

Code Wars 2006 Quiz Prelims

1. Expand the following acronyms:

- WYSBYGI – *What You See Before You Get It*
- VERONICA – *Very Easy Rodent Oriented Net-wide Index to Computerize Archives*
- TUCOWS – *The Ultimate Collection Of Windows Software*
- CAPTCHA – *Completely Automatic Public Turing Test to tell Computers and Humans Apart*
- JUGHEAD – *Jonzy's Universal Gopher Hierarchy Excavation And Display*
- GNOME – *GNU Network Object Model Environment*
- WIMAX – *Wireless Interoperability for Microwave Access*
- SLI (3DFX) – *Scan Line Interleave*
- EDGE – *Enhanced Data rates for Global Evolution*
- UNIX – *Uniplexed Information and Computer Systems*

2. What are Xenon and Xenos?

CPU and GPU of Xbox 360, respectively.

3.* Where on the Internet would you find this quote? – “Wikipedia (Latin for crack house), 'the free encyclopedia that anyone can edit', is a satirical parody of _____, though Wikipedia claims the reverse (and correctly claims that _____ claims the reverse, and so on and so forth).”

Uncyclopedia.org – a satirical parody of Wikipedia

4. Whose motto is 'If privacy is outlawed, only outlaws will have privacy'?

Phil Zimmerman (creator of PGP)

5. Which widely-used standard did Dave Winer develop in 2002, predecessors of which were known as 'Backweb' and 'Pointcast'?

Really Simple Syndication / RDF Site Summary (RSS 2.0)

6. On Usenet, what is a 'C & C warning'?

C & C - Cats and Coffee - usually appears as 'C & C Warning!' - refers to the fact that what you are about to read is so funny that you'll spill your coffee, at which point the cat that's in your lap will leap up, scratching you with its claws. So put the coffee down and get the cat off your lap before reading this.

7. Who, or what, is '6bone'?

Testing backbone for IPv6

8. What are Raphael, Michael and Gabriel in the world of technology?

Servers of the Vatican website

9.* Why was 'Mozilla' named so?

From 'Mosaic' + 'kill', referring to that fact that it wanted to unseat Mosaic as the dominant browser. The lizard logo came from its resemblance to the name Godzilla.



10. Identify the character shown in the picture, and also name the company.
Nalu, of Nvidia



11. Identify the person in the picture.
Kevin Mitnick

12. Who said the following, and about what? – “It is like a sausage; you might like the taste of it, but you don't necessarily want to see how it's made.”
Jimmy Wales, about Wikipedia

13. In Internet history, why are 'Akebono' and 'Konishiki' famous?
'Akebono' was Jerry Yang's, and 'Konishiki' was David Filo's computer, which powered Yahoo when it started off.

14.* Who, or what, were known as 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs'?
'Snow White' was IBM, and the 'Seven Dwarfs' referred to other mainframe computer manufacturers of the time, namely, Burroughs, UNIVAC, NCR, Control Data Corporation, Honeywell, RCA and General Electric.

15. He was born on 11 March 1962 in Lower Downtown, Capital City to John and Michelle. He attended Central West Junior High and Owen Paterson High, and worked for a 'respectable software company'. Whom am I talking about?
Thomas 'Neo' Anderson

16. He is known as the 'father of the cellphone'. Whom am I talking about?
Dr Martin Cooper

17. What are 'JavaBeans'?
JavaBeans are reusable software components that can be manipulated visually in a builder tool, written in Java.

18.* Where would you find the words 'Now with 5% more Google', and why?
Winamp, after Google acquired a 5% stake in AOL.

19. Name the people who founded YouTube.
Steve Chen, Chad Hurley and Javed Karim

20.* How do we better know 'Rocky Raccoon Clark'?
Steve Wozniak. It was a pseudonym created by him when he rejoined college to complete electronics engineering.