



AVCX Trivia 2024 Puzzle #11

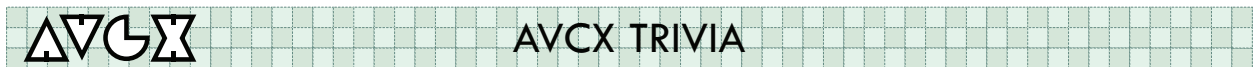
Puzzle by Aimee Lucido

- 1) **Which actor** was born in Johannesburg, South African Republic, in 1892 and rose to prominence as a Shakespearean stage actor before landing his first film role in the early 1920s? He has played swashbucklers, villains, and kings, but he is perhaps most famous for his recurring role (fourteen times over!) as a detective.
- 2) In a basketball game against the Chicago Bulls in October of 2018, Klay Thompson scored a record fourteen three-pointers in a single game, becoming the first person to surpass **what fellow teammate's** record of thirteen?
- 3) Portrayed by Martin Mull in the 1985, **which "Clue" character** begins the game between the Lounge and the Dining Room, and typically rolls second, after Ms. Scarlett and before Dr. Orchid?
- 4) Considered one of the most important knots along with the bowline and the sheet bend, **which knot** is most effectively used to secure a middle section of a rope to an object it crosses over, such as a line on a fencepost? It gets its name from the fact that, when tied correctly, the knot is cut in half by the entering and exiting strands.
- 5) A 2021 book by the oracle himself is called *Warren Buffett on Business: Principles from the [REDACTED]*. **What three-word nickname** finishes this title?
- 6) **What is the shared title** of a Lana Del Rey song from the album *Norma Fucking Rockwell!*, a Neil Young song from the 1969 album *Crazy Horse*, and a Prince song from the album *Musicology*?
- 7) Perhaps the most reproduced piece of art in world history is a design created by sculptor Victor D. Brenner in 1909. Now, over 100 years later, Brenner's work is the longest-running design in the history of **which government agency**?
- 8) In *Star Wars: Episode III—Revenge of the Sith*, **what character** was struck by a bolt of Force lightning cast by Darth Sidious, ultimately resulting in this character's presumed death by defenestration?
- 9) The oldest major soft drink in America, **which beverage** was first formulated in 1880 by pharmacist Charles Alderton in Morrison's Old Corner Drug Store in Waco, Texas?
- 10) An A-lister who is scheduled to make his Broadway debut playing Edward R. Murrow in the 2025 stage production of *Good Night, and Good Luck* is the nephew of

a Big Band singer and actress. **What is the name of the aunt**, a woman who rose to prominence in 1951 with her first big charting hit, "Come On-a My House"?

11) In a 1982 *Frank and Ernest* comic strip, **who was said to** have done "everything [Fred Astaire] did, backwards...and in heels"?

12) An "orphan initialism" is defined as an existing acronym that has been redefined as a non-acronymous word. Two examples of this are the SAT, which used to stand for the Scholastic Aptitude Test, and, of course, everyone's favorite indie puzzle publication, AVCX, which once stood for the American Values Club Xword. A third example of an orphan initialism is the name of **what restaurant chain**? A signature feature of this restaurant can be found, in a way, in the answers to questions 1-11 above.



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Answer: BASIL RATHBONE

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Answer: STEPHEN CURRY

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Answer: COLONEL MUSTARD

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Answer: CLOVE HITCH

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Answer: SAGE OF OMAHA

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Answer: CINNAMON GIRL

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Answer: US MINT

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Answer: MACE WINDU

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Answer: DR PEPPER

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Answer: ROSEMARY CLOONEY

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Answer: GINGER ROGERS

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Answer: KFC (Answers 1-11 each contain an herb or a spice, resulting in a quiz containing 11 herbs and spices)