Geography Round 2

Regulation Tossups

(1) In this body of water, Operation Kiebitz attempted to rescue Nazi prisoners of war with U-Boats, which sunk the HMCS Shawinigan. In this body of water, a collision with the Storstad caused the deadliest peacetime shipwreck in Canadian history. That shipwreck was of the Empress of Ireland, whose remains are still under this body of water. The Lachine canal helps boats bypass rapids in, for ten points, what river which flows through Quebec into the Atlantic Ocean?

ANSWER: Saint Lawrence River

(2) This mountain range's easternmost extent is Cap de Creus [[CAP day CRAY-oos]], and Aneto is its highest peak. This mountain range merges with the Cantabrian Mountains, and it contains the only co-principality in the world, a country jointly led by the Bishop of Urgell and the President of France. Andorra is located in, for the point, what mountain range that divides France and Spain?

ANSWER: **<u>Pyrenees</u>** Mountains (accept **<u>Pirineos</u>** and similar-sounding answers; accept **<u>Pirinioak</u>**; accept **<u>Auñamendiak</u>**)

(3) This country experiences harsh winters known as *zuds*. This country contains the world's coldest national capital, and it is completely surrounded by Russia and China. Ulaanbaatar [[oo-lahn-BAH-ter]] is the capital of, for the point, what Central Asian country where tourists can see the Equestrian Statue of Genghis Khan?

ANSWER: Mongolia (accept Mongol Uls; accept Outer Mongolia)

(4) This city's World Financial Center is the world's tallest building with a hole in it, and its skyline can be identified by the rocket-like Oriental Pearl TV Tower. This city, located between the states of Jiangsu and Zhejiang [[juh-JIANG]], is the world's busiest container port, and it is located at the mouth of the Yangtze River. For the point, name this largest city of China.

ANSWER: Shanghai

(5) This country's Basilica of Our Lady of Peace is the world's largest church, and this country's village of Vridi is the namesake of a canal that connects the Atlantic Ocean to Abidjan [[ah-bih-JAHN]]. This French-speaking country has been less politically stable throughout its history than its direct eastern neighbor, Ghana. For the point, name this West African country which is home to Yamoussoukro [[YAHM-uh-soo-krow]] and is named for an elephant product.

ANSWER: Republique de **Cote d'Ivoire** (accept **Ivory Coast**)

(6) This river is known as the Isis before it flows past the Canary Wharf Financial District and O2 Stadium. This river, the second-longest in its country after the Severn, is crossed by such spans as the Tower and Westminster Bridges. For the point, name this river that flows through London.

ANSWER: River **Thames**

(7) The Rouge Complex is contained within this U.S. city's suburb of Dearborn. This largest U.S. city to ever file for bankruptcy is the seat of Wayne County, and the Ambassador Bridge, the busiest U.S.-Canadian border crossing, connects this city to Windsor. For the point, name this largest city of Michigan, the historical center of the American automotive industry.

ANSWER: **Detroit**

(8) This mountain, the source of the Hubbard Glacier, rises over a millimeter every year. This mountain's difficult Hummingbird Ridge has only been climbed once, whereas most climbers utilize the East Ridge. Those climbing this mountain are banned from climbing alone or in winter by Parks Canada. This tallest of the Elias Mountains is located next to the Seward Glacier in the Yukon Territory. Part of Kluane National Park, for ten points, name this highest mountain in Canada.

ANSWER: Mount **Logan**

(9) This country's mountain of Paektu [[PEK-too]] is the source of the Tumen and Yalu Rivers that form this country's northern boundary. Juche [[JOO-chay]] is the official ideology of this country where a quarter of the population is involved in its military. For the point, name this authoritarian country with capital at Pyongyang.

ANSWER: <u>North Korea</u> (accept <u>Democratic People's Republic of Korea</u> or <u>DPRK</u>; accept <u>Choson</u>-minjujuui-inmin-konghwaguk; prompt on "Korea;" do NOT accept "South Korea," "Republic of Korea," or "ROK")

(10) This city's Belem Tower is adjacent to a monument that honors explorers like Afonso the Fifth, Bartolomeu Dias, and Vasco da Gama. This city on the mouth of the Tagus River is the westernmost capital on the Iberian Peninsula. For the point, name this capital of Portugal.

ANSWER: **Lisbon** (accept **Lisboa**)

(11) Constantine and Oran are cities in this country, which is the largest in the Maghreb. After securing independence from France following a bloody war in the 1950s and 60s, this country adopted a green and white flag with a red crescent moon and star in the middle. For the point, name this largest country of Africa, located between Tunisia and Morocco.

ANSWER: People's Democratic Republic of <u>Algeria</u> (accept Al Jumhuriyah <u>al Jaza'ir</u>iyah ad Dimuqratiyah ash Sha'biyah)

(12) This province is home to the city of Medicine Hat, and it derives its wealth from the Athabasca oil sands. The Flames and Oilers are NHL teams that play in this province, the westernmost of Canada's Prairie Provinces. Banff National Park is contained within, for the point, what Canadian province which is home to Edmonton and Calgary?

ANSWER: Alberta

(13) Subsets of these people include the Arrerntes [[UH-run-duhs]] and Pitjantjatjaras [[PEET-en-jahr-uhs]]. These people form 30 percent of the population of the Northern Territory and refer to Ayers Rock as "Uluru." For the point, name these indigenous inhabitants of Australia.

ANSWER: <u>Aboriginal</u> Australians (accept equivalents like Australian <u>Aborigines</u>; prompt on any answer that generally indicates the indigenous inhabitants of Australia before the giveaway)

(14) This U.S. state contains the political bellwether of Terre Haute [[TARE HOTE]] on the Wabash River. This state's namesake dunes along Lake Michigan became a national park in 2019, and this state's city of South Bend is the hometown of Pete Buttigieg [[BOO-tihzhezh]]. For the point, name this Hoosier State with capital at Indianapolis.

ANSWER: **Indiana** (accept **Indiana** Dunes National Park)

(15) This city, home to the Mamilla Mall, was the first *qibla* [[KIB-luh]], and it is overlooked by the Mount of Olives. The King David Hotel is the flagship hotel of this city, which also contains the *Via Dolorosa*. This city contains the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, which was allegedly the site of Jesus's crucifixion. For the point, name this *de facto* capital of Israel, Judaism's holiest city.

ANSWER: **<u>Ierusalem</u>**

(16) As a Lovejoy lost a coin flip to a settler from Maine to name this city known for its roses. This seat of Multnomah [[MULT-no-muh]] County is overlooked by Mount Hood and lies at the confluence of the Willamette [[WUH-lam-it]] and Columbia rivers. For the point, identify this largest city in Oregon.

ANSWER: **Portland**

(17) This country's language is written in the official standard of Bokmål [[BOOK-mawl]], or "Book Tongue." This country's city of Bergen was the northernmost member of the Hanseatic League, and this country has Europe's longest coastline thanks to its many fjords [[FYORDS]]. For the point, name this country with capital at Oslo.

ANSWER: Kingdom of **Norway** (accept Kongeriket **Norge**)

(18) This country is the base for Al-Shabaab fighters who targeted shoppers during a Nairobi mall attack in 2013. Bosaso is a port in this country with a long coastline that lies east of Ethiopia. Piracy is a major problem in, for the point, what country governed from Mogadishu?

ANSWER: Federal Republic of **Somalia** (accept amhuuriyadda Federaalkaa **Soomaaliya**)

(19) This island that includes cities like Mayaguez and Ponce [[PON-say]] contains El Yunque [[el YOON-kay]], the only rainforest administered by the United States National Forest System. This island is often known by its Taino name of Borinquén, and it has a massive diaspora that forms 9 percent of New York City's population. For the point, name this U.S. island territory governed from San Juan.

ANSWER: **Puerto Rico** (accept **PR**; accept **Boringuén** until mentioned)

(20) The Bassac River originates in this country where the lake of Tonlé Sap [[TAHN-lay SAP]] contains a species of giant catfish named for the Mekong River. This country was locally known as Kampuchea [[kam-puh-CHEE-uh]], and it is bordered to the northeast by Laos. For the point, name this Southeast Asian country that contains Angkor Wat and a capital at Phnom Penh.

ANSWER: Kingdom of <u>Cambodia</u> (accept Preahreacheanachakr <u>Kampuchea</u> until mentioned)

(21) This city's Fisher Island is located in Biscayne Bay and is home to the world's busiest cruise port. Although it is not in California, this city has a suburb called Hollywood, and Calle [[KYE-yay]] Ocho is located in this city's neighborhood of Little Havana. South Beach is a neighborhood in, for the point, what city known for its Cuban culture, the largest by population in South Florida?

ANSWER: Miami

(22) The shores of this sea are home to the ports of Jizan and Jeddah. This sea lies along the Great Rift Valley and is connected via the Bab-el-Mandeb to the Gulf of Aden. Eritrea gained a coastline on this sea after declaring independence from Ethiopia. For the point, name this sea between Africa and Arabia that is associated with Moses.

ANSWER: **Red** Sea

(23) In the 2020 Census, this U.S. state that contains the source of the Monongahela [[mah-nahn-gah-HEH-lah]] River just south of Morgantown lost the greatest percentage of its population. This state joined the Union during the Civil War when it broke away from another state due to broad opposition to slavery. For the point, name this Appalachian state governed from Charleston.

ANSWER: West Virginia

(24) This country contains Citadelle Laferriere [[lah-fehr-YEHR]], the only Africanderived military fortification in the New World. This country that was formerly known as Saint-Domingue [[sahn-doh-MAHNG]] is the largest Creole-speaking country in the world, and it occupies the western third of Hispaniola. For the point, name this Caribbean country with capital at Port-Au-Prince.

ANSWER: Republic of **Haiti** (accept Republique d'**Haiti** or Repiblik d **Aviti**)

(25) This U.S. state's town of International Falls is sometimes nicknamed the "Icebox of the Nation." This state's suburb of Bloomington contains the United States' largest indoor theme park at the Mall of America. This state administers the Northwest Angle, the northernmost point of the Lower 48 states. For the point, name this U.S. state which is home to the "Twin Cities" of Saint Paul and Minneapolis.

ANSWER: Minnesota

(26) The Rene Magritte Museum is located in this city, which is largely French-speaking despite being surrounded by a Flemish-speaking population. This city is sometimes called the "Capital of Europe," because it contains the headquarters of NATO and the EU. Martial arts star Jean-Claude Van Damme is humorously known as the "Muscles from" this city. For the point, name this capital of Belgium and namesake of a type of sprout.

ANSWER: **Brussels** (accept **Bruxelles**)

(27) Federal Hall on this street was the site of George Washington's inauguration, and this street contains a building that once housed the Manhattan Company. This street, the center of its city's financial district, took its name from New Amsterdam's northern boundary. For the point, name this street, which is home to the New York Stock Exchange and is often used to generally refer to the American financial industry.

ANSWER: Wall Street

(28) This city's Holy Name Cathedral on State Street features remnants of the bullets used to kill Hymie Weiss, a gangster who rivaled Al Capone. Oak Park is a suburb of this city which also contains Michigan Avenue and the Willis Tower. Wrigley Field is a historic ballpark in, for the point, what Midwestern city in Illinois, the third largest in the U.S.?

ANSWER: Chicago

(29) In the U.S. Navy, sailors who have crossed this geographic feature are nicknamed Sons of Neptune. This geographic feature meets the Prime Meridian at a fictitious point called "Null Island" and passes 15 miles north of Quito. For the point, name this imaginary line that passes through Kenya, Indonesia, and Brazil and divides the world into northern and southern halves.

ANSWER: **Equator** (also accept **O Degrees Latitude**)

(30) This city's Loz Feliz neighborhood contains a park that is home to the most-used telescope in the world at Griffith Observatory. Robert Kennedy was shot and killed at the Ambassador Hotel in this city, which also contains the adjoining community of Santa Monica. Neighborhoods in this city include Watts, Bel-Air, and the affluent Beverly Hills. For the point, name this city that contains Hollywood, the largest in Southern California.

ANSWER: **Los Angeles** (accept **L.A.**)

Extra Questions

(1) This river is known as the Lualaba [[loo-ah-LAH-bah]] before passing through Boyoma Falls near Kisangani [[kee-sahn-GAH-nee]]. This river that includes the Kwango and Ubangi as tributaries also separates the world's two closest national capitals at a widening called Stanley Pool. The Zaire River was the former name of, for the point, what second-longest river of Africa that gives its name to two countries?

ANSWER: **Congo** River (accept **Zaire** River before mentioned)

(2) A controversial note of this currency features the Monument to Sunken Ships and the Swallow's Nest. Denominations of ten in this currency are nicknamed *chervonets* [[chehr-voh-NETS]], and this currency's smallest subunits are called *kopeks*. This currency is used in the disputed territories of South Ossetia [[oh-SECH-yuh]] and Abkhazia [[ab-KAH-zyah]]. For the point, name this official currency of Russia.

ANSWER: Russian Ruble