Pokémon

(but you don't need to know anything about Pokémon to do well)

Part 1: Types

Every answer will contain the name of one of the eighteen types of Pokémon.

- 1. Which character, played by Jim Carrey on *In Living Color*, also makes a cameo appearance in the background of a scene in *Liar Liar*?
- 2. What town is home to Illinois State University?
- 3. Also on the *Heavy Metal* soundtrack, what Blue Öyster Cult song repeats the phrase, "Don't let these shakes go on" eight times?
- 4. What Walt Whitman poem lent its title to a Ray Bradbury short story collection?
- 5. Gypsy, Tuck, Roll, and Francis are characters in what Pixar movie?
- 6. Chronologically, Whoopi Goldberg's second award towards her EGOT was for what work?
- 7. What rapper was portrayed by his son in *Straight Outta Compton*?
- 8. Rum, ginger beer, ice, and a lime slice are the chief ingredients in what cocktail?
- 9. Who is the best-selling still-living fiction author, with sales estimates between 500 million and 800 million books sold?
- 10. Mostly produced in the Pacific Northwest (and, surprisingly, not Kentucky), *Poa pratensis* is a variety of what plant?
- 11. What upcoming film is about WWE wrestler Paige?
- 12. What is the Australian term for cotton candy?
- 13. Two tokens in Operation give \$150 if successfully extracted. One is Spare Ribs. What is the other?
- 14. The President of the Inner Circle, a club in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, is the only human who speaks what language?
- 15. Isadora Wing is the aptly named main character of what novel?
- 16. C. C. DeVille is the guitarist for what band?
- 17. What film holds the record for the most Oscar nominations for a foreign language film, with ten?
- 18. What is the capital of the first state to elect a female senator?

Part 2: Names

Each prompt in this section will allude to a real-world person, place, or object, all of which share their names with a Pokémon. Just name those things!

- 19. First name of Smith, the 19th highest scorer in WNBA history.
- 20. Fourth-largest district of Malaysia by population.
- 21. An electrical conductor that touches a nonmetallic circuit element.
- 22. Darkness, or a mutant at the Xavier Institute who could emit darkness.
- 23. ".
- 24. An alternative name for Farsi.

- 25. According to Jewish tradition, a clay being animated with magic.
- 26. The sound a cat makes.
- 27. A cryptocurrency app, or a singer in the film *Assassination Nation*.
- 28. Quenching thirst, or breaking something down by adding water.
- 29. A 2013 Abigail Breslin horror film.
- 30. Former name of the airline Cathay Dragon.
- 31. Elvis Presley's middle name.
- 32. Affix meaning "sleep" derived from Greek.
- 33. A helmet worn by samurai.
- 34. Danish rock band whose album *Seal the Deal & Let's Boogie* hit #4 on the US album charts.
- 35. Last name of Kevin, the 2014 NBA MVP.

Part 3: IN REAL LIFE!

Answer these questions about Pokémon in the real world.

- 36. As he left the 2012 presidential campaign, what candidate said, before quoting *Pokémon the Movie 2000: The Power of One*, "I believe these words came from the Pokémon movie. The media pointed that out. I'm not sure who the original author is. So don't go writing an article about the point"?
- 37. What candidate, during the 2016 presidential campaign, said, "'Cause we're gonna have a lot of jobs. Jobs from building infrastructure to coding. Creating new apps. I don't know who created Pokémon Go"?
- 38. What American political figure, in an ATTN: video from 2018, said, "Look, I don't care about Pokémon, but that doesn't mean it won't keep on coming back. That's actually what people in power are betting on"?
- 39. What US state capital changed its name to a Pikachu-based pun in 1998 and 2018?
- 40. What country contained in the Realm of New Zealand printed special editions of its \$1 coins with Bulbasaur, Charmander, Squirtle, Pikachu, and Meowth on them in 2001?
- 41. Reshiram and Zekrom are the only Pokémon to appear alongside Pikachu during what annual event?
- 42. Pikachurin, a protein, accelerates the action of what organs?
- 43. Speaking of biology, Zbtb7 is a gene that was formerly called Pokemon. The name was changed, though, because the gene does what?
- 44. There is only one state with officially licensed Pokémon Center stores in it, as the one in New York is now a general Nintendo store. What state are they all in?
- 45. In what collaboration between Drake and Lil Baby that hit #6 on the Billboard charts does Lil Baby compare his car to a Pikachu?
- 46. Rolling Stone's 45th best song of 2013 was "Pikachu" by what rapper?
- 47. What rap trio repeatedly compares their diamonds to Pikachu in the 2014 song "Peek A Boo"?
- 48. The answer to the previous question name-drops Pikachu yet again in a featured verse on a different song called "Peek a Boo". Who is the lead artist on this 2017 track?

- 49. What city's Lower Garden District had a Pikachu-shaped statue anonymously placed there in 2016?
- 50. Happening between Melissa and Anna Kournikova, what was the June 28, 2000 event known as Pikachu?