Isaac’s Dumb Music Packet 2

1. **One song with this name is the shortest song to ever reach the top of the charts, and that song was written by Maurice Williams. A different version of that song was later covered in a version that featured Rosemary Butler and David Lindley singing in falsetto. That live version appears on Jackson** Browne’s *Running on Empty*. A song of this name appears on the album *Obscured by Clouds*, and says “If you don’t mind, we’ll break a bottle of wine.” A song by this name appeared on the album *Tails* and was the lead single on the *Reality Bites* soundtrack. That song of this name is by Lisa Loeb and Nine Stories. For 10 points, name this single-word song title, a command to remain.

ANSWER: “**Stay**”

**2. Isaac Hirsch once appeared on a radio show where the host insisted only on talking about his IBS and this band’s “awesome post-rock phase, which is way better than their earlier stuff.” One song from that band’s post-rock phase declares “Jesus tried to love us all/ be a friend to me” before asserting “Happiness is Easy.” One song by this band asks you to “Celebrate it/ anticipate it” and is titled “Life’s What You Make It.” A more famous song by this band opens with “What did I tell you before when I was up?/ Anxiety was bringing me down.” That song shares its title with this band’s** name, weirdly. This band’s most famous song features a video where the singer refuses to lip-synch while standing around at a zoo, and that song was covered by No Doubt in 2003. That song asks “How much do you commit yourself?” For 10 points, name this British synth band that wrote “It’s My Life.”

ANSWER: **Talk Talk**

**3. Mike Doughty once wrote about this man, “Let’s face facts here-- what [this man] does is basically write about his mail.” Ironically, this man inexplicably loved Soul Coughing, claiming Doughty was “cleverer” than the guy from the Eels. This man claimed “there are better beats on the damn Jadakiss CD” in a famous panning of Daft Punk’s** *Discovery*, and this man wrote that the Ying-Yang twins are “way more fun than most bitch-ass motherfuckers.” That review of *Me & My Brother* was far more positive than his review of *OK Computer*, which called Radiohead “ridiculous.” For 10 points, name this rock critic who recently has fallen in love with terrible rap, the supposed “dean of all rock critics.”
ANSWER: Robert **Christgau**

**4. This man rapped “Who fuses the music with no illusions?/Producing the blue prints clueless?” in a song about his frequent collaborator, “Mastermind.” This man rapped “Not another day on the 46A/ I should’ve caught the 46B” in “The Wacky World of Rapid Transit.” One song by this man samples a nonsense track from The Monkees *Headquarters*, where the Monkees keep yelling “Zilch!” and “Mister** Dobalina, Mister Bob Dobalina.” This man rapped “Check yourself/ Respect yourself/ And wash your mothafuckin’ body ‘fore your sweatshirt melt” in his ode to good hygiene. This rapper is known for his side project with Dan the Automator about a rapper in the year 3030, and he’s the guest rapper on “Clint Eastwood” by Gorillaz. For 10 points, name this rapper behind “If You Must.”

ANSWER: **Del** tha Funkee Homosapien or **Del**tron 3030

**5. This band inexplicably wrote a song for the Occupy Wall Street movement, called “If There Ever Was a Time.” Though it’s not Sugar Ray, this band’s guitarist, Anthony Fredianelli, successfully sued its asshole lead singer in 2013. One song by this band says “I woke you up in the night/ and I slit the throat of your confidence.” One music video by this band features a human chain of people holding onto a tower, which a dominatrix slowly ascends. This band behind “Thanks** a Lot” only had one hit off their second album, *Blue*, and that track was “Never Let You Go.” This band is more famous for a song that asks over and over “Can I graduate?” and a song urging the listener to “step back from that ledge.” For 10 points, name this band most famous for its song with a “doot-doot-doot” chorus, “Semi-Charmed Life.”

ANSWER: **Third Eye Blind**

**6. One bizarre cover of this song is a vocal version with made-up lyrics like “with a knife or a gun/he has the greatest of skill”; that vocal rendition is by the Four Esquires. This song is aurally referenced in the song “Matt Davis” by the Toasters, and the Skatalites are famous for a cover of this piece. This song was supposedly based off of a song in the musical version of *A House for Mr Biswas*, and there is some controversy over whether** John Barry or Marty Norman wrote this piece. For 10 points, name this piece famous its distinctive surf guitar riff, heard in movies like *Thunderball*, *From Russia with Love*, and *Goldfinger*.

ANSWER: the **James Bond Theme**

**7. A Pete Holmes bit about not knowing things before the Internet was invented used the example of not knowing where this musician was from. A music video for one song by this singer shows the singer discovering a cassette player with that song on it in a postapocalyptic wasteland. This musician sang “Let me get to point/ let’s roll another joint” in one song, and this musician behind “You Got** Lucky” and “You Don’t Know How It Feels” is more famous for a song where he “smoked cigarettes and stared at the moon,” “Even the Losers.” One song by this man declares “everybody’s got to fight to be free,” and another tells of a “good girl” who’s “crazy about Elvis.” For 10 points, name this musician who sang “Refugee” and “Free Fallin’,” who often performs with The Heartbreakers.

ANSWER: Tom **Petty**

**8. Aidan Mehigan once claimed that he read in some audio magazine that a test for headphone quality was listening to this album and seeing if you smile; if you smile, they’re good headphones. One hit off of this album features a 5 second fretless bass solo before its last chorus. One controversy surrounding this album involves a songwriting credit for Los Lobos. One song on this album declares “These are the days** of miracle and wonder,” and this album, which features Bakithi Kumalo, and this album’s title track says that “losing love is like a window in your heart.” This album features tracks like “Crazy Love, Vol 2,” “The Boy in the Bubble,” and “Diamonds on the Soles of Her Shoes.” For 10 points, name this album that features the hit “You Can Call Me Al,” a solo effort of Paul Simon.

ANSWER: ***Graceland***

**9. This comedian began one special by being wheeled out in a wheelchair. This comedian talked about being “dobbed” on a trip to Australia, and he opened one set with a rambling joke about how New Yorkers walk in the snow. This “comedian” writes a column for Vanity Fair online called *Straight Talk Espresso*, and this comedian’s specials have included *50* and *Live and*** *Ripped*. This performer talked about attending shows at Madam’s Organ in one interview, and he’s perhaps more famous for releasing albums like *The End of Silence* and the *Nervous Breakdown EP*. For 10 points, name this mediocre spoken word performer and DC punk icon famous for fronting a namesake band along with Black Flag.

ANSWER: Henry **Rollins**

**10. It’s not Harvey Danger, but the case for a CD by this band was frequently used to hold burned CDs in Dan Puma’s van. This band’s drummer Jacob Slichter released the excellent book *So You Wanna Be a Rock & Roll Star.* This band’s disappointing last album included singles like “Get a Grip” and “Chemistry,” and this band formed from the remnants of Trip Shakespeare. This band’s most famous song is supposedly actually about** childbirth. One song by this band begins “got your tape and it changed my mind,” and that ode to mixtapes is “Singing in My Sleep.” The music video for the most famous song by this band takes place in split-screen, as the singer and his girlfriend fail to meet up with each other. For 10 points, name this band whose album *Feeling Strangely Fine* has the hit “Closing Time.”

ANSWER: **Semisonic**

**TOSSUP 10.5 This band’s greatest notoriety probably comes nowadays from appearing on the Fueled By Ramen compilation *Mailorder is Fun!* This band’s singer founded the punk band The Stereo immediately after this band dissolved. One song by this band declares “Millions of people consider themselves equal” and another song by this band is the title track of their album *All the Kids Agree*. This band behind “The Rest Have Decided” also performed “Time-Out,” “When the Chips Are Down,” and “Seven.” For 10 points name this impossibly hard ska-punk band that released *20 Minutes from Right Now* sorry this won’t happen again.**

ANSWER: **Animal Chin**

**11. The actor who appeared in the music video for this song is otherwise best known for appearing in the *Top Gun* ripoff *Warbirds*. That actor, Cully Holland, asks, “What’s with the hair? Is that part of the new image?” This song’s music video was remade by Tom Scharpling starring Jon Wurster in the male role, and that remake was for the 2012 song** “Labrador.” This song proclaims “I try so hard not to get upset/ Because I know all the trouble I’ll get,” and it ends with the singer repeating “He said shut up” over and over again. For 10 points, name this 1980s song by new wave group ‘Til Tuesday, written by Aimee Mann.

ANSWER: “**Voices Carry”**

**12. The Richard Thompson song “Can’t Win” begins by saying, “I started to cry, they put [this beverage] in my cup,” and Merle Haggard has a song about “Misery & [this beverage].” Because they are not terribly good lyricists, Oasis demands a drink made from this beverage in their song “Supersonic.” A band named after this beverage released the album *Dusted* and kicked out lead songwriter and guitarist Doug** Hopkins after the release of their first album, prompting Hopkins to shoot himself in the head and for that band to never release another decent album. A rap song named after this beverage proclaims “So we gonna smoke an ounce to this,” and famously states “With my mind on my money and my money on my mind.” For 10 points, name this alcoholic beverage that names a band behind “Found Out About You” and “Hey Jealousy,” and Snoop Dogg’s most famous song.

ANSWER: **Gin**

**13. A comedian named Justin Hancock accurately guessed Isaac Hirsch was a fan of this band just by looking at him. The cover of this band’s first album features signs advertising 24 Hour Coffee and Truth or Sandwiches, and this band often used images of Progressive politician William White. One song off that album proclaims, “Nothing’s smelling like a rose/ but I don’t care” and another song by this band says, “The evidence had vanished from my charred and smoking chair.”** This band behind “Nothing’s Gonna Change My Clothes” and “Statue Got Me High” is more famous a song about a “Vietnamese woman they never met,” “Ana Ng.” For 10 points, name this weird New York band that sang “I’m your only friend, I’m not your only friend” in their song, “Birdhouse in Your Soul.”

ANSWER: **They Might Be Giants**

14. **One song by this band begins with a recording of a man saying, “The party is over. If you all just grab your stuff and leave, there won’t be any hassle.” This band recently released the EP *Songs for Slim*, to raise money for sometime-guitarist Slim Dunlap. One song by this band declares “I could live without so much, I could die without a clue,” and this band behind “Within Your Reach” is more famous for a frequently misheard song where the singer says “They are** watching us,” “Kiss Me on the Bus.” This group is more famous for a song that declares “I never travel far, without a little Big Star.” For 10 points, name this punk group led by Paul Westerberg that released tracks like “Alex Chilton” on albums like *Pleased to Meet Me* and *Let It Be.*

ANSWER: The **Replacements**

15. **This song samples a track that asks “Can our love that lasted so long still endure?”, “Footsteps in the Dark” by the Isley Brothers. This song’s music video begins with a girl riding her bike to her house and opening the front door, and supposed stand-up comedian Donovan Strain posted an article about this song online in 2012. This song’s music video ends with the rapper being surrounded** by police, helicopters, and SWAT teams, prompting him to shake his head and walk into his house. This song repeats the lines “Seven-- Seven Eleven-- Seven Eleven,” and the rapper boasts that he “fucked around and got a triple double.” For 10 points, name this classic rap song by Ice Cube.

ANSWER: “**It Was a Good Day**” [do not accept “Today Was a Good Day”]

16. **A man with glasses and this feature is the percussionist in the only famous Hannah Field music video. The “singer” Chris Barnes has this feature, and the singer of “Dream Catch Me,” Newton Faulkner, has this not-good physical feature. The music video for “The Science of Selling Yourself Short” reveals that the whiny-voiced guy from Less Than Jake has this hairstyle, as does the drummer from Faith No More and a man who sang, “It’s right outside your door, now testify,” Zack de la** Rocha. Other white dudes who have made this questionable hair decision include the guy from Korn and the lead singer of Incubus. For 10 points, name this hairstyle that was especially common among white dudes in the 90s, as exemplified by the “very talented pineapple” Adam Duritz.

ANSWER: White Guys with **Dreadlocks**

17. **A 2009 documentary about this man covers his post-1980 complete disappearance from music, finding him living with his children and singing mostly in church. This man sang “I don’t know who he is, but I think you do,” in “Who Is He (And What Is He to You?)” This “hero to karaoke baritones everywhere” is more famous for singing “Then I look at you, and the world’s alright with me” in “Lovely Day.” This man sang that his friends and his brother tell him that he shouldn’t let the addressee perform the title action in “Use** Me.” This man sang “It’s not warm when she’s away” in one song, and “I just might have a problem that you’ll understand” in another hit. For 10 points, name this soul singer who collaborated with Grover Washington on “Just the Two of Us,” along with producing the hits “Ain’t No Sunshine” and “Lean On Me.”

ANSWER: Bill **Withers**

18. **This song’s B-side was “Dizzy in the Daylight.” This song’s music video ends with an Asian man chasing after a car, and one band member spends the entire music video reading a newspaper. At one point in this song, the singer demands the musician who sang “Elvis is Everywhere,” and other images in this song’s music video include a pizza with a cigarette in it and zombies in a mall. The least comprehensible line of this song is apparently “It makes no sense. Your dad** is the vice president, just like the Duke of Earl,” and this song’s title character drives a stolen car and dresses like Minnie Pearl. For 10 points, name this song about a lady met at Zipperhead, the most well-known by the Dead Milkmen.

ANSWER: “**Punk Rock Girl**”

19. [*note: this tossup was written by going to my father’s vinyl collection and pulling an album at random*]

**My mother has a well-known ban on allowing my father to purchase any more live or bootleg albums by this group. One song by this group declares, “But when you get to the end, he wants to start all over again,” and this group, which Garth Hudson played keyboards for, sang “I can’t get over you and the flame still burns” in another song. This group, which released “Stage Fright,” sang “We were hungry/ just barely alive” in a song about the** Civil War, and a song where the singer meets a man named Crazy Chester on a visit to Nazareth. For 10 points, name this rock group which released “The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down” and “The Weight,” which they performed in *The Last Waltz,* the record I pulled from the shelf.

ANSWER: The **Band**

20. **MC 900 ft Jesus’s “But If You Go” features extended solos of this instrument, and David Was of Was (Not Was) often plays this instrument on tracks like “Carry Me Back to Old Morocco.” Fucked Up’s *The Chemistry of Common Life* opens with a solo played by this instrument on “Son the Father.” It’s not the sax, but Greg Ham played this instrument, leading his band to be sued for borrowing from an Australian** folk song. This instrument famously solos in the Mamas and the Papas’ “California Dreamin’,” and it also appears in “Down Under.” Undoubtedly the most famous rock player of this instrument is Ian Anderson, who plays it in Jethro Tull. For 10 points, name this woodwind instrument that is small but not a piccolo, bro.

ANSWER: **flute**

Tiebreaker: **A no-longer extant Pitchfork article I swear I read once listed a CD by one of this man’s bands as the second most common used CD in record stores, behind R.E.M.’s *Monster*. That album contains songs like “Believe What You’re Saying” and “Gift,” and is *File Under: Easy Listening*. This man is the only artist to “cover” his own song on AV Undercover, and this man’s solo albums include *Black Sheets of Rain* and the recently reissued *Workbook*, which includes the solo hit** “See a Little Light.” This man, who was also in the band Sugar, is most famous for playing in a band behind songs like “Don’t Want to Know if You Are Lonely” and “Celebrated Summer.” For 10 points, name this gay punk pioneer who was the lead singer of Husker Du.

ANSWER: Bob **Mould**