Delaware Winter Invitational, 2010 Literature packet by Mark Pellegrini Tossups

1) In 2002 Lisa Fielder wrote a novel retelling the story from this character's point of view, as did Rebecca Reisert in 2003. In the fifth act, the cleric argues that this character should be buried in unsanctified ground, because her death was probably a suicide. In the fourth act, Gertrude announces that after climbing a willow tree the branch she was standing on broke and that she fell into a nearby brook and drowned. Daughter of Polonius and brother Laertes, this is for ten points what lover of Hamlet? ANSWER: Ophelia

2) This work offended Interior secretary James Harlan, who had the author fired. John Greenleaf Whittier allegedly threw his copy of this work into a fire. *Starting from Paumanok* is the first poem in this collection, whose preface describes the United States as the greatest poem of all. The author self-financed the first edition, and revised it every few years until the 1892 "death-bed" edition. *Pioneers! O Pioneers!* was included in the first edition, and *When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd* was added in later editions. *I Sing the Body Electric* and *Song of Myself* are part of, for ten points, what collection of poetry by Walt Whitman? ANSWER: Leaves of Grass

3) This work begins with people rehearsing 'The Rules of the Game,' but they are interrupted by the arrival of the titular characters. The Stepdaughter wants a scene in which the Father attempts to seduce her, but the manager vetoes that idea, saying it will cause the audience to riot. Subtitled *A Comedy in the Making*, this play ends with the Son committing suicide and the manager dismissing the titular characters. Written by Luigi Pirandello, this is for ten points what play about unfinished characters looking for an author to write their story? ANSWER: <u>Six Characters in Search of an Author</u> (Accept: <u>Sei personaggi in cerca</u> <u>d'autore</u>)

4) Victoria Ocampo wrote an essay about this author "on the Banks of the River Plata." He was knighted in 1915, but renounced the knighthood four years later. He took up painting at the age of 70, but all of the works he donated to the National Gallery of Berlin were destroyed in the Nazi purge of degenerate art. An accomplished musician, he wrote the national anthems of both India and Bangladesh. His plays include *The King of the Dark Chamber* and *Red Oleanders*, while his novels include *Gora* and *Shesher Kobita*. This is for ten points what Indian author of *Gitanjali* ["Gee-tahn-jolly"]? ANSWER: Rabindranath Tagore

5) One story by this author is about Conradin, a young boy who invents a religion centering around a ferret. In another story by this author, a mother gives her children peace toys - action figures of John Stuart Mill, poet Felicia Hemans, and astronomer John Hershel - only to have the children repaint them and use them for war games. The best known story by this author of *Sredni Vashtar* and *The Toys of Peace* centers on Georg Znaeym and Ulrich von Gradwitz, who are trapped under a fallen tree branch, only to realize that the rescue party is

really a pack of wolves. This author of *The Interlopers* is, for ten points, what short-story writer whose shares his pen-name with rice wine? ANSWER: <u>Saki</u> (Accept: Hector Hugh <u>Munro</u>)

6) A Boston Globe reviewer described the newly released fifth edition as "an aging zombie of a book, " and linguist Geoffrey Pullum criticized it as "the book that ate America's brain." The first edition was published in 1918, while later editions were revised by the author's student. Dorothy Parker quipped that the second-best thing you can do for an aspiring writer is give them a copy of this book, which discourages use of the passive voice, split infinitives, and use of the word "which" in a restrictive clause. Written by a Cornell Professor and later revised by the author of *Charlotte's Web*, this is for ten points what best-selling guide to writing written by Strunk and White?

#### ANSWER: The Elements of Style

(According to Parker, the best thing you can do for an aspiring writer is to shoot them now, while they are happy)

7) In one poem, he invoked Mother Earth to "breathe thine influence most divine on thine own child", while in another he wrote of a titular fairy who steals Ianthe's soul and brings it to her heavenly palace. That author of the *Song of Proserpine* and *Queen Mab* also penned a poem describing the titular object as "yellow, and black, and pale and hectic red.". This romantic poet is, for ten points, what author of *Ode to the West Wind* and *Ozymandias*? ANSWER: <u>Percy Bysshe Shelley</u>

8) His Nobel prize acceptance speech is considered one of the greatest ever, but he was so drunk he later told John Steinbeck that he didn't remember a word of it. One story collection by this author focuses on Uncle Ike, Ike's family, and Ike's hunting, while another centers on Henry and his lover Charlotte, who dies during a botched abortion. This author of *Go Down*, *Moses* and *If I Forget Thee Jerusalem* wrote many works set in Yoknapatawpha ["Yok-nuh-puh-taw-fuh"] county. This is for ten points what author of *As I Lay Dying* and *The Sound and the Fury*? ANSWER: William Faulkner

9) Though illiterate and proud of it, this character keeps in touch with his wife Teresa by dictating letters to her. This character agrees to help the titular protagonist after the protagonist promises him governorship of an island. Later, when they encounter the impostor dukes, he is made governor of the fictional island of Barataria. Irving Jacobson, Tony Martinez, and Ernie Sabella have played this character on Broadway, while James Coco and Bob Hoskins have both played this character in film. With a name meaning belly, this is for ten points what short, fat traveling companion of Don Quixote? ANSWER: Sancho Panza (Accept either)

10) The titular character of this work is forced to clean the guardhouse after he sleeps late. Other characters in this work are Kolya, a literature student working as a medic, and Alyosha, a baptist who hides a copy of the bible in the wall. This work is set in Karaganda, and centers on S-854, who is serving a ten year sentence for being a spy, although he was really a prisoner of war. Nikita Khrushchev personally approved publication of this novel because he thought it would aid his de-Stalinization efforts. Written by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, this is for ten points what fictional prison memoir about Ivan Denisovich ["Ee-vahn Den-ee-so-vich"]? ANSWER: <u>One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich</u>

11) The third book claims that evil cannot be a substance but is instead a conflict of interests, and describes *Hortensius*, a lost work by Cicero; the second book describes the theft of some pears, after which the author compares himself to Cataline. The author's mother Monica plays a central role in this autobiographical work, which describes the author's conversion from Manichaeism to Christianity. This is for ten points what best known work by Saint Augustine?

ANSWER: Confessions (Accept: The Confessions of St. Augustine)

12) One protagonist of this work is a coward and a deserter, while another admits to drowning her newborn while her lover watched. This work is set during the French Second Empire, and the mantle-piece is described as a "bronze atrocity by Barbedienne." The only minor character in this one-act play is the valet, who opens the play by leading one protagonist into a room, where that protagonist is joined by the two others. After chatting, Joseph Garcin soon realizes that his punishment is having to be with them. Garcin, Estelle, and Inez occupy a room in hell in, for ten points what existentialist play by John-Paul Sartre, whose most famous line is that "Hell is other people?"

ANSWER: No Exit (Accept Huis Clos)

13) This short story was first published in the 1835 collection *Mosses from an Old Manse*. Goody Cloyse is a minor character in this work, who taught catechism to the titular character, and Martha Carrier is described as a "rampant hag" who the Devil promises to make Queen of Hell. The titular character of this work dies gloomy and is buried in a tombstone with no hopeful markings. Written by Nathaniel Hawthorne, this is for ten points what short story about a Salem man who travels with the Devil to a meeting of witches and passes many of his neighbors along the way?

#### ANSWER: Young Goodman Brown

14) This author's experience in the Spanish Civil War turned him into an ardent Stalinist, culminating in 1953 when he was awarded the Stalin Peace Prize. While serving as a diplomat, he penned *Residence on Earth* and *Canto General*, whose second canto is *The Heights of Macchu Picchu*. While in Spain, he helped people escape from Franco, which inspired the collection *Spain in the Heart*. He was exiled from his home country from 1948 until 1952, but returned and became a close associate of Salvador Allende. This is for ten points what Chilean poet best known for *Twenty Love Poems and a Song of Despair*? ANSWER: Pablo <u>Neruda</u> (Accept: Neftali Ricardo Reyes <u>Basoalto</u>)

15) The protagonist of this novel spends his childhood dreaming of joining Napoleon's longdisbanded army. Book I ends badly for the protagonist, when the chambermaid Elisa exposes his affair with Madam de Renal. He is sent to a seminary, and later ends up as the secretary to a diplomat. In book II, he is part of a monarchist plot led by his employer, the Marquis de la Mole. He gets romantically involved with Matilde, the Marquis's daughter, and shoots Madam de Renal when she sabotages his marriage overtures. This coming-of-age story about Julien Sorel is, for ten points, what novel by Stendhal? ANSWER: The <u>Red and the Black</u>

16) Several authors have tried to forge additional sections to this work, including Francois Nodot and Jose Marchen. They can do this because only about one tenth of this work has survived, with both the beginning and ending lost. One major character is Ascyltus, a friend of one protagonist who tries to seduce another protagonist. All the while, Encolpius attempts to keep the 16-year-old slaveboy Giton faithful to him. The "Banquet of Trimalchio" is the longest surviving section of, for ten points, what work by Gaius Petronius Arbiter? Answer: The <u>Satyricon</u> or <u>Satyricon Liber</u> or <u>Book of Satyrlike Adventures</u>

17) Nazi authorities were unable to punish this author, who emigrated to the United States in 1939, so instead they had his sister beheaded. The movie *The Deer Hunter* is loosely based on this author's novel about three German World War I veterans who run a car-repair shop. Another novel by this author centers on Ravic, a German surgeon living in Paris in 1939. However, this author of *Three Comrades* and *Arch of Triumph* is best known for a novel about Paul Bäumer and his friends who are convinced by schoolmaster Kantorek to enlist. This is, for ten points, what author of *All Quiet on the Western Front*? ANSWER: Erich Maria **Remarque** 

18) The conical helices described in the first line of this poem are a reference to the author's earlier work *A Vision*, where he set out his cyclical theory of history. Written in response to World War I and the Russian Revolution, this poem was first published in 1921 in *Michael Robartes and the Dancer*. John Didion's essay collection *Slouching Towards Bethlehem* and Chinua Achebe's *Things Fall Apart* both get their titles from this poem, whose first line is "Turning and turning in the widening gyre." This is for ten points what best-known poem by William Butler Yeats?

ANSWER: The Second Coming

19) This term was coined by John Dryden, who first used it in his 1672 play *The Conquest* of Grenada. This concept was extensively used by Rousseau in Emile: or, On Education. The protagonists of Voltaire's in L'Ingénu, and of Chateaubriand's novels Rene, Atala and Les Natchez are all examples of this type of character. Better known ones are Uncas from The Leatherstocking Tales, Queequeg from Moby-Dick, and Friday from Robinson Crusoe. This literary archetype is, for ten points, what kind of pure, uncorrupted character who comes from a less civilized society?

ANSWER: <u>Noble savage</u>

20) *Conversations with Eternity*, a 1998 novel by John Chambers and this author, is one of many of this author's works published posthumously. His 1843 play *The Burgraves* flopped, and many people cite that flop as the end of French Romantic drama. Following the coup of 1851, this author went into exile on the island of Guernsey and published the pamphlets *Napoleon the Little* and *The History of a Crime*. However, he is better known works about a

convict seeking redemption and a disfigured bell-ringer. This is for ten points what author of *Les Miserables* and *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*? ANSWER: Victor Hugo

21) Ezra Pound's translation of this man's works introduced his work to western culture, and Gustav Mahler incorporated some of this poet's writings into *The Song of the Earth*. After a falling out with the empress, he became a heavy drinker, and frequently wrote about his love of alcohol, as in his poems *Self Abandonment*, *Sick Leave*, and *Drinking Alone Under the Moon*. One night while drunkenly trying to kiss his own reflection in the moon, he fell out of a boat and drowned. Dubbed the "Poet Immortal" and a rival of Du Fu, this is for ten points what Tang Dynasty poet?

Answer: Li Po or Li Bai or Taibai or Qinglian Jushi

22) **The 1989 play by this name was written by** Steven Berkoff. Berkoff's play is based on the novella of this name in which the protagonist goes through a life altering experience which causes his father to try to kill him. Gregor Samsa wakes up to find he's been transformed into a cockroach in, for ten points, what Franz Kafka work?

ANSWER: The Metamorphosis

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 Name some American World War I ambulance drivers turned writers for ten points each
 [10] *The 42nd Parallel, 1919*, and *The Big Money* comprise this author's *USA Trilogy*. ANSWER: John Dos <u>Passos</u>
 [10] This prolific poet who wrote *is 5* is known for not using capital letters
 ANSWER: E. E. <u>Cummings</u>
 [10] This Librarian of Congress is best known for his poem *Ars Poetica*.
 ANSWER: Archibald <u>MacLeish</u>

2) His plays include *The Birthday Party, The Homecoming*, and *Betrayal*. For ten points each [10] Who is this English dramatist who died in 2008?
ANSWER: Harold **Pinter**[10] In this Pinter play, two hitmen wait in a room for messages from the titular object.
ANSWER: The **Dumbwaiter**[10] Characters in this three-act Pinter play include Aston, a brain damaged man, Davies, a homeless guy, and Mick.
ANSWER: The **Caretaker**

3) Some of his lesser-known works include *The Island of the Day Before, Baudolino*, and *The Mysterious Flame of Queen Loana*. For ten points each
[10] Name this Italian author and academic
ANSWER: Umberto Eco
[10] Eco is known for his academic work in this field, which studies signs and communication ANSWER: Semiotics
[10] In this second Eco novel, three editors at a vanity publisher decide to invent their own conspiracy.

#### ANSWER: Foucault's Pendulum

4) This author of *The Garden of Forking Paths* and *Funes, his Memory* gained international fame when he won the Prix Formentor. For ten points each

[10] Name this Argentine writer.

ANSWER: Jorge Luis **Borges** 

[10] This 1940 Borges short story is about a conspiracy by intellectuals to create an imaginary world. By doing so, they begin to change things in the real world.

## ANSWER: Tlön, Uqbar, Orbis Tertius

[10] Tlön, Uqbar, Orbis Tertius was first published in this Argentine literary magazine whose name translates as "South." ANSWER: <u>Sur</u> ["Sore"]

5) In *Devotions upon Emergent Occasions*, he coined the phrases "No man is an island" and "for whom the bell tolls." For ten points each

[10] Who is this 17th century English poet?

## ANSWER: John Donne

[10] Today Donne's best remembered work is what sonnet which ends by stating that "Death, thou shalt die?"

## ANSWER: **Death Be Not Proud** (Accept: Holy Sonnet #10)

[10] Donne was a member of this school of poets who wrote about the world rationally rather than through mysticism or intuition. Other members include Thomas Traherne and George Herbert

#### ANSWER: Metaphysical poets

6) Name these works by James Joyce from description for ten points each

[10] In this Joyce work, Leopold Bloom wanders through Dublin on June 16, 1904. Stephen Dedalus is moody due to the recent death of his mother.

#### ANSWER: Ulysses

[10] Stephen Dedalus is the titular character of this earlier autobiographical Joyce work.

#### ANSWER: A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man

[10] Joyce's last novel is this work about the dreams and nightmares of H.C. Earwicker and his family.

## ANSWER: Finnegans Wake

7) Name some Soviet dissident writers for ten points each

[10] This author is best known for his 1966 novel *The Master and Margarita*, in which the Devil visits the Soviet Union.

#### ANSWER: Mikhail Bulgakov

[10] This Gulag survivor published a collection of short stories about camp life, *The Kolyma Tales*, which he was later forced to retract.

## ANSWER: Varlam Shalamov

[10] This poet, whose works include *Elegy for John Donne and Other Poems* and *Velka elegie*, was expelled from the Soviet Union. He emigrated to the United States, where he won the Nobel Prize in Literature and was named Poet Laureate of the United States. ANSWER: Joseph **Brodsky** 

8) Name some things about literary feuds for ten points each

[10] On the Dick Cavett Show, Mary McCarthy famously described this playwright by saying that "every word she writes is a lie, including 'and' and 'the'."

## ANSWER: Lillian Hellman

[10] Leo Tolstoy and Fyodor Dostoyevsky both feuded with this author of *Fathers and Sons*. Tolstoy even challenged him to a duel.

## ANSWER: Ivan **Turgenev**

[10] Nathaniel Hawthorne feuded with this author, possibly because Hawthorne failed to get him a government job.

#### ANSWER: Herman Melville

9) His surviving works include *Histories*, *Dialogue on Oratory*, and *Germania*. For ten points each

[10] Who is this Roman historian of the first and second centuries AD?

#### ANSWER: Tacitus

[10] One of Tacitus's best-known works is this history of the reigns of the four emperors after Augustus.

#### ANSWER: Annals

[10] The first of Tacitus's five surviving works is a biography of what Roman general who conquered Britain?

ANSWER: Gnaeus Julius Agricola

10) This novel centers on American soldiers invading the fictional Japanese-held island of Anopopei. Characters in this work include General Cummings, Sam Croft, Robert Hearn, Wyman, Gallagher, and Goldstein. For ten points each

[10] This is what 1949 novel?

## ANSWER: The Naked and the Dead

[10] *The Naked and the Dead* was the first published novel by this husband of Marilyn Monroe. ANSWER: Norman <u>Mailer</u>

[10] In this other Mailer work, Sergius O'Shaughnessy gets an up-close view of depraved Hollywood celebrities on vacation at the titular resort.

## ANSWER: The Deer Park

11) Name these Salman Rushie works from description for ten points each

[10] Rushie's debut novel was this 1975 work about Flapping Eagle, an Indian boy who becomes immortal, falls through a hole in the Mediterranean ocean, and arrives at Calf Island. ANSWER: **Grimus** 

# [10] Rushdie's second novel was this 1981 novel about the Sinai family, whose son Saleem is born at the moment India became independent.

#### ANSWER: Midnight's Children

[10] Rushdie's most famous novel is this book which begins with a hijacked plane exploding over the English channel.

## ANSWER: The Satanic Verses

12) This character is expelled from prep school a few days before Christmas. He runs away and spends a few days drifting around New York. For ten points each

[10] Who is this protagonist of a J.D. Salinger work?

ANSWER: Holden **Caufield** (prompt on Catcher in the Rye)

[10] Holden Caufield is the protagonist of what novel?

ANSWER: Catcher in the Rye

[10] What is the name of the prep school from which Caufield was expelled?

ANSWER: <u>Pencey</u> Prep

13) Name these Alexander Pope works from description for ten points each

[10] While Belinda is drinking coffee, her hair is violated in this Pope mock-epic.

#### ANSWER: The Rape of the Lock

[10] Pope wrote this poem, first published in 1711, to give his literary opinions to aspiring writers. It also very critical of critic John Dennis.

ANSWER: An Essay on Criticism

[10] Colly Cibber is the main target of this Pope satire about the Empire of Emptiness and Dullness.

#### ANSWER: The Dunciad

14) Among his best-known works are *Sketches of a Travel-Worn Satchel* and *Narrow Road to the Deep North*. For ten points each
[10] Who is this Japanese poet?
ANSWER: Matsuo **Basho**[10] Basho was a master of what form of Japanese poetry?
ANSWER: Haiku
[10] Basho wrote during what pre-modern period of Japanese history?
ANSWER: Edo

15) Some authors do it right the first time. Name these hit debut novels on a 5-10-20-30 basis [A] Richard Adams became a one-hit wonder with the publication of this 1972 novel about rabbits fleeing the destruction of the titular warren.

#### ANSWER: Watership Down

[B] Jeffrey Shaara's debut book was this sequel to his father's hit book, *The Killer Angels* ANSWER: <u>Gods and Generals</u>

[C] Major Major, Milo Minderbinder, and John Yossarian are characters in this first Joseph Heller novel.

#### ANSWER: Catch-22

[D] Anna Sewell spent six years writing this children's classic. She lived just long enough to see it published.

## ANSWER: Black Beauty

16) Her most recent novels are Jazz, Paradise, Love, and A Mercy. For ten points each

[10] Who is this American author?

## ANSWER: Toni Morisson

[10] This 1987 Morisson book is based on the story of Margaret Garner. The protagonist, Sethe, is a runaway slave who kills the titular character, her infant child.

#### ANSWER: Beloved

[10] This biblically-named Morisson work is about Milkman, and Guitar's and Hagar's repeated attempts to kill him while he searches for gold on the old family farm.

## ANSWER: Song of Solomon

17) Name some things about *The Count of Monte Cristo* for ten points each
[10] Who wrote it?
ANSWER: Alexandre <u>Dumas</u>, père
[10] Edmond Dantes is sent to this prison about a mile offshore from Marseille
ANSWER: <u>Chateau d'If</u> ["Deef"]
[10] Dumas collaborated with what other French author to write *The Count of Monte Cristo* and the *The Three Musketeers*?
ANSWER: Auguste <u>Maquet</u>

18) Name some works by Thomas Hardy for ten points each

[10] This best-known Hardy poem was published in 1901 and was originally titled *By the Century's Deathbed* 

# ANSWER: The **Darkling Thrush**

[10] Eustacia Vye, Clym Yeobright, and Damon Wildeve are characters in this novel set on Egdon Heath in Wessex.

# ANSWER: The **Return of the Native**

[10] Giles Winterborne tries unsuccessfully to marry Grace Melbury in this 1887 Hardy novel. ANSWER: The <u>Woodlanders</u>

19) Name some works that have something in common for ten points each

[10] This posthumously published Mark Twain short story concerns letters written by Satan to the archangels Michael and Gabriel.

## ANSWER: Letters from the Earth

[10] This Pearl S. Buck work has two sequels: Sons and A House Divided.

## ANSWER: The Good Earth

[10] The Clan of the Cave Bear, The Valley of Horses, and The Mammoth Hunters are part of this series by Jean M. Auel with a pre-historic setting.

# ANSWER: Earth's Children

20) As a Trenchard goes to England to claim the family estate. There, she meets Lord Dundreary, a good-natured, brainless aristocrat. For ten points each

[10] This is the plot of what 1858 play?

# ANSWER: Our American Cousin

[10] Who wrote Our American Cousin?

# ANSWER: Tom <u>Taylor</u>

[10] Abraham Lincoln was watching *Our American Cousin* at the time of his assassination in this theater in Washington DC.

ANSWER: Ford's theatre

21) Name some short stories by Edgar Allen Poe for ten points each.

[10] In this story, the title character and his manor become so related that they are a single identity by the end of the tale.

ANSWER: The Fall of the House of Usher

[10] In this story, often considered to be the closest thing to Poe's autobiography, the titular character is followed through his entire life by an eerily similar character of the same name. ANSWER: <u>William Wilson</u>

[10] This incredibly short story starts out as a discussion of the dark nature of man, and the actual story is an extremely abbreviated version of *Crime and Punishment* where the main character struggles against the urge to admit that he committed the perfect murder and ultimately confesses.

# ANSWER: The Imp of the Perverse

22) American rhetoric.com has a list of the 100 best speeches by Americans of the 20th century. Name some of them for ten points each

[10] This Martin Luther King Jr. speech was ranked #1

# ANSWER: I Have a Dream

[10] Tenth ranked was this 1965 Lyndon Baines Johnson speech to Congress, named for the protest song that it repeatedly quoted.

## ANSWER: We Shall Overcome

[10] This April 3, 1964 speech by Malcolm X ranked seventh.

ANSWER: The **Ballot or the Bullet**