

SOTOMAYORAL QUIZ

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When we release a new nodding ceramic portrayal of a Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, our editorial colleague Greg Jacob is wont to create a corresponding quiz. And then, after he quizzes some of his colleagues in the practice of law, he sometimes presents the same challenges to our readers in these pages. See, for example, his Justice Stephen Breyer quiz (17 Green Bag 2d 371) and his Justice Robert Trimble quiz (22 Green Bag 2d 93). Our latest bobblehead, a portrait of Justice Sonia Sotomayor, is no exception in its inspiration of Mr. Jacob. What follows is his puzzling work product. Don't look at pages 256-57 until you have tried it yourself.

- The Editors

ROUND ONE

Justice Sotomayor Through the Years

- 1. On August 31, 2017, Justice Sotomayor made a surprise appearance in the "Judge's Chambers" at Yankee Stadium for a game against the Boston Red Sox. Who was the "Judge's Chambers" named for?
- For one point each, name the three Presidents who appointed Justice Sotomayor to the federal bench.
- 3. Justice Sotomayor graduated *summa cum laude* from Princeton University in 1976. When George Washington drove the British out from the University's Nassau Hall in 1777, what was the school's name?

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- 4. As a child, Sonia Sotomayor's first career inspiration was drawn from this 175-book-long series of books, pseudonymously authored by Carolyn Keene and featuring a female heroine.
- 5. Justice Sotomayor turned her focus to a career in law by age 10, inspired in part by this television lawyer who famously said, "Almost anyone is capable of a crime under certain circumstances."
- 6. Upon Justice Sotomayor's nomination to the Supreme Court, this one-time Saturday Night Live performer released a statement saying "[I]t is already clear that President Obama has chosen a remarkable jurist with an impressive record of accomplishment and a life story with which working families can identify."
- 7. Justice Sotomayor graduated from this law school, whose library also serves as the official archive of the *Green Bag*'s bobbleheads.
- 8. In 2014, Princeton awarded Justice Sotomayor a national service award named after this President just six years before it pulled the same President's name off of its School of Public and International Affairs.

ROUND TWO

Justice Sotomayor, Star of Screen

- 1. In 2012, Justice Sotomayor donned her robes and resolved a dispute between Goldilocks and Baby Bear over a broken chair on what children's show?
- 2. On June16, Triumph the Insult Comic Dog was arrested on Capitol Hill for trespassing during the January 6 hearings, at which Triumph suggested, among other amusing observations, that "If this Greg Jacob guy gets indicted he may be a flight risk you see, because of his enormous ears." When he's not in custody, Triumph appears regularly on this show, on which Justice Sotomayor also appeared in 2018.
- 3. On New Year's Eve 2013/2014, Justice Sotomayor made a Times Square appearance on this classic ABC show. (Up to three points available for the original 1972 host, the 2014 host, and the specific name of the show.)
- 4. In 2022, Justice Sotomayor appeared on *Live with Kelly and Ryan*. For one point each, name the two regular Kelly Ripa co-hosts who preceded Ryan Seacrest.

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- 5. Justice Sotomayor appeared on *The Daily Show* in 2013 to promote her book *My Beloved World*, and began with a joke about having had to engage in this activity with then-Vice-President Biden twice in the preceding two days.
- 6. In September 2018, Justice Sotomayor appeared on this daytime show with four female co-hosts. On the show, she got the co-hosts to endorse the view which she attributed to the recently deceased John McCain that "disagreement is not a reason to dismiss another human being."
- 7. In 2020, Justice Sotomayor appeared on this show, hosted in part by the same 1980s musical artist who sang the hits *Conga* and *Don't Wanna Lose You*, and related what it was like receiving the call from President Obama informing her that she would be his nominee to the Supreme Court.
- 8. In 2013, Justice Sotomayor appeared on this always timely CBS news magazine show that has run for 54 seasons.

ROUND THREE

Match the Birthdays

| O'Melveny & Myers LLP | a. November 11, 1889 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| ERISA | b. April 28, 1960 |
| Sonia Sotomayor | c. January 2, 1885 |
| Electoral Count Act | d. December 27, 1947 |
| Sherman Antitrust Act | e. July 2, 1890 |
| Foreign Corrupt Practices Act | f. July 27, 1953 |
| Scooby-Doo, Where Are You? | g. February 3, 1887 |
| The Muppet Show | h. January 3, 1959 |
| The Howdy Doody Show | i. September 13, 1969 |
| Alaskan Statehood | j. September 5, 1976 |
| Washington Statehood | k. June 25, 1954 |
| Korean War Ceasefire | l. December 19, 1977 |
| Elena Kagan | m. September 2, 1974 |

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Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor administers the oath of office to Vice President Joe Biden during the official swearing-in ceremony at the Naval Observatory Residence in Washington, DC (Jan. 20, 2013). Dr. Jill Biden holds the Biden family Bible.

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ANSWERS

Round One

- 1. Aaron Judge
- 2. H.W. Bush; Clinton; Obama
- 3. College of New Jersey
- 4. Nancy Drew
- 5. Perry Mason
- 6. Al Franken
- 7. Yale
- 8. Woodrow Wilson

Round Two

- 1. Sesame Street
- 2. The Late Show with Steven Colbert
- 3. Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve with Ryan Seacrest
- 4. Michael Strahan and Regis Philbin
- 5. Swearing him in
- 6. The View
- 7. Red Table Talk: The Estefans
- 8. 60 minutes

Round Three

c, m, k, g, e, l, I, j, d, h, a, f, b

SCORE

((____ of 10 points in Round One) +
(___ of 11 points in Round Two) +
(___ of 13 points in Round Three))/34 =
your score: ___



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