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? What organisation
was founded on 7
April 1948?

? what type of animal
is a booby?

? which comedy character
revived 'Through the
Keyhole' in the 2010's?



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1. In which Shakespeare play does a ghost walk on the battlements?
2. In Madagascar where do the animals escape from?
3. Which group had No.1 hits with 'Babe' and 'Pray' in 1993?
4. Charterhouse Public School is found in which county?
5. Whose autobiography was called Bermondsey Boy?
6. Which 1987 TV series featured the ageing rock band The Majestics?
7. What is a gallivat?
8. Which British island is 230 miles West of the Hebrides in the Atlantic?
9. Which Michael lost his Enfield seat in the 1997 general election?
10. A skulk is the collective name for a group of which animal?



Notes



1. In May 1980 the SAS stormed the embassy of which country, killing 5 terrorists and freeing all hostages?
2. Who was the intruder found in the Queen's bedroom in July 1982?
3. In what year did Torvill and Dean win a gold medal for ice dancing at the winter Olympics?
4. When did Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer marry?
5. What year did the final episode of the original 'Charlies Angels' air in the 1980's?
6. What year did Madonna make her debut?
7. In what year did the UK miners strike begin?
8. What year did Margaret Thatcher return for her second term as Prime Minister?
9. Which years of the 1980's were leap years?
10. What year did EastEnders first appear on British TV Screens?



Notes



1. In what year did Kylie Minogue release 'I Should Be So Lucky'?
2. Which musical is based on the songs of Abba?
3. What was the name of Phil Collins' first solo single?
4. What song by The Verve featured on the soundtrack for Cruel Intentions?
5. Which Aerosmith song did Run-DMC cover in 1986?
6. R. Kelly's 'I Believe I Can Fly' featured on the soundtrack of which animated film?
7. Which band's drummer lost an arm in a car accident in 1984?
8. Who sings the theme for Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves?
9. 'Take on Me' was a hit for which band?
10. 'Science Fiction / Double Feature' is the opening song from which film?



Notes



1. Who wrote 'How the Leopard Got His Spots'?
2. Who painted the picture called 'Irises'?
3. On which form of transport would you find knifeboards?
4. Handel's 'Water Music' was composed for which English King?
5. Whose hits include 'Victims' and 'Church of the Poison Mind'?
6. What is Rupert Murdoch's first name?
7. In a calendar year what is the second quarter day in England?
8. Which Fashion Designer opened a shop in 1957 called Bazaar?
9. Which actor was Rita's tutor in the film Educating Rita?
10. Which Saint has 15 July as his Feast Day?



Notes



1. Which instrument usually has 47 strings?
2. What is the main ingredient of a brick?
3. Who is Naomi Campbell?
4. What do you score in cricket?
5. In which country are the Highlands?
6. What colour are the spots on a common ladybird?
7. In 55BC, who tried to invade Britain?
8. What was Charlie's surname in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory?
9. Who wrote the Discworld series of books?
10. What sinister name is given to a group of crows?



Notes



1. Who was the star of the 2016 blockbuster 'Deadpool'?
2. Whose favourite meal is some liver and fava beans washed down with a nice Chianti?
3. In which 1993 film did Steven Spielberg win his first directing Oscar?
4. Who played the elderly combat trainer in the 2000 film 'Gladiator', his final film role before his death?
5. The Palme d'Or is the biggest prize at which International film festival?
6. The blockbuster 'Suicide Squad' is set in the aftermath of which Superhero's death?
7. In the original 1937 Disney version of 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs', which dwarf never speaks?
8. Which film features the famous line 'I think we're going to need a bigger boat'?
9. Indiana Jones had a phobia of which creatures?
10. What was Disney's 2016 follow-up their 2003 smash 'Finding Nemo'?



Notes



1. Althaiophobia is the fear of marshmallows
2. Chronomentrophobia is the fear of clocks
3. Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia is the fear of long words
4. Hypnophobia is a fear of sleep or falling asleep
5. Peladophobia is the fear of bald people
6. Panophobia is the fear of everything
7. Logizomechanophobia is the fear of computers
8. Musophobia is the fear of mice
9. Nyctophobia is the fear of dark
10. Brontophobia is the fear of thunder



Notes



1. What was invented by Sir James Dewar in 1892?
2. In 2017, Leo Varadkar became the youngest prime minister of which country?
3. Veteran Royal, Prince Philip announce his retirement from public engagements in 2017. True or False?
4. In 2018, President Macron of France announced his intention to loan Britain which historic artefact?
5. Which celebrity couple gave birth to twins, Alexander and Ella in June 2017?
6. What organisation was founded on 7 April 1948?
7. In what year did the UK adopt decimal currency?
8. There is an airport in Turkey called Batman Airport: True or False?
9. What is the only country to have a non-rectangular flag?
10. So far 12 British Prime Ministers have served under Queen Elizabeth II. True or False?



Notes



1. What was the title of The Beatles' first solo studio album, released in 1963?
2. Which British band took their name from a character in a 1985 science-fiction film?
3. Perrie, Jesy, Leigh-Anne and Jade make up which British girl band?
4. Which UK model and singer published her autobiography, Forever, in December 2017?
5. American artist Beyonce started her career in music with girl band TLC. True or False?
6. In 2014, which singer became the first female in history to have eight albums in the UK Top 40 at the same time?
7. UK singer Ed Sheeran was awarded an OBE in the 2017 Queen's Birthday Honours. True or False?
8. Which artist won all six awards for which he was nominated at the 2018 Grammy Awards?
9. Elvis Presley recorded hundreds of songs during his lifetime but didn't write any of them. True or False?
10. Singer Alecia Beth Moore is better known as who?



Notes



1. What pet did super-nurse Florence Nightingale always travel with?
2. How many assassination attempts did Queen Victoria survive?
3. The last horse-drawn bus ran in London on 25 October 1911. True or False?
4. In 2002, why did MP's sign a motion to bring cats into the Houses of Parliament?
5. What inspired 3-time Olympic Gold Medal Winner, Chris Hoy to start cycling?
6. The phrase 'Girl Power' is often associated with which 1990's girl band?
7. Is it only the male or only the female wasp that stings?
8. Which chocolate biscuit was the first to be advertised by name rather than by the company that manufactured it?
9. What breed of dog has to be delivered by Caesarean section, as their large heads mean that they can get stuck in the birth canal?
10. What is the most popular month to get married?



Notes



1. The Slaughter, Heel and Station Stones can be found where in Britain?
2. Who was the only British prime minister to have spoken English as a second language?
3. The Angel of the North was completed in 1998 and designed by which sculptor?
4. The world's oldest surviving working clock is in which British cathedral?
5. The worker bee is widely used as a symbol of which British City?
6. One American State still has the Union Jack as part of its state flag – which is it?
7. What is the only team from outside Scotland that plays in the Scottish Professional Football League?
8. Which City was the inaugural UK City of Culture in 2013?
9. Which English King's remains were discovered under a Leicester city centre car park?
10. What was Liverpool John Lennon Airport previously known as?



Notes



1. For whose death was James Earl Ray responsible for in 1968?
2. What kind of criminal did Michael Jackson sing about?
3. In which decade was fingerprint evidence first used in the UK to convict someone?
4. True or False: It is illegal in the UK to carry golf equipment in a park or open space
5. The documentary 'Making a Murderer' centred on the wrongly accused Stephen Avery. How many years did Avery serve in prison before his conviction was over turned?
6. The Gorn, Khan and the Romulans are baddies in which TV Series?
7. What superhero has an invisible jet and a Lasso of Truth?
8. Professor Moriarty is the arch enemy of Sherlock Holmes – what is his first name?
9. Which TV Comedy trio provided the voices for the 1980's Bananaman TV series?
10. What malevolent spectre, created by the novelist Susan Hill, is the villain of the second longest-running play in the West End?



Notes



1. Which competitive sport had its hi-tech clothing banned in 2010?
2. The abbreviation OS usually stands for what?
3. Which 2014 film, see's Benedict Cumberbatch play real life British cryptanalyst, Alan Turing?
4. When was the first iPhone released? July 2005, December 2006 or June 2007
5. Who recorded a song called 'Computer Love' from the album 'Computer World' in 1981?
6. What were first broadcast on the BBC on 5 February 1924?
7. What 2012 pop song became the first YouTube video to reach one billion, and the two billion views?
8. Mark Zuckerberg dropped out of which university to launch Facebook?
9. What is the name of Elon Musk's rocket manufacturing business with which he aims to colonise Mars?
10. How many foreign languages does Bill Gates speak?



Notes



1. What type of animal is a booby?
2. Name the world's first mammal to be cloned from an adult cell
3. True or False? Usain Bolt is faster than a cheetah
4. Which Progressive Rock Stars released an album entitled 'Animals' featuring Battersea Power Station on the cover?
5. In Finding Nemo, what type of fish is Nemo?
6. Who was the voice of Rocky in the animated film 'Chicken Run'?
7. Are Mammals warm-blooded or cold-blooded?
8. Which wild animal is the domesticated dog descended from?
9. Which land mammal has the largest ears?
10. Are crocodiles carnivorous or herbivorous?



Notes



1. Which futuristic method does Princess Leia use to record a call for help when her ship is captured by Darth Vader?
2. Which planet gets destroyed in Star Wars: A New Hope?
3. How many Star Wars films have starred Harrison Ford?
4. Which Indie Bands first album begins with the sound of a screaming TIE Fighter? The Supernaturals, Ash or Garbage?
5. Which sport did Anakin Skywalker excel at in Star Wars: The Phantom Menace?
6. In the first ever Star Wars live action TV series, The Mandalorian, which actor plays the title character?
7. What day of the year is known by fans as Star Wars Day?
8. Which species believed that C-3PO might be "some sort of god"?
9. Kendal Ozzel was the commanding officer of which ship?
10. Which actor was "digitally resurrected" to posthumously appear in Rogue One: A Star Wars Story?



Notes



1. Who said, 'One cannot really argue with a mathematical theorem'?
2. What album did Coldplay's 'Speed of Sound' come from?
3. In Albert Einstein's famous equation, which letter represents the speed of light?
4. Cady Heron, Mean Girls' protagonist, belongs to which extra-curricular group?
5. Which British swimmer became the first man to break 26 seconds for the 50m breaststroke in 2017?
6. Who is the patron saint of mathematicians?
7. How many months are there in twelve years?
8. A dress has a thirty percent discount applied and is on sale for £63. What was the original price of the dress before the reduction?
9. How many edges are there on a tetrahedron?
10. How many minutes are there in a quarter of a day?



Notes



1. Who sang the theme tune to Pixar's Toy Story films?
2. What was the first children's toy advertised on TV in 1952?
3. Name the classic child's toy that uses aluminium powder to create images on a small screen?
4. Name the table-top game that uses miniature football players and a flick of the finger to demonstrate your skills?
5. Which 'Robots in disguise' made the leap from toy to TV series and then feature film franchise?
6. What doll, created in 1959, was named after the inventor's daughter?
7. Play-Doh was originally invented for what purpose?
8. Which two countries banned the hula hoop in the 1950s?
9. In 2001, Yasmin, Jade, Cloe and Sasha became serious competitors to Barbie - how are these dolls collectively known?
10. What was the nationality of professor Erno Rubik, the inventor of the Rubik's Cube?



Notes



1. In 1990, the beloved chocolate bar was renamed Snickers. What was it originally called?
2. Name the British soul band fronted by Errol Brown?
3. Which fictional candyman created lickable wallpaper and everlasting gobstoppers?
4. In 2010, which British brand was taken over by Kraft?
5. When eaten, chocolate increases the levels of endorphins released into the brain. What do endorphins do?
6. Who have been selling "Chocolate Heaven Since 1911"?
7. Which Bristol company first produced chocolate in solid state bars in 1847?
8. Which chocolate bar was first manufactured in 1932 in Slough, England?
9. How many segments are there in a Terry's Chocolate Orange?
10. Which chocolate bar is "Full of Eastern Promise"?



Notes



1. What is Europe's highest active volcano?
2. Who played Reverend Scott in The Poseidon Adventure?
3. What was the name of Celine Dion's love song from the film Titanic?
4. Which country's Rugby Team were involved in a plane crash in the Andes where the survivors remained stranded for 72 days?
5. A place where an earthquake originates is called the (A) Epicentre (B) Focus or (C) Fault Line?
6. Which natural disaster can produce the fastest winds on Earth?
7. What natural phenomenon is a hypocenter associated with?
8. Indonesia and Japan have historically had the most active volcanoes. Which country ranks third?
9. More than 4,000 climbers have successfully summited Mt. Everest. About how many people have died trying to climb it?
10. What natural disaster happened in 2003 and resulted in over 50,000 deaths? (A) Indonesian Tsunami (B) European Heatwave or (C) Plague of locusts in the US



Notes



1. Which singer from New Zealand released the single 'Tennis Court' in 2013?
2. How many times has Roger Federer won Wimbledon?
3. Which force slows down a served tennis ball? (A) Gravity (B) Lift or (C) Drag
4. Which championships make up the Grand Slam?
5. The 2017 film Battle of the Sexes focuses on a tennis match between Billy Jean King and which male tennis player?
6. Which two players met in three consecutive Wimbledon finals in 1988, 1989 and 1990?
7. Roger Federer was born in which Swiss city?
8. Who did Roger Federer beat in the final to claim his first Wimbledon title in 2003?
9. Serena and Venus Williams played each other in four consecutive Grand Slam finals between 2002 and 2003. How many of those matches did Venus win?
10. How many Olympic gold medals has Andy Murray won?



Notes



1. In 2001, Angelina Jolie played the title role in a film based on which video game?
2. What is the best-selling video game of all time?
3. In which decade was Asteroids, the space shooter arcade video game released?
4. What is the longest running franchise in video gaming?
5. Which female singer released a song called 'Video Games' in 2012?
6. Which country banned Grand Theft Auto in 1998?
7. Pokémon was originally released on which videogame console?
8. Characters in videogames who cannot be outrightly controlled by players are acronymed as what?
9. Which organization officially classified "gaming disorder" as a mental-health condition in 2018?
10. What is the highest level a player can reach in "Pac-Man"?



Notes



1. Who is the Father in the Addam's Family?
2. What TV Show's theme song was entitled 'Where Everybody Knows Your Name'?
3. What did UKTV G2 become?
4. What character was played by Una Stubbs in the Wurzel Gummidge TV Series?
5. In which TV Sitcom does the character Super Hans appear?
6. Which creator and writer brought us Two and a Half Men and The Big Bang Theory?
7. Who was the founder and first president of the National Viewers' and Listeners' Association?
8. What was the name of the fictional holiday camp in Hi-de-Hi!?
9. Which comedy character revived 'Through the Keyhole' in the 2010's?
10. What is the name of Samantha's daughter in Bewitched?



Notes



1. Who played Nasty Nick Cotton in EastEnders?
2. How many times did Coronation Street's Deirdre Barlow marry?
3. Helen Worth has been in more episodes than anyone else of which soap?
4. Which soap gave us JR, Sue Ellen and Cliff?
5. Who did Larry Hagman play in Dallas?
6. Which soap would you associate with Harold Bishop?
7. The Colby's was a spin-off from which other soap?
8. What soap achieved the highest ratings on Channel 5's launch night?
9. In what street is Neighbours set?
10. What is the name of the pub in Coronation Street?



Notes



1. Which cartoon character has an anchor tattooed on his arm?
2. What type of bird is the cartoon character Foghorn Leghorn?
3. Jock and Yorky are friends of which cartoon dog?
4. 'The fastest mouse in all Mexico' is the nickname of which cartoon character?
5. In which fictitious town do Stan, Kyle, Eric and Kenny live?
6. Bugs Bunny's enemy Sam takes his first name from which National Park?
7. Which cartoon bird is famous for singing 'I Taut I Taw a Puddy Tat'?
8. Which cartoon series featured George, Jane, Judy, Elroy and a dog called Astro?
9. Which series is set in the town of Quahog?
10. How are Wayne and Lucien, residents of Soap City, referred to in the title of a cartoon series?



Notes



Quiz 1 – Pot Luck

1. Hamlet
2. Central Park Zoo, New York
3. Take That
4. Surrey
5. Tommy Steele
6. Tutti Frutti
7. A boat
8. Rockall
9. Portillo
10. Fox

Quiz 2 – 1980's

1. Iran
2. Michael Fagan
3. 1984
4. 1981
5. 1981
6. 1982
7. 1984
8. 1983
9. 1980, 1984 and 1988
10. 1985

Quiz 3 – Music

1. 1987
2. Mamma Mia
3. In The Air Tonight
4. Bitter Sweet Symphony
5. Walk This Way
6. Space Jam
7. Def Leppard
8. Bryan Adams
9. A-ha
10. The Rocky Horror Picture Show

Quiz 4 – Pot Luck

1. Rudyard Kipling
2. Van Gogh
3. Trams
4. George I
5. Culture Club
6. Keith
7. Midsummer Day
8. Mary Quant
9. Michael Cain
10. Saint Swithin

Quiz 5 – Family Quiz

1. Harp
2. Clay
3. Model
4. Runs
5. Scotland
6. Black
7. Julius Caesar
8. Bucket
9. Terry Pratchett
10. Murder

Quiz 6 – Film Night

1. Ryan Reynolds
2. Hannibal Lecter
3. Schindler's List
4. Oliver Reed
5. Cannes
6. Superman
7. Dopey
8. Jaws
9. Snakes
10. Finding Dory

Quiz 7 – True or False – Phobias

1. True
2. True
3. True
4. True
5. True
6. True
7. True
8. True
9. True
10. True

Quiz 8 – Pot Luck

1. Thermos Flask
2. Republic of Ireland
3. True
4. The Bayeux Tapestry
5. George and Amal Clooney
6. World Health Organization
7. 1971
8. True
9. Nepal
10. False

Answers



Quiz 9 – Music

1. Please Please Me
2. McFly (Marty McFly, Back to the Future)
3. Little Mix
4. Samantha Fox
5. False: Started with Destiny's Child
6. Kate Bush
7. False: He was awarded an MBE
8. Bruno Mars
9. True
10. Pink

Quiz 11 – Best of British

1. Stonehenge
2. David Lloyd George
3. Anthony Gormley
4. Salisbury Cathedral
5. Manchester
6. Hawaii
7. Berwick Rangers FC
8. Derry/Londonderry
9. Richard III
10. Speke Airport

Quiz 13 – Technology

1. Swimming
2. Operating System
3. The Imitation Game
4. June 2007
5. Kraftwerk
6. The Greenwich Time Signal (the hourly 'pips' on the radio)
7. Gangnam Style by Psy
8. Harvard University
9. SpaceX
10. None

Quiz 15 – Star Wars

1. Hologram (via an R2 unit)
2. Alderaan
3. 5
4. Ash
5. Podracing
6. Pedro Pascal
7. May 4th
8. Ewoks
9. The Executor
10. Peter Cushing

Quiz 10 – Best of British

1. Owl
2. Seven
3. True
4. To deal with the growing problem of mice
5. The 1982 Film, E.T
6. The Spice Girls
7. Female
8. Penguin
9. Bulldog
10. August

Quiz 12 – Crime & Punishment

1. Martin Luther King Jr.
2. Smooth Criminal
3. 1900's (1902 used to convict burglar Harry Jackson)
4. False (apart from Derbyshire when the law was introduced in 2015)
5. 18 years
6. Star Trek
7. Wonder Woman
8. James
9. The Goodies
10. The Woman in Black

Quiz 14 – Animals

1. A Bird (Sea Bird)
2. Dolly the Sheep
3. False
4. Pink Floyd
5. Clownfish
6. Mel Gibson
7. Warm-blooded
8. Wolf
9. (African) Elephant
10. Carnivorous

Quiz 16 – Maths

1. Professor Stephen Hawking
2. X and Y
3. C
4. The Mathletes
5. Adam Peaty
6. Saint Hubertus
7. 144
8. £90
9. 6
10. 360

Answers



Quiz 17 – Toys

1. Randy Newman
2. Mr Potato Head
3. Etch-a-Sketch
4. Subbuteo
5. Transformers
6. Barbie
7. Wallpaper Cleaner
8. Japan and Russia
9. Bratz Dolls
10. Hungarian

Quiz 19 – Disasters

1. Mount Etna
2. Gene Hackman
3. My Heart Will Go On
4. Uruguay
5. (B) Focus
6. Tornado
7. Earthquake
8. USA
9. Over 300 people
10. (B) European Heat Wave

Quiz 21 – Video Games

1. Lara Croft: Tomb Rider
2. Tetris
3. 1970's
4. Pong
5. Lana Del Rey
6. Brazil
7. Game Boy
8. NPC's
9. World Health Organization (WHO)
10. 256

Quiz 23 – Soaps

1. John Altman
2. 4 times
3. Coronation Street (Gail Platt)
4. Dallas
5. JR Ewing
6. Neighbours
7. Dynasty
8. Family Affairs
9. Ramsey Street
10. The Rovers Return

Quiz 18 – Chocolate

1. Marathon
2. Hot Chocolate
3. Willy Wonka
4. Cadbury
5. Lessen pain and decrease stress
6. Thornton's
7. Fry's
8. Mars
9. 20
10. Turkish Delight

Quiz 20 – Tennis

1. Lorde
2. Eight
3. (C) Drag
4. Wimbledon, US Open and Australian Open
5. Bobby Riggs
6. Boris Becker and Stefan Edberg
7. Basel
8. Mark Philippoussis
9. None
10. Two (2012 and 2016)

Quiz 22 – Sitcoms

1. Gomez
2. Cheers
3. Dave
4. Aunt Sally
5. Peep Show
6. Chuck Lorre
7. Mary Whitehouse
8. Maplins
9. Keith Lemon
10. Tabitha

Quiz 24 – Cartoons

1. Popeye
2. Rooster
3. Fred Bassett
4. Speedy Gonzalez
5. South Park
6. Yosemite
7. Tweety
8. The Jetsons
9. Family Guy
10. The Cramp Twins

Answers



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