothers	14.3%
30. Cooper; hooper is also acceptable	50.0%
31. Chickpeas	7.1%
32. Brazil and India	14.3%
Bonus: Brazil and India	64.3%
33. Saffron	0.0%
34. Almonds	7.1%
35. New York City	21.4%
36. Margaritaville	7.1%
37. Flute (Lizzo's is named Sasha)	0.0%
38. The Rock	0.0%
39. John Steinbeck	14.3%
40. Shotgun wedding	0.0%
Bonus: Drinking vessels	28.6%

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	Difficulty
41. Mr Belvedere	42.9%
42. Bob Hope	35.7%
43. Robbie Burns	35.7%
44. 1800s	64.3%
Bonus: 1829	100.0%
45. Bob Newhart	42.9%
46. Robert Patrick Stewart	78.6%
47. Michael Jordan Peele	14.3%
48. Nancy Drew Barrymore	7.1%
49. Michael Jackson Pollock	7.1%
50. John Wayne Newton	35.7%
51. Mamma Mia!	0.0%
52. Nightmare on Elm Street	14.3%
53. The Simpsons	0.0%
54. Amanda Bynes	7.1%
55. *breasts/chest/boobs	14.3%
56. Johnathan Swift	50.0%
57. Joey	0.0%
58. Jordan River	7.1%
59. Danny DeVito	0.0%
60. Donnie Brasco	35.7%
Bonus: New Kids on the Block names	42.9%

Game Stats

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Category	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Avg difficulty	44.3%	27.1%	1.4%	8.6%	28.6%	24.3%	19.0%	8.3%	53.6%	28.6%	7.1%	22.6%

Round	1	2	3
Avg difficulty	20.4%	19.5%	28.9%

Question difficulty	Easy (0-33%)	Medium (34-66%)	Hard (67-100%)
% of game	68.8%	21.9%	9.4%

Extreme Questions	Everyone got it	No one got it
% of game	26.6%	1.6%

General Categories	ART	CUL	ENT	GAM	GEO	HIS	LIT	MIX	MUS	NAT	SCI	SPO
Asked	1	22	26	0	9	5	6	27	7	4	2	0
% of game	1.6%	34.4%	40.6%	0.0%	14.1%	7.8%	9.4%	42.2%	10.9%	6.3%	3.1%	0.0%
Avg difficulty	7.1%	28.2%	22.8%	--	37.5%	52.9%	19.0%	18.8%	10.2%	3.6%	39.3%	--

Team size (players)	1	2	3	4	4+	TTL teams (TTL players)
# of teams	--	1	4	7	3	15 (58)
Avg score	--	41	53.5	51.3	38	49.3