

2026 BISHOP GARRIGAN QUIZ BOWL TOURNAMENT

GAME 2

TOSS-UP ROUND

Question 1

The country with the most pyramids in the world is not Egypt or Mexico. Instead it is a country where two rivers combine to form the main stream of the Nile River. For ten points, what country has the most pyramids in the world.

ANSWER: Sudan

Question 2

For ten points, what color is the element sulfur at room temperature?

ANSWER: yellow

Question 3

For ten points, the game we now call chess was first played about 1,500 years ago in what modern-day country?

ANSWER: India

Question 4

It has been reported that when Jimmy Boyd first released this secular Christmas song in 1952, religious groups condemned it on the grounds that it described an adulterous encounter and promoted infidelity in married life. For ten points, name this holiday song.

ANSWER: "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus"

Question 5

For ten points, Beethoven's Eroica Symphony, or Symphony Number 3 in E-flat major, was originally dedicated to what European leader?

ANSWER: Napoleon Bonaparte (accept either "Napoleon" or "Bonaparte")

Question 6

With their "Freeze 'Em All" show in 2013, this American band became the first musical act to perform on all seven continents. Among the songs they performed in Antarctica were "For Whom the Bell Tolls", "Seek and Destroy", and "Enter Sandman". For ten points, name this band.

ANSWER: Metallica

Question 7

For ten points, in what organ of the human body would you find the mitral valve, the pulmonary valve, the tricuspid valve, and the aortic valve?

ANSWER: heart

Question 8

For ten points, how many strings does a standard violin have?

ANSWER: 4

Question 9

For ten points, the name of what type of dinosaur includes the Latin word for "king"?

ANSWER: tyrannosaurus rex ("rex" is the Latin word for king)

Question 10

For ten points, is cold air lighter, heavier, or the same weight as hot air?

ANSWER: heavier

Question 11

The name of this element comes from the Greek name for the moon. It can appear as a brick red powder, a vitreous black solid, or a grey metal. For ten points, name this element with atomic number 34.

ANSWER: selenium

Question 12

This major American city lies on the Trinity River. The city's skyline features the Reunion Tower, and the city is also home to the George Bush Presidential Center. For ten points, name this city whose attractions include Dealy Plaza.

ANSWER: Dallas

Question 13

Polenta is a common dish best known in Italian cuisine. While this mush or paste can be made from buckwheat or barley, for ten points polenta is most commonly made from what grain?

ANSWER: corn OR maize

Question 14

"It was a bright, cold day in April, and the clocks were striking thirteen." For ten points, this is the first line of what landmark 20th Century book?

ANSWER: 1984

Question 15

The phase of deep sleep where dreams occur is often referred to as REM sleep. For ten points, what do the "R", "E", and "M" stand for in REM sleep?

ANSWER: rapid eye movement

Question 16

For ten points, the musical *West Side Story* is a modern take on which of Shakespeare's plays?

ANSWER: *Romeo and Juliet*

Question 17

This drink is made with tequila, orange juice, and grenadine, though a virgin version can substitute white grape juice for the tequila. The specific gravity of the ingredients causes them to create colored layers of orange and red that give the drink its name. For ten points name this cocktail.

ANSWER: tequila sunrise

Question 18

This is the only bird that is part of the Chinese zodiac. For ten points, name this animal that will next be celebrated in the Chinese calendar in the year 2029.

ANSWER: rooster (ask for more information on “chicken”)

Question 19

For ten points, spell the word for a clockwork device used in music to produce audible clicks that count a specific number of beats per minute and keep musicians playing in time.

ANSWER: M – E – T – R – O – N – O – M – E

Question 20

In the 272 area code, this phone number leads to a cancer support hotline. In the 312 area code it goes to a radio contest line, and in the 970 area code it connects to a 1980s-themed pizza parlor. In many other area codes people have asked that their phone numbers be changed after receiving prank calls asking for “Jenny”. For ten points, give this phone number that was featured in a 1982 song by Tommy Tutone.

ANSWER: 867-5309

Question 21

In the United States, the conflict that America was involved with in the 1960s is referred to as the Vietnam War. For ten points, by what name is this war referred to in Vietnam?

ANSWER: American War

Question 22

The Easy Bake Oven debuted on November 4, 1963, and since then more than 40 million have been sold by Kenner and Hasbro. Today Easy Bake Ovens use sealed electric heating elements. For ten points, before 2003 what was used to cook snacks made in Easy Bake Ovens.

ANSWER: (incandescent) light bulb(s)

Question 23

Examples of this type of word are “smog”, “dumbfounded”, and “infotainment”. Such words combine meanings and parts of the sound of two different words. The term for the type of word was coined by Lewis Carroll and comes from a French term for a matching set of luggage. For ten points, name this type of word.

ANSWER: portmanteau

Question 24

In 2025 this former President posthumously became the oldest person ever to win a Grammy award. The award was for the audio version of his book *Last Sunday in Plains: A Centennial Celebration*. For ten points, name this President who died at age 100 shortly before the 2025 Grammys were announced.

ANSWER: Jimmy (or James Earl) **Carter**

Question 25

For ten points, what Phrygian (FRIDGE-ee-un) king is remembered in Greek and Roman mythology for turning everything he touched into gold?

ANSWER: King **Midas**

(Continue to the bonus round.)

BONUS ROUND

(Each correctly answered toss-up earns the team the right to answer the corresponding bonus.)

Toss-Up 26

Its average surface temperature is 464 degrees Celsius or 867 degrees Fahrenheit. For ten points, name the hottest planet in the solar system.

ANSWER: Venus

Bonus 26

Many people think of Kansas as a flat, boring state, and in fact studies have shown that the terrain of Kansas is flatter than a pancake. However six other states are flatter than Kansas. Three of these states are in the Midwest, one is in the mid-Atlantic region, and two are in the south. For five points each, name any five of the six flattest states in the United States.

ANSWER: **Delaware** (5 points each for up to 5 correct answers)
 Florida
 Illinois
 Louisiana
 Minnesota
 North Dakota

Toss-Up 27

For ten points, notorious gangster Al Capone was convicted and sent to prison in 1931 for what crime?

ANSWER: tax evasion

Bonus 27

For five points each, tell what airline has its major hubs in these cities.

Part 1

What airline has hubs in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Denver, Houston, Chicago, Washington, and Newark?

ANSWER: United

Part 2

What airline has hubs in Charlotte, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Dallas, Chicago, and Los Angeles?

ANSWER: American

Part 3

What airline has hubs in Salt Lake City, Minneapolis, Atlanta, Detroit, Seattle, Los Angeles, and Boston?

ANSWER: Delta

Part 4

What airline has its only major hub at John F. Kennedy airport in New York?

ANSWER: Jet Blue

Part 5

What airline has no true hubs, but has its biggest operations in Phoenix, Orlando, Baltimore—Washington International Airport, and Dallas Love Field?

ANSWER: Southwest

Toss-Up 28

A 2026 study identified the ten most iconic paintings in history. The #1 artwork on this list was a painting by Leonardo da Vinci that is also known as *La Gioconda* (gee-un-CON-duh). For ten points, give the common English name of this painting.

ANSWER: *Mona Lisa*

Bonus 28

For five points each, give the common English names of these other artworks that are among the ten most iconic paintings in history.

Part 1

Emotionally expressive 1893 painting by Norwegian artist Edvard Munch (moonk)

ANSWER: *The **Scream***

Part 2

Sandro Botticelli work showing the goddess of love and beauty rising from the sea

ANSWER: *The **Birth of Venus***

Part 3

1889 Vincent Van Gogh painting showing the view from his room at a mental hospital

ANSWER: ***Starry Night***

Part 4

1665 work by Dutch master Johannes Vermeer called “the Mona Lisa of the North”

ANSWER: ***Girl with a Pearl Earring***

Part 5

1931 surrealist work by Salvador Dali depicting melting clocks

ANSWER: *The **Persistence of Memory***

Toss-Up 29

For ten points, the Baroque movement in music and art is primarily associated with which century?

ANSWER: 18th Century OR 1700s

Bonus 29

For five points each, identify the U.S. President to whom each of these quotations is attributed.

Part 1

"The only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

ANSWER: Franklin Delano Roosevelt OR FDR (prompt on "Roosevelt")

Part 2

"We can disagree without being disagreeable."

ANSWER: Gerald Ford

Part 3

"There's not a liberal America and a conservative America. There's the United States of America."

ANSWER: Barack Obama

Part 4

"Folks are usually about as happy as they make up their minds to be."

ANSWER: Abraham Lincoln

Part 5

"I had always hoped that this land might become a safe and agreeable asylum to the virtuous and persecuted, to whatever nation they might belong "

ANSWER: George Washington

Toss-Up 30

For ten points, since the reclassification of Pluto in 2006, which is the smallest planet in the solar system?

ANSWER: Mercury

Bonus 30

Answer these questions about nations whose people have gone into space.

Part 1

For five points, what country was the first to put a person into space?

ANSWER: Soviet Union OR U.S.S.R. (prompt on "Russia")

Part 2

For five points, in what year did both Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin and American astronaut Alan Shepard first go into space?

ANSWER: 1961

Part 3

By 1982 ten different countries had sent people into space. For five points each, besides the Soviet Union and the U.S.A., name any three of the first countries to send people into space.

ANSWER: **Bulgaria** (5 points each for up to 3 correct answers)
 Cuba
 Czechoslovakia
 France
 East Germany
 Hungary
 Poland
 Vietnam

Toss-Up 31

For ten points, what type of building found on a college campus is an anagram of “dirty room”.

ANSWER: dormitory

Bonus 31

For five points each, would each of these animals be classified as a bird, an insect, a fish, a reptile, an amphibian, or a mammal?

Part 1

mongoose

ANSWER: mammal

Part 2

scarab

ANSWER: insect

Part 3

titmouse

ANSWER: bird

Part 4

olm

ANSWER: amphibian

Part 5

royal gramma

ANSWER: fish

Toss-Up 32

The country that shares the longest land border with France is not Spain or Germany or Belgium. In fact it is not anywhere in Europe. For ten points, what South American country that borders the overseas territory of French Guiana has the world's longest land border with France?

ANSWER: Brazil

Bonus 32

For five points each, identify the color of ribbon that is used to promote awareness of each of these groups of things.

Part 1

heart disease, AIDS, stroke, and substance abuse awareness are all promoted by what color ribbon?

ANSWER: red

Part 2

traditionally breast cancer and now cancer in general are promoted by what color ribbon?

ANSWER: pink

Part 3

multiple sclerosis, hunger and malnutrition, and self-injury awareness are all promoted by what color ribbon?

ANSWER: orange

Part 4

men's health, autism, and fallen police officer awareness are promoted with what color ribbon?

ANSWER: blue

Part 5

suicide prevention, endometriosis, and support of military forces—particularly prisoners of war and those missing in action—are promoted with what color ribbon?

ANSWER: yellow

(Continue to the lightning round.)

LIGHTNING ROUND

CATEGORY A: 8-Letter Countries

I will say the capitals of ten nations of the world that have eight letters in their name. For ten points each, you name the countries. For example, if I said “Tegucigalpa” (tay-GOO-see-GALL-pah), you would say “Honduras”.

Question 1

Asunción (ah-SOON-see-OWN)

ANSWER: Paraguay

Question 2

Sofia

ANSWER: Bulgaria

Question 3

Kuala Lumpur (koo-AH-lah lum-POOR)

ANSWER: Malaysia

Question 4

Tarawa (TARE-uh-wah)

ANSWER: Kiribati (pronounced “KEER-uh-bass”, but accept any reasonable answer)

Question 5

Bangkok (BANG-cock)

ANSWER: Thailand

Question 6

Lisbon

ANSWER: Portugal

Question 7

Harare (huh-RAR-ray)

ANSWER: Zimbabwe (zim-BOB-way)

Question 8

Yaoundé (yah-OON-day)

ANSWER: Cameroon

Question 9

Bogotá (bo-go-TAH)

ANSWER: Colombia

Question 10

Bridgetown

ANSWER: Barbados

LIGHTNING ROUND

CATEGORY B: Next Element Up

I will name ten chemical elements. For ten points each, you name the element with the next higher chemical number. For example, if I said “hydrogen”, you would say “helium”.

Question 1

cobalt

ANSWER: nickel

Question 2

nitrogen

ANSWER: oxygen

Question 3

cesium

ANSWER: barium

Question 4

sodium

ANSWER: magnesium

Question 5

gold

ANSWER: mercury

Question 6

iron

ANSWER: cobalt

Question 7

copper

ANSWER: zinc

Question 8

uranium

ANSWER: neptunium

Question 9

titanium

ANSWER: vanadium

Question 10

potassium

ANSWER: calcium

LIGHTNING ROUND

CATEGORY C: Missouri

I will ask ten questions about Iowa's neighbor to the south. For ten points each, answer the questions. For example, if I said, "What is Missouri's largest city?", you would say "Kansas City".

Question 1

What is the capital of Missouri?

ANSWER: Jefferson City

Question 2

What is the nickname of teams from the University of Missouri—Columbia?

ANSWER: Tigers

Question 3

What restaurant chain founded in Missouri is known as St. Louis Bread Company in that state?

ANSWER: Panera Bread

Question 4

Who was the only U.S. President from Missouri?

ANSWER: Harry Truman

Question 5

What St. Louis brewery is the nation's largest?

ANSWER: Anheuser—Busch (prompt on "Budweiser" or "Busch")

Question 6

What famous author grew up in Hannibal, Missouri?

ANSWER: Mark Twain OR Samuel Clemens

Question 7

What is Missouri's only national park?

ANSWER: Gateway Arch National Park

Question 8

Name either of the two reservoirs that are the largest lakes in Missouri

ANSWER: Truman Reservoir OR Lake of the Ozarks

Question 9

What lemon-lime soft drink was invented in Missouri in 1929?

ANSWER: 7—Up

Question 10

A world's fair and the Olympics were both held in St. Louis in what year?

ANSWER: 1904