

Early Release Introductory Set (ERIS)

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Extras

Tossups:

1. **According to legend, a black counterpart to this structure was meant to be built near it across the Yamuna River. A long rectangular pool is in front of this structure, which includes four minaret towers on its corners. This structure in the city of (*)** Agra was built by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan for his wife Mumtaz. For 10 points, name this large, white Indian mausoleum.

ANSWER: the **Taj Mahal** <Kher, Geography>

2. **This document was the subject of the Virginia and New Jersey plans, which were eventually combined by the Connecticut Compromise. This document replaced the Articles of Confederation, and its first article describes the (*)** powers and structure of Congress. The Bill of Rights makes up the first ten amendments to, for 10 points, what fundamental American legal document?

ANSWER: the **Constitution** of the United States <Thompson, History>

3. **This is the number of elements in the smallest non-cyclic group. A hypercube in this many dimensions is also known as a tesseract. The regular polyhedron with the fewest faces has this many faces. The surface area of a (*)** sphere is equal to this number times pi times the radius squared.

Tetrahedrons have, for 10 points, what number of faces which is also the number of sides of a trapezoid?

ANSWER: **four** <Thompson, Mathematics>

4. **New York Governor Nelson Rockefeller deployed the National Guard to stop the Attica Riots at one of these places. Native American activists staged a 19-month-long occupation of a closed one of these places, which was located on an island in (*)** San Francisco Bay and notoriously hard to escape. For 10 points, Alcatraz was a historic one of what locations where criminals are detained?

ANSWER: **prisons** [accept obvious synonyms like **jails**] <Kher, History>

5. **A sequel to this game was announced in August 2020 but cancelled just a month later. To encourage voting, Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez streamed this game on Twitch. This game, which was developed by Innersloth, features the maps "Polus" and "The Skeld." Players may sneak through (*)** vents to avoid being caught in, for 10 points, what popular game in which players vote out "Impostors"?

ANSWER: **Among Us** <Kher, Popular Culture>

Bonuses:

1. Armand Aubigny finds out he is black at the end of this author's story "Desiree's Baby". For 10 points each:
[10] Name this American author who also wrote about Edna Pontellier drowning herself in *The Awakening*.

ANSWER: Kate **Chopin**

[10] Chopin's stories are often set in this southern U.S. state and frequently feature creole characters. Her story collection *Bayou Folk* is named for this state's bayous.

ANSWER: **Louisiana**

[10] Chopin's novel *At Fault* takes place in this largest city in Louisiana, known for its colorful Mardi Gras celebrations.

ANSWER: **New Orleans** <Young, Literature>

2. A crowd that gathered outside this business included a man dressed in underwear who shouted "George Soros" repeatedly at Biden supporters. For 10 points each:

[10] Name this Northeast Philadelphia business where the Trump campaign bizarrely gave a November 7th press conference about alleged election fraud, sparking speculation that it was chosen by accident because it shares its name with a high-end hotel.

ANSWER: **Four Seasons** Total Landscaping [be generous and accept any answers containing **Four Seasons** and the word **landscaping**]

[10] Biden's win in Pennsylvania represented part of a Democratic resurgence in the Midwest. Name either of the two other Midwestern states which flipped from voting for Trump in 2016 to voting for Biden in 2020.

ANSWERS: **Michigan** OR **Wisconsin**

[10] Also in Michigan, Gary Peters narrowly defeated challenger John James to be elected to this legislative body. Democrats Mark Kelly and John Hickenlooper were also elected to this body in 2020, and it consists of two members from each state who serve six-year terms.

ANSWER: the United States **Senate** <Thompson, Current Events>