

Trivia Time *by Bruce Holland, MSPE*

- 1. Several performers have reached EGOT status, which means that they have won an Emmy, a Grammy, an Oscar, and a Tony. However, there are only two individuals who have achieved PEGOT status, meaning they have won the above four awards and a Pulitzer Prize. Name those two individuals.
- 2. What breakfast cereal's name is comprised of two food names, neither of which is an ingredient found in the cereal?
- 3. What is the easternmost state in the United States?
- 4. At what temperature do the Celsius and Fahrenheit scales converge to represent the same temperature?
- 5. What disco song does the American Heart Association recommend playing when performing CPR on a person?
- 6. Which state capital does not have a McDonald's restaurant?
- 7. What 1963 hit song sparked an FBI investigation concerning whether the lyrics were obscene?
- 8. Where is the biggest desert in the world?
- 9. In fluid mechanics, what is the "Cheerios effect"?
- 10. "The Infernal Galop," from Jacques Offenbach's *Orpheus in the Underworld*, is mainly associated with what French dance?

(Answers can be found in the *Solutions* section at the back of this issue.) Ω

Solutions

Trivia Time: Answers

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- 1. Richard Rodgers and Marvin Hamlisch.
- 2. Grape-Nuts.
- 3. Alaska, because of Pochnoi Point on Semisopochnoi Island.
- 4. -40 degrees.
- 5. "Stayin' Alive" by the Bee Gees, because its beat has the same pace that is needed in chest compression.
- 6. Montpelier, Vermont. According to the 2010 Census, its population was 7,855. It is the smallest state capital by population, and it has been said that they don't have a McDonald's because of their small size coupled with

their emphasis on promoting locally owned businesses.

- "Louie, Louie" by The Kingsmen. Many radio stations banned the playing of the song; and after a 31-month investigation, the FBI concluded the lyrics were too unintelligible to determine if the lyrics were obscene.
- 8. Antarctica.
- 9. Similar to Cheerios clumping together in a bowl of milk, it is the phenomenon observed when objects that normally do not float are not only floating in a liquid but also clumping together.
- 10. The can-can. Ω

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