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1. Which star of TOWIE died in 2015?
2. Who is the oldest Kardashian?
3. Andy Cohen is the Executive Producer of what set of reality programmes?
4. Which reality TV Show launched the career of Ben Fogle?
5. Which Big Brother star caused a race row with Shilpa Shetty?
6. Scotty T has appeared on numerous Realty TV shows, What does the T Stand for?
7. Who supposedly pleased a pig in the first series of The Farm?
8. In which series of the mid-2000's were Chavs taught how to be traditional 'ladies'?
9. Who won the British version of Hit Me Baby One More Time?
10. Which reality TV Show of 2005 had such poor ratings that it was axed after just 5 shows?



Notes



1. Which Hitchcock film featured feathered attackers?
2. Who directed and starred in Psycho 3 in 1986?
3. Which British actor won an Oscar for 'The Silence of the Lambs'?
4. Which Michelle co-starred with Jack Nicholson in Wolf?
5. Which British studios were famous for their Home movies?
6. Who did Aliens meet in 2004?
7. Who played the lead in 2007's 'I am Legend'?
8. Who directed the 2005 British horror film 'The Descent'?
9. Which 2004 British zombie comedy starred Simon Pegg and Nick Frost?
10. Which 2006 American horror film had the tagline 'They're Hungry... You're Dinner'?



Notes



1. Until 1972, only property-owners were eligible to sit on British juries
2. It was illegal for women to wear buttons in fifteenth century Florence
3. In the US, more women are the victims of domestic violence on Super Bowl Sunday than on any other day of the year
4. Winston Churchill was once prosecuted for burglary
5. In Louisiana, it is a criminal offence, punishable by 10 years in jail, to steal an alligator
6. A student at Durham University in 1971 went to bed in the dark so she didn't disturb her roommate. She woke up to find her friend murdered and the words 'Aren't you glad you didn't turn on the light!' written in blood on the wall
7. It is illegal in Mississippi to tell someone what polygamy is
8. Lee Harvey Oswald was the first person to be assassinated on live TV
9. Al Capone was the first American to make \$100 million a year
10. In China, the crime of smuggling rare animals is punishable by death



Notes



1. Where was the choirboy Aled Jones Walking in 1985?
2. Which 15-year-old girl from Glasgow was heard to 'shout' in 1964?
3. Which late-80's teen group were revamped as NKOTB in 1993?
4. Which Mary hit the number 1 spot with 'Those Were the Days' after winning Opportunity Knocks?
5. Which Genesis drummer called Phil was a former child actor?
6. The kids from which TV dance show had chart success in the 80's?
7. Sisters Alyson and Amanda Michalka are better known as which singing duo?
8. 'Baby, One More Time' was the debut single and global hit for which teenager?
9. Which group sang 'I'm A Believer' and 'All Star' in the movie Shrek?
10. Elton John sang the theme song for which 1994 Walt Disney Movie?



Notes



1. What was the sequel to 'The Incredible Journey' called?
2. Which film about rats had a theme song with lyrics by Don Black?
3. Which horse eventually had co-star billing with Gene Autry?
4. Which film was described as 'Eight Legs. Two Fangs. And an attitude'?
5. What was the Lone Ranger's horse called?
6. What is the principle lioness called in 'Born Free'?
7. Which studio made the seven official 'Lassie' films?
8. Who wrote the book on which 'Babe' was based?
9. What breed of dog features in 'K-9'?
10. Which creatures contributed to the most successful film of 1993?



Notes



1. Which children's character created by Jean de Brunhoff shares his name with one of the nicknames of Zahir-ud-din Muhammad, the founder of the Mughal dynasty in the Indian subcontinent?
2. Bela Fleck, Steve Martin and Earl Scruggs are particularly associated with playing which musical instrument?
3. In January 2009, which brand temporarily renamed their Butter Pecan ice cream to 'Yes, Pecan!' in honour of newly elected US President Barack Obama?
4. Which word can refer both to a thick soup made from pureed seafood or vegetables or a handicapping mechanism used in croquet and real tennis?
5. In 1889, the Frenchwoman Herminie Cadolle invented and patented what she initially called 'corselet-gorge'. It has been called the first modern example of which undergarment?
6. Which plant's shoots account for 99% of a giant panda's diet?
7. Which London Dry Gin was created by James Burroughs in a Chelsea distillery that he purchased in 1862?
8. Which Eltham-born comedian's book 'I Never Left Home' was 1944's bestselling non-fiction book in the US?
9. In 1962, which DIY company introduced the world's first cordless outdoor product – the cordless hedge trimmer?
10. Led by Vivian Stanshall, which eccentric British band's album 'Gorilla' contains tracks called 'Cool Britannia', the origin of that phrase, and 'Death Cab for Cutie', the origin of the band's name?



Notes



1. What is the most populous US State?
2. What name is given to the part of a beach that lies between low and high tide?
3. Is Arbroath on the East Coast or the West Coast of Scotland?
4. What term describes the Great Lakes and the Midwest States of the US, referring to economic decline and urban decay?
5. Which road runs from London to Fishguard in Wales?
6. What two modern day countries complete the Iberian Peninsula?
7. Which New England State doesn't border the Atlantic Ocean?
8. Is Chesterfield closer geographically to Sheffield or Derby?
9. Which City is the capital of India?
10. What is the most populous City of the US?



Notes



1. Whose debut album in 2000 was called 'Born to do it'?
2. Who won the first series of Fame Academy?
3. Who asked us to 'Tell Laura I Love Her'?
4. What did the band name OMD stand for?
5. Who was the oldest member of the Bee Gees?
6. Whose autobiography was called Lips Unsealed?
7. Which famous band was formed by two brothers in Muswell Hill, London in 1963?
8. Which band comprised Claire, Faye, Lisa, Ian and Lee?
9. Who directed Madonna's Vogue video?
10. How were The Stanglers originally known?



Notes



1. In which country was Mel Gibson born?
2. Who connects the rules of boxing to the downfall of Oscar Wilde?
3. Who was older, Laurel or Hardy?
4. What controversial website was created by Ross Ulbricht?
5. Who is Angelina Jolie's father?
6. Which actress was voted the American Film Institutes 'Screen Legend of the Century'?
7. In what year was Stan Lee born?
8. Grace Kelly was allegedly a member of what cult group?
9. Who was the Teflon Don?
10. Whose autobiography was entitled The Bedwetter?



Notes



1. Who is Gary Neville's Netball playing sister?
2. What were Joe DiMaggio's last words?
3. Who won BBC Sports Personality of the 20th Century?
4. What was Muhammad Ali's name at birth?
5. What famous bike company is associated with Nottingham?
6. What is the nickname of Bolton Wanderers FC?
7. At which ground do Liverpool play?
8. Of which football team was Elton John the chairman?
9. Which ex-footballer is famous for claiming that the Royal Family are 'Shape shifting reptilians'?
10. The Bella Twins are famous professionals in which field?



Notes



1. In the game of Monopoly, there are 28 properties up for grabs
2. Scallops can't swim
3. John Bishop wrote the Flanimals books
4. A Koala's diet consists of only mice and insects
5. In music, there are eight semiquavers in a minim
6. The Brazilian Wandering Spider is one of the most dangerous spiders in the world
7. Zucchini and Courgettes are the same things
8. The Richter Scale is used to measure temperature and humidity
9. The Hyena is also known as the Laughing Jackass
10. British TV Series 'Call the Midwife' is a true story based on the memoirs of Jennifer Worth



Notes



1. Which birthstone is associated with the month of January?
2. Where did Team GB finish in the London 2012 Summer Olympics medal table?
3. What do apiphobics fear?
4. In a standard deck of cards which ace usually has the largest symbol?
5. What caused about 50 million deaths all over the world in 1918?
6. In what year was the original World Trade Center built?
7. Which classic novel is subtitled 'Meg, Jo. Beth and Amy'?
8. What five spirits does a Long Island Iced Tea typically contain?
9. Which European Artist painted over 60 self-portraits?
10. Which actor appeared in 'Witness', 'Mosquito Coast' and 'Patriot Games'?



Notes



1. What was the name of the meerkat in The Lion King?
2. In the human body, where would you find the femur bone?
3. How many holes would you play in $\frac{1}{2}$ a round of golf?
4. Actress and singer Selena Gomez played the part of Alex Russo in which US teen sitcom?
5. What is the only South American country to have Portuguese as its official language?
6. What does UV stand for in terms of radiation?
7. Which TV cartoon features Tommy, Chuckie and Angelica?
8. What does the 'RSPCA' in the animal charity stand for?
9. What is the term for a score of 40-40 in tennis?
10. What is the Spanish word for the number one?



Notes



1. Which song from Natasha Bedingfield was the theme song of the MTV show The Hills?
2. In what year was the first film in the Twilight series released?
3. There were many scandals going on during the early 2000s, but nothing quite like when this golf player had his life on TV for everyone to judge. Which athlete was involved in a major cheating scandal?
4. Married to Demi Moore from 2005 to 2013, but is now happy with his second wife, Mila Kunis. Which actor is this?
5. Where did the company and social media monster "Facebook" begin in the early 2000s?
6. Which company rejected an offer to buy Netflix in 2000?
7. Which four singers released a cover of 'Lady Marmalade' in 2001?
8. In 'She's the Man', what is the name of Viola's twin brother who she impersonates?
9. Which band had a 2004 hit with 'Maps'?
10. The movie 'About a Boy' was based on whose novel of the same name?



Notes



1. Who famously sang "Happy Birthday" to President John F. Kennedy in 1962?
2. In 1962, three inmates escaped from what "inescapable" prison?
3. In the summer of 1969, several people were murdered by cult members led by which man?
4. In 1962, Andy Warhol shocked the art world with an exhibit of his paintings of what?
5. On June 16, 1963, Valentina Tereshkova became the first woman to travel in space. She spent almost three days in the Vostok 6 space capsule orbiting the Earth 48 times. Where was she from?
6. Which classic science-fiction series began in 1966?
7. In 1968, the spy ship USS Pueblo was captured by what country?
8. What was the name of the first James Bond movie, released in 1962?
9. In what year was the birth control pill approved by the FDA?
10. Which actress won an Academy Award for Best Actress in 1964 for her portrayal of Mary Poppins?



Notes



1. Which famous American comedian rose to fame on the popular 70s show Mork & Mindy?
2. After the Beatles, what did John Lennon protest about?
3. Which cult leader murdered 918 followers in 1978?
4. The 1979 Hostage Crisis occurred in...?
5. Published in 1975, *Against Our Will* by Susan Brownmiller sparked a movement to stop.....?
6. Who wrote and performed the controversial song "Sweet Home Alabama?"
7. Margaret Thatcher became the UK Prime Minister in.... ?
8. When did Jimi Hendrix die?
9. In 1975, who founded a company named Microsoft?
10. The '70s started with the devastating news that a music group was disbanding for good. Which band was it?



Notes



1. Which world famous, Nobel Peace Prize winner, passed away on 5 September 1997?
2. Tim Rice and Elton John wrote the songs for this Animated 1994 film?
3. In 1999, Dr Arpad Pusztai was attacked by the Government for criticizing what?
4. A major development in employment law saw the introduction in 1999 of the _____?
5. In 1994, which former NFL player stood trial for the murder of his wife and her friend?
6. What tragic incident happened on 31 August 1997?
7. 1999 was the year we saw which former Mouseketeer, debut with her UK and USA number 1 single?
8. Which team beat Newcastle in the final to win the 1999 FA Cup?
9. For the media, the drug of the 1990's was _____?
10. The 1992 TV Series 'Grace & Favour' brought back characters from which Sitcom?



Notes



1. In which year was Margaret Thatcher first elected as British Prime Minister?
2. How many US States border Texas?
3. In computing, what does HTML stand for?
4. In which musical would you find the songs 'Mr Cellophone' and 'Cell Block Tango'?
5. Paraguay has borders with Brazil, Bolivia and which other Country?
6. On a British Monopoly Board, what must you pass to collect £200?
7. Who was the first choice for the role of Holly Golightly in 'Breakfast at Tiffanys' before Audrey Hepburn?
8. Who was the Greek Goddess of War?
9. What is the French word for Monkey?
10. 'Now is the winter of our discontent' is the opening line to which Shakespeare play?



Notes



1. In the Christian calendar, what does 'Ash Wednesday' signify the start of?
2. What is the name of New Zealand's largest island?
3. What is the name of The Simpsons' pet greyhound?
4. How many legs does an insect have?
5. Name a country where you would spend 'Rupees'?
6. Which US Soccer Team did David Beckham play for?
7. In physics, the three states of matter are solid, liquid and _____?
8. Which superhero has been played by actors, Tobey Maguire and Andrew Garfield?
9. What nickname does pop star Rita Ora call her fans?
10. What is the capital of Portugal?



Notes



1. Which 1980's star was born William Broad?
2. Who composed the theme song for 'The Simpsons'?
3. Which film featured 'Mrs Robinson' by Simon and Garfunkel?
4. What was the first music video played on MTV when it launched in 1981?
5. What are the first names of all the original members of One Direction?
6. Rihanna had a hit with the song 'Umbrella' but who was it originally written for?
7. Neil Peart is the drummer of which band?
8. In which year was Olly Murs born?
9. Joey, Dee Dee, Johnny and Tommy were members of which band?
10. In what year was 'The Joshua Tree' by U2 released?



Notes



1. Which form of traffic control was first used in London on 16 May 1983?
2. What was the average price for a pint of milk in the early 1980's?
3. How many UK TV channels existed at the beginning of the 1980's?
4. In 1989 Muslim's in Bradford protested against which book?
5. What was the name of the Greenpeace ship which sank on 10 July 1985?
6. What was the name of the Yorkshire Ripper who was arrested for his crimes in 1981?
7. Which single gave Whitney Houston her first UK number one in 1985?
8. Who won the ladies singles most times at Wimbledon in the 1980's?
9. What date was the Humber Bridge opened?
10. Who released an album called Thriller in 1982?



Notes



1. The 2010's was a memorable decade for Royal weddings with Prince William marrying Kate Middleton and Prince Harry marrying Meghan Markle. Their cousin, Princess Eugenie, also married in 2018 - where did her wedding take place?
2. Which book was named the UK's best-seller of the decade?
3. The animated movie Frozen and its accompanying soundtrack were huge hits in the 2010s. Who provides the voice of Elsa, and the show's signature song Let It Go?
4. The 2012 London Olympics was one of the decade's most memorable events, with a spectacular opening ceremony written by Frank Cottrell-Boyce and directed by who?
5. Instagram launched in 2010, going on to become one of the biggest social media platforms of the decade. As of December 2019, what holds the record for the most-liked Instagram post?
6. Andy Murray finally won Wimbledon in the 2010s, picking up the men's singles title twice. In which year did he first win?
7. Becoming is the 2018 memoir by which former US First Lady?
8. The novels of Luke Jennings inspired which hit TV drama of the 2010s?
9. Madonna 2012's chart-topping album MDNA meant she's had No.1s in four consecutive decades. What was memorable about her BRIT awards performance in 2015?
10. She ended the decade as the Duchess of Sussex, but back in 2011 Meghan Markle was beginning a 7-season run as Rachel Zane in which TV drama?



Notes



1. Which US President was born earliest in the 29th century?
2. What do you call a pony or horse with a golden coloured coat and a flaxen mane and tail?
3. What is the codename of Halle Berry's character in the X-Men films?
4. In which film was Scotsman David Hume famous?
5. Which was the only NBA team Magic Johnson ever played for?
6. What is an Ocarina?
7. What does the TV Channel EPSN stand for?
8. In which city would you be if you were relaxing on the Copacabana Beach?
9. Which female politician was the Prime Minister of Australia between 2010 and 2013?
10. Which two colours are on the flag of Poland?



Notes



1. How many strings does a Cello have?
2. Who is Queen Elizabeth II's oldest son?
3. What is the chemical symbol for water?
4. Who wrote the Twilight series?
5. How many members did the band 'One Direction' form with?
6. In which Galaxy is Earth located?
7. What is the first element in the periodic table?
8. How many years are in a millennium?
9. What is the fastest land animal?
10. What colour is scarlet?



Notes



Quiz 1 – Reality TV

1. Nanny Pat (Brooker)
2. Kourtney
3. The Real Housewives of...
4. Castaway 2000
5. Jade Goody
6. Timlin
7. Rebecca Loos
8. Ladette to Lady
9. Shakin' Stevens
10. Celebrity Wrestling

Quiz 2 – Horror Movies

1. The Birds
2. Anthony Perkins
3. Anthony Hopkins
4. Pfeiffer
5. Hammer
6. Predator
7. Will Smith
8. Neil Marshall
9. Shaun of the Dead
10. Feast

Quiz 3 – True or False: Crime

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

Quiz 4 – Music Kids

1. In the Air
2. Lulu
3. New Kids on the Block
4. Hopkin
5. Collins
6. Fame
7. Aly and AJ
8. Britney Spears
9. Smash Mouth
10. The Lion King

Quiz 5 – Animal Stars

1. Homeward Bound
2. Ben
3. Champion
4. Arachnophobia
5. Silver
6. Elsa
7. MGM
8. Dick King-Smith
9. Alsatian
10. Dinosaurs

Quiz 6 – All answers begin with 'B'

1. Babar (The Elephant)
2. Banjo
3. Ben & Jerry's
4. Bisque
5. Bra
6. Bamboo
7. Beefeater
8. Bob Hope
9. Black + Decker
10. Bonzo Dog Doo-Dah Band

Quiz 7 – Geography

1. California
2. The Foreshore
3. East Coast
4. The Rust Belt
5. A40
6. Spain and Portugal
7. Vermont
8. Sheffield
9. New Delhi
10. New York

Quiz 8 – Music

1. Craig David
2. David Sneddon
3. Ricky Valance
4. Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark
5. Barry Gibb
6. Berlinda Carlisle
7. The Kinks
8. Steps
9. David Fincher
10. The Guildford Stranglers

Answers



Quiz 9 – People

1. USA
2. John Douglas, 9th Marquess of Queensberry
3. Stan Laurel
4. Silk Road
5. Jon Voight
6. Katherine Hepburn
7. 1922
8. The Order of the Solar Temple
9. John Gotti
10. Sarah Silverman

Quiz 10 – Sport

1. Tracey Neville
2. 'I'll finally get to see Marilyn'
3. Muhammad Ali
4. Cassius Marcellus Clay Jr
5. Raleigh Cycles
6. The Trotters
7. Anfield
8. Watford
9. David Icke
10. Wrestling

Quiz 11 – True or False

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

Quiz 12 – Pot Luck

1. Garnet
2. Third
3. Bees
4. Ace of Spades
5. An influenza pandemic
6. 1973
7. Little Women
8. Gin, Vodka, Tequila, Rum and Triple Sec
9. Rembrandt
10. Harrison Ford

Quiz 13 – Family Quiz

1. Timon
2. In your leg. It is the thigh bone
3. Nine
4. Wizards of Waverley Place
5. Brazil
6. Ultra Violet
7. Rugrats
8. Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
9. Deuce
10. Uno

Quiz 14 – 2000's

1. Unwritten
2. 2008
3. Tiger Woods
4. Ashton Kutcher
5. Harvard
6. Blockbuster
7. Christina Aguilera, Lil' Kim, Pink and Mya
8. Sebastian
9. Yeah Yeah Yeahs
10. Nick Hornby

Quiz 15 – 1960's

1. Marilyn Monroe
2. Alcatraz
3. Charles Manson
4. Soup Cans
5. Soviet Union (Russia)
6. Star Trek
7. North Korea
8. Dr No
9. 1960
10. Julie Andrews

Quiz 16 – 1970's

1. Robin Williams
2. The Vietnam War
3. Jim Jones
4. Iran
5. Sexual violence
6. Lynyrd Skynyrd
7. 1979
8. 1970
9. Bill Gates
10. The Beatles

Answers



Quiz 17 – 1990's

1. Mother Teresa
2. The Lion King
3. Genetically Modified Food (G.M)
4. Minimum Wage
5. OJ Simpson
6. Diana, Princess of Wales died in hospital after being injured in a motor vehicle accident in a road tunnel in Paris
7. Britney Spears
8. Manchester United
9. Ecstasy
10. Are You Being Served?

Quiz 19 – Family

1. Lent
2. South Island
3. Santa's Little Helper
4. Six
5. India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan Sri Lanka, Mauritius or Seychelles
6. LA Galaxy
7. Gas
8. Spider-Man
9. Ritabots
10. Lisbon

Quiz 21 – 1980's

1. Wheel Clamps
2. 20p
3. Three
4. The Satanic Verses
5. Rainbow Warrior
6. Peter Sutcliffe
7. Saving All My Love For You
8. Martina Navratilova
9. 24 June 1981
10. Michael Jackson

Quiz 23 – Pot Luck

1. Lyndon B Johnson
2. A Palomino
3. Storm – Her real name is Ororo Munroe
4. Philosophy
5. LA Lakers
6. A musical instrument
7. Entertainment Sports Programming Network
8. Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
9. Julia Gillard
10. Red and White

Quiz 18 – Pot Luck

1. 1979
2. Four – Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Arkansas
3. HyperText Markup Language
4. Chicago
5. Argentina
6. Go
7. Marilyn Monroe
8. Athena
9. Singe
10. Richard III

Quiz 20 – Music

1. Billy Idol
2. Danny Elfman
3. The Graduate
4. Video Killed The Radio Star by The Buggles
5. Harry, Liam, Zayn, Niall and Louis
6. Britney Spears
7. Rush
8. 1984
9. The Ramones
10. 1987

Quiz 22 – 2010's

1. St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle
2. Fifty Shades of Grey by EL James
3. Idina Menzel
4. Danny Boyle
5. A picture of an egg
6. 2013
7. Michelle Obama
8. Killing Eve
9. She fell of the stage
10. Suits

Quiz 24 – Family

1. Four
2. Prince Charles
3. H2O
4. Stephenie Meyer
5. Five
6. The Milky Way
7. Hydrogen
8. 1000
9. Cheetah
10. Bright red

Answers



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