The Book Unbound

Part I: General Books

1. What is the only language in the Semitic branch of the Afro-Asiatic family to employ the Latin alphabet in its standard form? **Maltese**
2. Where is the only surviving complete manuscript of the Palestinian Talmud? **Leiden, Netherlands**
3. What is the croaking chorus of the frogs of Aristophanes? **Answer: “Βρεκεκεκέξ κοάξ κοάξ,” or “Brekekekéx-koáx-koáx”**
4. On which island did a natural disaster occur that indirectly induced Mary Shelley to write **Frankenstein**? **Sumbawa**
5. What is the title of the first book translated into Japanese emoji? **Emoji Dick (translation of Moby Dick)**

Part II: Opening Lines

6. "All happy families are alike; each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way." **Anna Karenina, Leo Tolstoy**
7. "It was a queer, sultry summer, the summer they electrocuted the Rosenbergs, and I didn't know what I was doing in New York." **The Bell Jar, Sylvia Plath**
9. "The grandmother didn't want to go to Florida." **A Good Man is Hard to Find, Flannery O'Connor**
10. "Once upon a time and a very good time it was there was a moocow coming down along the road and this moocow that was coming down along the road met a nicens little boy named baby tuckoo..." **A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man, James Joyce**
11. "Here is a weird one for you." **Signifying Nothing, David Foster Wallace**
12. "In the cold, nearly colorless light of a New England winter, two men on horseback traveled the coast road below Boston, heading north." **John Adams, David McCullough**
13. "All states, all powers, that have held and hold rule over men have been and are either republics or principalities.” **The Prince, Niccolò Machiavelli**
14. "I went down yesterday to the Piraeus with Glaucon the son of Ariston, that I might offer up my prayers to the goddess; and also because I wanted to see in what manner they would celebrate the festival, which was a new thing.” **The Republic, Plato**
15. “The family of Dashwood had long been settled in Sussex.” **Sense and Sensibility, Jane Austen**
16. "It was about eleven o’clock in the morning, mid October, with the sun not shining and a look of hard wet rain in the clearness of the foothills.” **The Big Sleep, Raymond Chandler**
17. “The first time that Jean-Claude Pelletier read Benno von Archimboldi was Christmas 1980 in Paris, when he was nineteen years old and studying German literature.” **2666, Roberto Bolano**
18. "‘We should start back,’ Gared urged as the woods began to grow dark around them.” **A Game of Thrones, George R.R. Martin**
19. “Ever wondered what the lives of the chosen ones are really like?” **Gossip Girl, Cecily Von Ziegesar**
20. “On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays it was Court Hand and Summulae Logicales, while the rest of the week it was the Organon, Repetition and Astrology.” The Once and Future King or The Sword in the Stone (either acceptable), both T.H. White
21. “The date was April 14, 1912, a sinister day in maritime history, but of course the man in suite 63-65, shelter deck C, did not yet know it.” The Devil in the White City, Erik Larson
22. “With a single drop of ink for a mirror, the Egyptian sorcerer undertakes to reveal to any chance comer far-reaching visions of the past.” Adam Bede, George Eliot
23. “Peter Crowther’s book on the election was already in the shops.” The Line of Beauty, Alan Hollinghurst
24. “It wasn’t very likely place for disappearances, at least at first glance.” Outlander, Diana Gabaldon
25. “The first place that I can well remember was a large pleasant meadow with a pond of clear water in it.” Black Beauty, Anna Sewell
26. “‘So now get up.’” Wolf Hall, Hilary Mantel
27. “In the tender green time of April, Katherine set forth In the tender green time of April, Katherine set forth at last upon her journey with the two nuns and the royal messenger.” Katherine, Anya Seton
28. “High, high above the North Pole, on the first day of 1969, two professors of English Literature approached each other at a combined velocity of 1200 miles per hour.” Changing Places, David Lodge
29. “They say when trouble comes close ranks, and so the white people did.” Wide Sargasso Sea, Jean Rhys
30. “Boys are playing basketball around a telephone pole with a backboard bolted to it.” Rabbit, Run, John Updike
31. “Left Munich at 8:35 P.M., on 1st May, arriving at Vienna early next morning; should have arrived at 6:46, but train was an hour late.” Dracula, Bram Stoker
32. “She waited, Kate Croy, for her father to come in, but he kept her unconscionably, and there were moments at which she showed herself, in the glass over the mantel, a face positively pale with the irritation that had brought her to the point of going away without sight of him.” The Wings of the Dove, Henry James
33. “124 was spiteful.” Beloved, Toni Morrison
34. “The knocking sounded again, at once discreet and peremptory, while the doctor was descending the stairs, the flashlight’s beam lancing on before him down the brownstained stairwell and into the brown-stained tongue-and-groove box of the lower hall.” If I Forget Thee, Jerusalem or The Wild Palms (either acceptable), both William Faulkner
35. “In 1527 the peasant Sanxi Daguerre, his wife, his young son Martin, and his brother Pierre left the family property in the French Basque country and moved to a village in the county of Foix, a three-week walk away.” The Return of Martin Guerre, Natalie Zemon Davis
36. “Mother died today.” The Stranger, Albert Camus
37. “In the second half of the 1960s I traveled repeatedly from England to Belgium, partly for study purposes, partly for other reasons which were never entirely clear to me, staying sometimes for just one or two days, sometimes for several weeks.” Austerlitz, W.G. Sebald
38. “They’re out there.” One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest, Ken Kesey

40. “This book is about the stock of money in the United States.” A Monetary History of the United States, Milton Friedman and Anna Jacobson Schwartz

41. “Here is a small fact: You are going to die.” The Book Thief, Markus Zusak

Part III: A Portrait of the Artists as a Young Man

42. Buddy Holly

43. Jimi Hendrix
44. Jackson Pollock
45. Pablo Picasso
46. Salvador Dali
Part IV: Last words

49. “That’s very obvious.” John F. Kennedy

50. “You must pardon me, gentlemen, for being a most unconscionable time a-dying.” King Charles II

51. “This hath not offended the king.” Thomas More

52. “I don’t know.” Peter Abelard

53. “Mozart!” Gustav Mahler

54. “Oh wow.” Steve Jobs

55. “If I am to be killed, let Adolf do it himself.” Ernst Röhm

56. “I believe we should adjourn this meeting to another place.” Adam Smith

57. “My God, what’s happened?” Princess Diana


59. “Joseph! Joseph! Joseph!” Brigham Young

60. “We are the first victims of American fascism.” Ethel Rosenberg

61. “This isn't Hamlet, you know. It's not meant to go into the bloody ear.” Laurence Olivier

62. “More weight!” Giles Corey
63. “There is nothing proper about what you are doing, soldier, but do try to kill me properly.”

Cicero

64. “Capitalism. Downfall.” Christopher Hitchens

65. “You’ve got to stop this war in Afghanistan.” Richard Holbrooke

66. “I die innocent of all the crimes laid to my charge; I pardon those who have occasioned my death; and I pray to God that the blood you are going to shed may never be visited on France.” King Louis XVI

Part V: Books of Sound: Opera

67. Which song was spontaneously sung at the funeral of the famous Italian opera composer whose name, translated casually into English, is Joe Green? “Va, pensiero.”

68. The very first lines of Richard Wagner’s Ring Cycle are famous as an example of heavy alliteration. Thirteen of the first fifteen words, in fact, all begin with the same letter. What letter is it? W

69. What is the name of the climactic duet sung between Ricardo Baroni (Alan Jones) and Rosa Castaldi (Kitty Carlisle) at the end of the Marx Brothers film A Night at the Opera? “Miserere”

70. In which country does La sonnambula, a pastoral opera written in 1831 by Vincenzo Bellini, take place? Switzerland

Part VI: Animal Farm

71. Black Angus (cow)

72. Holstein (cow)
73. Belted Galloway (cow)

74. Brahman

75. Hereford
76. Highland

77. Texas Longhorn

78. Basque Pig
79. Berkshire Pig

80. American Yorkshire

81. Pot-Bellied Pig

82. Clydesdale Horse
83. Shetland pony

84. Mustang

85. Arabian horse
86. Merino

87. Dorset

88. Jacob Sheep

89. Great Pyrenees
Part VII: The Trial--Guess the trial based on excerpts from the transcripts

93. “Would you say that the earth was only 4,000 years old?” **Scopes Trial**

94. “We will be delighted to show counsel, but it will bear out what I have informed the court of, which is a very limited view, and the jury is entitled to see how this witness can identify this particular crime scene envelope as the one that she put the glasses into and she can’t do that until she sees her handwriting.” **OJ Simpson**

95. “The words ‘people of the United States’ and ‘citizens’ are synonymous terms, and mean the same thing. They both describe the political body who, according to our republican institutions, form the
sovereignty, and who hold the power and conduct the Government through their representatives. They are what we familiarly call the "sovereign people," and every citizen is one of this people and a constituent member of this sovereignty. The question before us is, whether the class of persons described in the plea in abatement compose a portion of this people, and are constituent members of this sovereignty? We think they are not, and that they are not included, and were not intended to be included, under the word 'citizens' in the Constitution, and can therefore claim none of the rights and privileges which that instrument provides for and secures to citizens of the United States.” Dred Scott

96. “Thus, far from buttressing his case, petitioner's invocation of Leviticus, Romans, St. Thomas Aquinas, and sodomy's heretical status during the Middle Ages undermines his suggestion that represents a legitimate use of secular coercive power.” Bowers vs. Hardwick

97. “I, however, admit that I am guilty of the dastardly plan of the dismemberment of the U.S.S.R., for Trotsky was negotiating about territorial concessions, and I was in a bloc with the Trotskyites. This is a fact, and I admit it.” Bukharin trial

98. “The question before the Court and you, Gentlemen of the jury, is not of small or private concern. It is not the cause of one poor printer, nor of New York alone, which you are now trying.” Zenger trial

99. Question: “Did you ever kiss him?”
Answer: “Oh, dear no. He was a peculiarly plain boy. He was, unfortunately, extremely ugly. I pitied him for it.
Q: “Was that the reason why you did not kiss him?”
A: “Oh, Mr. Carson, you are pertinently insolent.”
Q: “Did you say that in support of your statement that you never kissed him?”
A: “No. It is a childish question.”
Q: “Did you ever put that forward as a reason why you never kissed the boy?”
A: “Not at all.”
Q: “Why, sir, did you mention that this boy was extremely ugly?”
A: “For this reason. If I were asked why I did not kiss a door-mat, I should say because I do not like to kiss doormats. I do not know why I mentioned that he was ugly, except that I was stung by the insolent question you put to me and the way you have insulted me throughout this hearing. Am I to be cross-examined because I do not like it?”
Q: “Why did you mention his ugliness?”
A: “It is ridiculous to imagine that any such thing could have occurred under any circumstances.”
Q: “Then why did you mention his ugliness, I ask you?”
A: “Perhaps you insulted me by an insulting question.” Wilde v. Queensbury (or Oscar Wilde libel trial)

100. “You will hear that on [date redacted] between 1:43 and 1:55 in the afternoon, Google searches were done on that computer for the words chloroform, alcohol, acetone, and peroxide. You will hear that on Friday, [date], between the hours of 2:16 and 2:28 pm, Google searches were conducted for, quote, how to make chloroform, quote, how to make chloroform with a different spelling, quote, self defense, quote, household weapons, quote, neck breaking, quote, shovel. In addition to those Google searches, there were Wikipedia conducted on [date redacted], between the hours of 1:53 and 1:58 pm, for the words inflammation, chloroform, alcohol, acetone, peroxide,
hydrogen peroxide, and death. On [date redacted] between 2:16 and 2:28 pm, a Wikipedia search was done for the word shovel.” **Casey Anthony trial**

101. “I would know by what power I am called hither. . . . by what authority, I mean, lawful; there are many unlawful authorities in the world, thieves and robbers by the highways: but I would know by what authority I was brought from thence, and carried from place to place, (and I know not what), and when I know what lawful authority, I shall answer.” **Trial of Charles I**

102. “Adultery, homosexuality and the like are sexual intimacies which the State forbids . . . but the intimacy of husband and wife is necessarily an essential and accepted feature of the institution of marriage, an institution which the State not only must allow, but which always and in every age it has fostered and protected. It is one thing when the State exerts its power either to forbid extra-marital sexuality . . . or to say who may marry, but it is quite another when, having acknowledged a marriage and the intimacies inherent in it, it undertakes to regulate by means of the criminal law the details of that intimacy.” **Griswold v. Connecticut**

103. “The Deity allowed the doctors to finish my work gradually, because he wanted to prepare the people for the change and also to confirm my original inspiration. I am well satisfied with the Deity's conduct of the case thus far, and I have not doubt that He will continue to father it to the end, and that the public will sooner or later see the special providence.” **Trial of Charles Guiteau**

104. Question: “The question of a 120 mm hydraulic brake would obviously interest an artillery officer. You are an officer who graduated from the École de Guerre and so there is nothing impossible about your having occupied yourself with this, that you had information on this subject. In 1890 you were in Bourges.”

Answer: “Yes, my colonel.”

Q: “At the school of pyrotechnics?”

A: “Yes, the school of pyrotechnics.”

Q: “You must have frequented officers of the garrison?”

A: “Yes, my colonel.”

Q: “And consequently the officers of the foundry at Bourges... It is precisely in 1890 that the first hydropneumatic brakes for the 120 were constructed. There is thus nothing impossible about your having learned of this in your conversations with the officers of the garrison.”

A: I knew the concept of the hydropneumatic brake since 1889. But I knew neither its detailed structure nor its construction.” **Trial of Alfred Dreyfus**

105. Question: “Do you know any of the prisoners?”

Answer: “Yes, several, there is Killroy I know particularly well.”

Q: “Did you ever hear Killroy make use of any threatening expressions, against the inhabitants of this town?”

A: “Yes, one evening I heard him say, he would never miss an opportunity, when he had one, to fire on the inhabitants, and that he had wanted to have an opportunity ever since he landed.” **Boston Massacre trial**

106. “Is it possible to speak of this demand in language of decency and moderation? Is there a law of Habeas Corpus in the land? Has the expunging process of black lines passed upon these two Declarations of Independence in their gilded frames? Has the 4th of July, '76, become a day of ignominy and reproach?...Is it for this Court to sanction such monstrous usurpation and Executive tyranny as this...
at the demand of a Spanish minister? And can you hear, with judicial calmness and composure, this
demand of despotism, countenanced and supported by all the Executive authorities of the United
States, though not yet daring to carry it into execution?” **Amistad trial**

107. "Then I heard a noise from inside the toilet, what I perceived to be somebody coming
out of the toilet. Before I knew it, I fired four shots at the door." **Trial of Oscar Pistorius**

108. “And with respect to the bona fide work of art coming from an association, the bona
fide art association is defined as one in the law as an organization not in contravention with other
sections of the law that deal with obscene language, nudism, obscenity, seduction, sodomy, wife
slavery, adultery, fornication and the like.” **Jacobellis v. Ohio**

109. “I have already said that the top echelons, to which I did not belong, gave the orders,
and they rightly, in my opinion, deserved punishment for the atrocities which were perpetrated on the
victims on their orders. But the subordinates are now also victims. I am one of such victims. This cannot
be ignored. It is said that I could and should have refused to be obedient. That is a consideration with
hindsight. Under the circumstances then prevailing such an attitude was not possible. Nor did anyone
behave in this fashion. From my experience I know that the possibility, which was alleged only after the
War, of opposing orders is a self-protective fairy tale. An individual could secretly slip away. But I was
not one of those who thought that permissible.” **Adolf Eichmann trial**

110. Question: “Could you tell the jury what time you arrived at Ayers Rock?”
Answer: “The Friday, in the afternoon, about five o’clock.”
Q: “On the Saturday, did you see a dingo in close proximity to your tent?”
A: “It would be about sundown. Catherine and I had climbed the Rock. She’d had a shower and was
sitting outside the tent.”
Q: “Did your daughter call out to you in a loud voice.”
A: “Yes.”
Q: “Did you see a dingo in the immediate vicinity of where your daughter was seated?”
A: “Yes.”
**Lindy Chamberlain trial**