

Round 1 Geography

1. What is the name of the official national anthem of the USA?

The Star-Spangled Banner

2. Who is the current Prime Minister of Australia?

Hon. Julia Gillard MP

3. What is the capital city of Afghanistan?

Kabul

4. Which two colours are on the flag of Poland?

Red and white

5. Captain Cook named them the Sandwick Islands in the 1770s, what are they called now.

Hawaiian Islands

6. On a Monopoly board, which street shares the same colour as Leicester Square and Piccadilly?

Coventry Street

7. The bank Santander shares its name with a town in which country?

Spain

8. Paraguay has borders with Brazil, Bolivia and which other country?

Argentina

9. The summit of Mount Everest is on the Border of which 2 countries

Nepal and China

10. What is the national currency of Egypt?

The Pound

Round 2 Art & Literature

1. 'Call me Ishmael' are the opening words of which work of literature?

Moby Dick

2. What was Miss Marple's first name?

Jane

3. In which play do Lady Bracknell's words "A handbag?!" come from?

The Importance of Being Ernest – Oscar Wilde

4. Hans Holbein the Younger was a prominent painter during the reign of which King of England?

Henry VIII

5. Who is the Greek goddess of love?

Aphrodite

6. In which Roald Dahl book does Grandma grow so big that her head breaks through the roof of the house?

George's Marvellous Medicine

7. Who wrote 'The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo'?

Stieg Larsson

8. John Constable painted the Hay Wain – but his inspiration came from a scene in which English County?

Suffolk

9. Who painted 'The Laughing Cavalier'?

Frans Hals

10. Which British Prime Minister was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature?

Sir Winston Churchill (1953)

Round 3 General Knowledge

1. In maths, what is 4 cubed?

64

2. Who is attributed with the quote “The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain.”

Dolly Parton

3. In computing, what does HTML stand for?

Hyper Text Mark Up Language

4. Who wrote the original book of Jurassic Park?

Michael Crichton

5. What are the first five amendments to the US Constitution collectively called?

The Bill of Rights

6. What is the common name for ascorbic acid?

Vitamin C

7. Who won the football World Cup in 1998?

France

8. Who made the catchphrase ‘correctomundo’ famous?

Henry Winkler as ‘The Fonz’ on the TV show Happy Days

9. In which US state was George Michael charged with ‘Lewd Behaviour’ in 1998?

California

10. Which singer’s real name is Vincent Damon Furnier?

Alice Cooper

Round 4 TV & Film

1. Which actor was the first to play Doctor Who?

William Hartnell

2. The Eastenders theme tune was given lyrics and released as a single in 1986 by Anita Dobson – but what was the sing called?

Anyone Can Fall In Love

3. Which actor played the original ‘Granddad’ in Only Fools and Horses?

Lennard Pearce

4. In 2008, Kate Winslet finally won an Academy Award for Best Actress – but which film was it for?

The Reader

5. The first three films of which child actress were Tiger Bay (1959), Pollyanna (1960) and The Parent Trap (1961)?

Hayley Mills

6. Which actress links ‘The Darling Buds of May’ and ‘Rosemary and Thyme’?

Pam Ferris

7. In which film did Kathy Bates befriend Jessica Tandy in a nursing home and hear the tale of her life?

Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe

8. And which band recorded the soundtrack to the first Highlander film?

Queen

9. What was the first Disney animated film that was not based on an already existing story?

The Lion King

10. In the film Mary Poppins, who played Mrs Banks, mother to Jane and Michael?

Glynis Johns

Round 5 Sport

1. Before 2012, in what year did Britain last host the Summer Olympics?

1948

2. Which National football team does Chelsea star Fernando Torres play for?

Spain

3. In which sport would you find the terms madhouse, bed and leg?

Darts

4. Who won the Wimbledon Men's single's championship every year between 1976 and 1980?

Bjorn Borg

5. In which Olympic event did Britain's Denise Lewis compete?

Heptathlon

6. Which football team plays at the Stadium of Light?

Sunderland F.C

7. Who won BBC Sports Personality of the Year 2010?

Jockey – A.P. McCoy

8. The nickname Whirlwind was given to which British snooker player?

Jimmy White

9. Which F1 driver was killed when he crashed into a barrier in the 1994 San Marino Grand Prix?

Ayrton Senna

10. Which English County Cricket Club did Freddie Flintoff play for?

Lancashire

Round 6 Science & Nature

1. Which chemical element has the symbol Cl?

Chlorine

2. You would call a group of elephants a 'herd', but a group of which type of bird could you call an 'unkindness'?

Ravens

3. Which is the smallest planet in our solar system?

Mercury

4. To which animal does the term 'porcine' refer?

Pigs

5. Who invented the jet engine?

Sir Frank Whittle

6. What was the name of the first British woman to travel into space?

Helen Sharman

7. Which number on the litmus scale describes a substance that is neither acid nor alkaline, but instead is neutral?

7 (or PH7)

8. A brachiectomy is the medical term for the removal of which part of the body?

The arm

9. What is the common name for ascorbic acid?

Vitamin C

10. Where would you find the 'ocean of storms'?

On the moon

Round 7 General Knowledge

1. What can be both a type of monkey and a type of blood?

Rhesus

2. Homerton is a College of which university?

Cambridge

3. How many legs do butterflies have?

6

4. Which country was originally scheduled to host the 1940 summer Olympics, before its cancellation due to the outbreak of the Second World War?

Japan (The games were originally scheduled to be held in Tokyo, they were then changed to Helsinki, and then cancelled due to the war)

5. What is the capital city of Croatia?

Zagreb

6. What is stored in a Bodega?

Sherry

7. The lotus is the national flower of which country?

India

8. Who released the single 'Stars over 45' in 1981?

Chas n' Dave

9. How many sides are there on a dodecahedron?

12

10. What is the correct collective noun for a group of gorillas?

A band