

KUMORICON 2022

Extremely Hard Take Home Anime Quiz

October 10, 2022

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RULES

1. You may begin as soon as you receive the quiz.
2. You must turn this quiz in to the panelist before or between 08:00 a.m. and noon. on Saturday, November 12, 2022 in the Programming Office.
3. You must print your real name and badge number on your entry.
4. Mailed entries must be received by Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at:
Extremely Hard Anime Quiz
P.O. Box 78690
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5. This quiz consists of fifty multiple-choice questions.
6. All questions have only one correct answer.
7. Some questions may have no answers that are precisely correct in which case you are to circle the best (most correct) answer.
8. This quiz is open book and open notes. Participants may use any resources to answer the questions, including each other.
9. Unless otherwise noted in the question, if there is a difference between the English dubbed version and the subtitled version, the subtitled version shall prevail.
10. Selected answers must be circled. Xs, obliterations and overstrikes will be considered answers that the participant has rejected.
11. You are encouraged to show your thought process, such as by crossing out wrong answers and writing why you think your answer is correct. This can help you convince the panelist that you are correct should we find some unclear element in the question.
12. Answers must be in black. Markings of any other color may disqualify your entry.
13. There will be panel from 11:00 a.m. to noon on Friday, November 11, 2022, in the Umbrella Lounge where people can ask questions about the quiz. This panel will not provide answers to the questions on the quiz. If you are feeling confident, you may skip this session or turn in your quiz at this time.
14. There will be a panel from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday November 13, 2022, in the Umbrella Lounge to discuss answers and if possible, announce the winners.
15. If no clear winner is found by the time of the panel on Sunday November 13, 2022, the panel will begin with a tiebreaker session and continue as such until a winner is found.
16. You must be present at Sunday's panel to win.
17. In the event of several scores being tied, the test received earliest will be considered the highest score among the group of equal scores.
18. The panelist will evaluate all answers for correctness.
19. The word of the panelist is final in determining the correctness of all answers.
20. The panelist reserves the right to add, delete or modify the rules, as necessary.
21. Ichiban Con staffs that have seen the questions prior to October 19, 2022 and relatives of the panelist are not eligible for prizes.
22. You may use any source of information to arrive at your answer but you are responsible for understanding your answer. Should you answer correctly, you may be called upon to explain your reasoning to everyone at the panel (see Rule 11).

1. When Dokufu talks of, "A future where children run freely across the land of Lobnas II," in Episode 6 of *Banner of the Stars II*, the scene shows a statue of youths forming a ring around _____. Note, due to battle damage, the central object may be destroyed.
 - a. an artistic or real tree
 - b. a basin for containing water
 - c. a statue of an adult human
 - d. a statue of an animal
 - e. a vessel for containing a fire

2. Episode 6 of *Burst Angel* soon lampoons several works by Salvador Dali. The scene with the eyes resembles Dali's *Liquid Desire*, but mixed with elements from a _____ artist.
 - a. Belgian
 - b. Dutch
 - c. French
 - d. German
 - e. Italian

3. Which of the following buildings seen in *Puella Magi Madoka Magica* was designed by the same architect or company that designed the second tallest building in Portland, Oregon?
 - a. the slender skyscraper left of the column of yellow light the opening and behind the school bell in Episode 1
 - b. the blue tinted gallery in Episode 1 where Homura Akemi encourages Madoka Kaname to remain the same
 - c. the mall in Episode 1 where Madoka Kaname and her friends shop after school
 - d. the tallest building shown in Episode 6 just before Kyoko Sakura can be found playing DDR
 - e. the twin tower skyscraper in the center of the Episode 8 scene just before Hitome Shizuki walks home with Kyosuke Kamijo

4. Which of the following is the best example of abstract expressionist art?
 - a. the paintings in the Ishtar Club room in Episode 5 of *Burst Angel*
 - b. the LOVE statue in Episode 14 of *Hell Girl, Three Vessels*
 - c. the art in Yasuna Kamiizumi's room when she plays chess against Hazumu Osaragi in Episode 6 of *Kashimashi*
 - d. the painting behind Shobu Santou's head in Episode 71 of *Rurouni Kenshin*
 - e. the painting that Rei Hino hides behind in Episode 159 of *Sailor Moon*

5. When Yulier entreats the aid of Kirito and Asuna early in Episode 12 of *Sword Art Online*, the painting behind Sasha Sensei is based on one from a museum in _____.
 - a. France
 - b. Germany
 - c. Great Britain
 - d. Italy
 - e. the United States

6. The back of Clow Cards from *Cardcaptor Sakura* contain an inscription to the four _____.
- | | |
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| a. compass points | b. elements |
| c. seasons | d. saint beasts |
| e. none of the above | |
7. *Etotama*, is an anime _____.
- that teaches the principals of Buddhism
 - that teaches the principals of Confucianism
 - that teaches the principals of Han Feizi (Legalism)
 - that teaches the principals of Taoism (Daoism)
 - about magical girls in a colorful harem setting that makes no pretense at teaching any of the above principals
8. For promoting cultural and commercial exchange, Portland, Oregon became sister cities with Suzhou, China in 1988. Which of the following takes place in or refers to Suzhou?
- “Xanadu,” as referred by Tadatomo Ijuuin from Episode 12 of *Green Green*
 - where people follow the Way of Five Grains from Episode 11 of *Shin Koihime Musou*
 - the capitol that is being built in Episode 9 of *Night Raid 1931*
 - where Xu Xian attends a festival in *Panda and the Magic Serpent*
 - where the protagonists arrive by boat in *Ranma ½ Big Trouble in Nekonron, China*
9. In Episode 4 of *Koihime Musou*, Chou’in Shiryu (Sei) tells the story of King Kousen of Etsu to tease her friends. Her actual thoughts of this story are _____.
- anachronistic, her story actually occurs after the events of *Koihime Musou*
 - contemporary, the story takes place within the past ten years
 - fictional, she completely made the whole thing up
 - historical, the story takes place over ten years ago
 - referential, this fictional tale was created by another author
10. In Episode 36 of *The Story of Saiunkoku*, Yushun Tei escapes from his burning prison that was inspired by architecture from the _____ dynasty.
- | | |
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| a. Tang (618-907) | b. Song (960-1279) |
| c. Yuan (1271-1368) | d. Ming (1368-1644) |
| e. Qing (1644-1911) | |

11. In Episode 44 of *The Adventures of Mini Goddess*, after Urd (as the 4468 Mallard) passes Gan-chan, they cross a red bridge that Skuld modeled after the famous one in _____.
- Denmark
 - Hungary
 - Italy
 - the United Kingdom
 - the United States
12. In Episode 304 of *Bleach*, Renji Abarai fought Team Seaweed on ships rigged as _____.
- barks
 - barkentines
 - brigs
 - brigantines
 - schooners
13. Which of the following locations is nearest to the prime meridian?
- Syaoran and Meiling Li's hometown in *Cardcaptor Sakura*
 - Where Faye Valentine of *Cowboy Bebop* is seen as a child on her video tape
 - Where Chiyoko Fujiwara of *Millennium Actress* made her first movie
 - The high-water mark of Alexander's conquest in *Reign the Conqueror*
 - SSA's rocket base in *Rocket Girls*
14. If anime characters were real, which character would most likely visit Portland, Oregon as an exchange student under a Sister City Exchange program?
- Yurie Hitotsubashi from *Kamichu*
 - Satoshi Imamiya from *Magical Shopping Arcade Abenobashi*
 - Honoka Sawatari from *Sentimental Journey*
 - Yamato Akitsuki from *Suzuka*
 - Tenchi Masaki from *Tenchi Muyo*
15. After a futile search for Francesca Lucchini in Episode 5 of *Strike Witches 2*, Charlotte Yeager and Yoshika Miyafuji eat cake at an outdoor café. What best describes the path the pair took to eventually find Ensign Lucchini at the tower?
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| a. over a mile to the east | b. over a mile to the north |
| c. over a mile to the south | d. over a mile to the west |
| e. within a mile of the café | |

16. In the anime *Baccano*, the character Huey Laforet is most likely _____.
- an automatic American citizen by birth
 - a naturalized American citizen
 - an illegal alien
 - a resident alien (green card)
 - impossible to determine from the above because of insufficient information in the anime
17. Consider the following anime: (A) *Black Butler*, (B) *Emma, A Victorian Romance* and (C) *Steamboy*, all taking place in Victorian England. In what chronological order do they occur?
- ACB
 - CAB
 - none of the above
 - BAC
 - CBA
18. In the world of *My-Otome*, the Aries Republic resembles the United States. When President Yukino Chrysant warns that Brigadier Haruka Armitage's actions could drag their country into war in Episode 14, the latter's response in the subtitles seems to be a parody of a speech by former _____.
- President George W. Bush
 - Vice-President Dick Cheney
 - Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton
 - Secretary of State Colin Powell
 - National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice
19. In Episode 14 of *R.O.D. the TV*, Wendy Earhart writes about efforts to prevent Gentleman's biological aging process, which led to, "confrontation between the UK and China in various areas. These confrontations took place." The multiple arch structure shown is generally thought of as _____.
- a symbol of British culture that was thought to be superior to Chinese culture
 - a symbol of Chinese culture that was thought to be superior to British culture
 - a symbol of humiliating treatment by the British towards the Chinese
 - a symbol of humiliating treatment by the Chinese towards the British
 - nothing symbolic
20. In Episode 12 of *Zipang*, the Japanese admiral who responds, "We know the way home, don't we?" after learning that their chart room was destroyed is _____.
- Hiroaki Abe
 - Nobutake Kondo
 - Gunichi Mikawa
 - Matome Ugaki
 - Isoroku Yamamoto

21. At the clothier in Episode 8 of *Astarotte's Toy*, Lotte Ygvar first tries on a kimono in a manner that suggests she is _____.
- a courtesan
 - a geisha
 - a feudal noblewoman
 - a youkai
 - about to attend a Bon festival in traditional clothing
22. Which of the following locations suffered the most damage from the earthquake and tsunami that struck Japan on March 11, 2011?
- Kabapu's Department of City Security from *Excel Saga*
 - the Bone Eater's Well from *Inuyasha*
 - where Koalla Su and Shinobu saw Keitaro and Naru ride a truck in Episode 6 of *Love Hina*
 - the high school from *The Melancholy of Haruhi Suzumiya*
 - the checkpoint from Episode 9 of *Samurai Champloo*
23. In Episode 13 of the second season of *School Rumble*, Itoko Sensei helps protect Kenji Harima from the school's flunk out ghost in much the same way that a monk protected a mythical bard from ghosts of the _____ clan.
- Fujiwara
 - Minamoto
 - Taira
 - Hojo
 - Tachibana
24. In Episode 21 of *Squid Girl*, the title character "conquers Japan." She most likely began her conquest from _____ province.
- Izu
 - Mikawa
 - Mutsu
 - Owari
 - Satsuma
25. Consider the following characters who wear historical Japanese costumes: (A) Chiyoko Fujiwara when starring in her chambara movie in *Millennium Actress*, (B) the main cast of *Ouran High School Host Club* for their club theme in Episode 14 and (C) Klein/Ryotaro Tsuboi from Episode 9 of *Sword Art Online*. In what chronological order were they in style?
- ACB
 - BCA
 - none of the above
 - BAC
 - CBA

26. Which book of the *Bible* provides the verse(s) that foreshadow Hannah eventually gouging out Alois Trancey's eye in Episode 8 from the second season of *Black Butler*?
- a. Leviticus
 - b. Judges
 - c. 2 Kings
 - d. Jeremiah
 - e. Acts
27. In the top menu of a digital video disc (DVD) of the anime *Final Fantasy VII, Advent Children*, Sephiroth's theme, One Winged Angel, plays in the background. The opening lyrics were borrowed from a poem about a person afflicted by _____. (Note: anger or wrath is not the correct answer.)
- a. envy
 - b. gluttony
 - c. greed
 - d. lust
 - e. pride
28. Near the end of Episode 55 of *Full Metal Alchemist Brotherhood*, Briggs forces capture nearly all of Central Command Center. Buccaneer's _____ squad controls the main (south) gate.
- a. gray
 - b. green
 - c. orange
 - d. purple
 - e. red
29. While Akio Ohtori is eating shaved ice with his sister in Episode 31 of *Revolutionary Girl Utena*, Nanami Kiryuu and Utena Tenjou take a walk and agree that Akio Ohtori is cool. The anime emphasizes this by comparing him to _____.
- a. Apollo
 - b. Baldr
 - c. Gackt
 - d. Hercules
 - e. Zeus
30. In Episode 56 of *Sailor Moon R*, the Cardian Bipierro has a compound name that respectively references a(an) _____ clown and seventeenth century _____ improvisational comedy.
- a. French, French
 - b. French, Italian
 - c. Italian, French
 - d. Italian, Italian
 - e. none of the above

31. As Ciel Phantomhive teaches Elizabeth Midford how to play chess in Episode 21 of *Black Butler*, Sebastian plays a (an) _____ movement on the violin.
- a. adagio
 - b. andante
 - c. chaconne
 - d. larghetto
 - e. largo
32. Examine the scores on page 13. Which of the music was used in the animated film *The Girl Who Leapt Through Time*?
- a. A
 - b. B
 - c. C
 - d. D
 - e. E
33. In Episode 2 of *Ouran High School Host Club*, the hosts welcome young ladies to a tropical themed party while Yoshihisa Hirano's Concerto for Oboe, Two Horns, Violin and Strings plays in the background. For this piece, which instruments make up what is known as the ripieno?
- a. the cello and the harpsichord
 - b. the oboe, two horns and a violin
 - c. the violin(s), the viola, the cello and the harpsichord
 - d. all of the above
 - e. none of the above
34. Which of the following works will be performed by the Portland Baroque Orchestra on November 19, 2022 in the First Baptist Church and on November 20, 2022 in Kaul Auditorium?
- a. what Ciel Phantomhive was learning to play in Episode 13 of *Black Butler*
 - b. the music from the castle television program from Episode 24 of *Cardcaptor Sakura*
 - c. what Seiso Academy performs in Episodes 7 and 8 of *La Corda d'Oro Blue Sky*
 - d. what Asuka Langley Soryu warms up to in *Neon Genesis Evangelion Death and Rebirth*
 - e. the music when Keima Kasturagi leaps after ascending a staircase in Episode 24 of *The World God Only Knows*
35. Which of the following is the best example of where the anime directors used the original purpose of the music to parallel the on-screen events?
- a. what Sebastian plays on the violin in Episode 21 of *Black Butler*
 - b. what Sakura hears on the television in Episode 24 of *Cardcaptor Sakura*
 - c. when Makoto experiences her first Time Leap in *Girl Who Leapt Through Time*
 - d. when Utena Tenjou and Anthy Himemiya discuss visiting and enjoying tea and cookies together in Episode 37 of *Revolutionary Girl Utena*
 - e. what Eudial plays while seated before the organ in Episode 110 of *Sailor Moon S*

36. In Episode 3 of *Fate Kaleid Liner*, Miyu Edelfelt determines the volume of a cone by integrating a series of _____.
- circular discs normal to the height of the cone
 - conical shells centered about the centroid of the cone
 - cylindrical shells centered about the axis of the cone
 - hyperbolic slices normal to the diameter of the cone
 - parabolic slices normal to the slant height of the cone
37. In Episode 12 of *Full Metal Panic FUMOFFU*, Sousuke Sagara identifies the threat in his bottle as being _____ and _____.
- eukaryotic, autotrophic
 - eukaryotic, heterotrophic
 - prokaryotic, autotrophic
 - prokaryotic, heterotrophic
 - vague, impossible to determine any of the above
38. Examine the western hemisphere map in the opening of *Galaxy Angel AA*. What kind of clouds can be expected over the Straits of Mackinac?
- mostly sunny, with a few cumulus humilis clouds
 - cirrus spissatus, then cirrostratus, then altocumulus, then cumulonimbus
 - varying stratus, altostratus and nimbostratus, lasting for days
 - cirrus, then cirrostratus, then cirrocumulus, then altostratus, then nimbostratus
 - The map does not infer the cloud cover.
39. In Episode 80 of *Sailor Moon R*, one of the equations found on Ami Mizuno's cheat sheet states that _____.
- for any triangle, the square of the length of a side is equal to the sum of the squares of the lengths of the other two sides minus twice the product of their length times the cosine of the opposite angle
 - for a given amount of an ideal gas at a constant temperature, the product of its pressure and volume is also a constant
 - the voltage drop or electric field over the length of a wire is equal to the product of the current and resistance
 - the mass of a body may be defined as its resistance to a change in its velocity over a length of time to a given force
 - in specular reflection, the incident angle is equal to the reflected angle
40. The second ending to the *Tenchi Muyo* Original Video Animation (OVA) includes the song, "Lonely Moon." In it, Ryo Ohki perceives a carrot where the _____ should be.
- crow
 - cup
 - dove
 - microscope
 - scorpion

41. The music that accompanies Arael's attack in Episode 22 of *Neon Genesis Evangelion* is a chorus from a famous work. Who quotes or references the lyrics to the aria that precedes this chorus?
- Kirei Kotomine from Episode 23 of *Fate Zero*
 - Togusa from *Ghost in the Shell, Innocence*
 - Alexander Anderson from Episode 3 of *Hellsing Ultimate*
 - Najima Gable from Episode 12 of *Stellvia*
 - none of the above
42. Originally in Episode 9 of *Nerima Daikon Brothers*, a character's name, Nabeo Donabesawa, is a parody of media president Tsuneo Watanabe. Since this joke would be lost on most western viewers, the English dub instead characterizes his boss as ventriloquist _____.
- Edgar Bergen
 - Wenceslao Moreno (Senor Wences)
 - Jimmy Nelson
 - Terry Fator
 - Paul Winchell
43. Which of the following music from *Kill la Kill* will the Portland Opera perform on November 5, 7 and 13, 2022?
- when Mako Mankanshoku points out the second checkpoint in Episode 4
 - when the public address system announces the King of the Hill Final Battle in Episode 9
 - played by her band when Nonon Jakuzure makes her combat entrance in Episode 10
 - in the prologue of Episode 11
 - what Nonon Jakuzure plays to defeat Abekamo Academy of Kyoto in Episode 14
44. In Episode 19 from Season 2 of *School Rumble*, just before Kenji Harima arrives at the Year End Party on a giant bowl, the background music playing was _____ from Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker*.
- The March
 - Waltz of the Snowflakes
 - Dance of the Reed-Flutes
 - Waltz of the Flowers
 - Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy
45. Just before the eye catch of Episode 11 of *Strike Witches*, Erica Hartmann attempts to hitchhike using a method she probably learned in a _____ movie.
- 20th Century Fox
 - Metro-Goldwyn Mayer
 - Universal Studios
 - Columbia Pictures
 - Paramount Pictures

46. In the anime *Big-O*, the title character (mecha) was carried by two parallel running railroad tracks. What best describes the real-world experience with carrying a single load between two parallel railroad tracks?
- The idea is impractical and exists only in people's imagination.
 - The idea was drawn up but never built due to technical difficulties.
 - The idea was abandoned after experiments proved that it was too difficult to operate.
 - The idea has actually been used but only for special, enormous loads.
 - The idea is still in common use today in certain remote areas.
47. In Episode 1 of *Emma, A Victorian Romance*, William Jones plays with a toy airplane. What is the real-world experience of this particular airplane design?
- It remained a concept on paper and was never built.
 - Some models were built but they never became airborne.
 - A model made a short hop but never achieved controlled flight.
 - The prototype became airborne but immediately crashed.
 - It flew but not until the Wright Brothers first achieved controlled, powered flight.
48. Examine the Scolopendra guns in Episode 16 of *Last Exile*. What is the real-world experience on firearms using the same principal?
- None, like the van ships and flying warships, the Scolopendra gun uses a technology or magic that does not exist in the real world.
 - None, although plausible, a weapon similar to the Scolopendra gun never progressed beyond the drawing board.
 - Some, although a prototype was built, it proved to be a disappointment during tests and its development was cancelled.
 - Some, although some of them were actually used in combat, they did not live up to their expected potential.
 - Some, at least one military currently maintains similar weapons in its arsenal.
49. As he leaves the fighting arena in Episode 16 of *s-CRY-ed*, Kazuma gives his possessions to a little boy in a similar manner to a famous _____.
- | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| a. basketball player | b. boxer |
| c. football player | d. mixed martial artist |
| e. professional wrestler | |
50. In which of the following costume could a cosplayer be arrested, banned or possibly be the source of offense at an anime convention in Budapest?
- Belldandy from *Ah My Goddess* (first appearance)
 - Rosette Christopher from *Chrono Crusade*
 - Saber from *Fate/Stay Night* (armored battle dress)
 - Esther Blanchett from *Trinity Blood* (first appearance)
 - Princess Valkyrie from *UFO Ultramaiden Valkyrie* (adult)

Musical notation for section A, featuring a treble and bass clef. The treble clef contains a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes. The bass clef contains a bass line with eighth notes. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The section is labeled 'A' at the bottom center.

Musical notation for section B, featuring a treble and bass clef. The treble clef contains a melodic line with eighth notes. The bass clef contains a bass line with eighth notes. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The section is labeled 'B' at the bottom center.

Musical notation for section C, featuring a treble and bass clef. The treble clef contains a melodic line with eighth notes. The bass clef contains a bass line with eighth notes. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The section is labeled 'C' at the bottom center.

Musical notation for section D, featuring a treble and bass clef. The treble clef contains a melodic line with eighth notes. The bass clef contains a bass line with eighth notes. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The section is labeled 'D' at the bottom center.

Musical notation for section E, featuring a treble and bass clef. The treble clef contains a melodic line with eighth notes. The bass clef contains a bass line with eighth notes. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The section is labeled 'E' at the bottom center.

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