

ChronQuizicle August 9



"Put the phone down. Pick the wrong answer with confidence"

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- 1. 12 hours (from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.)
- 2. Mikhail Gorbachev

Answer

- The United States
- Hurricane Irma
- Charles Bronson
- 6. Frank Bruno
- 7. Hey Jude
- 8. Vladimir Lenin
- 9. Mary Shelley
- 10. Liverpool
- 11. The BBC
- 12. 24 hours and 18 minutes

 Before the law changed, pubs in Britain had to close every afternoon — a holdover from World War I rules designed to keep munitions workers sober and productive.

Did You Know?

- Mikhail Gorbachev's reforms of glasnost (openness) and perestroika (restructuring) helped end the Cold War but also accelerated the Soviet Union's collapse.
- The U.S.-led Operation Allies Refuge marked one of the largest air evacuations in history, airlifting more than 120,000 people from Kabul in 2021.
- 4. When Hurricane Irma, a Category 5 storm, tore through the Caribbean and Florida, ranking among the most powerful Atlantic hurricanes ever recorded.
- Charles Bronson's rugged screen presence made him a Hollywood icon, best known for his tough, vengeance-driven roles in the Death Wish series.
- 6. Prank Bruno, one of Britain's most beloved boxers, became as famous for his warmth and catchphrases as for his victories in the ring.
- Paul McCartney wrote "Hey Jude" for John Lennon's young son Julian, offering comfort as his parents' marriage came to an end.
- The assassination attempt on Vladimir Lenin was part of a wave of violence against the Bolsheviks — his survival only strengthened his grip on power.
- 9. Mary Shelley's Frankenstein was born from a ghost-story challenge at Lake Geneva, inspiring her to create one of literature's most enduring monsters.
- ting John granted Liverpool borough status to boost trade and maritime growth

 a move that helped the city rise into a global port powerhouse.
- 11. in The BBC's first police appeal broadcast about the Stanley Hobday case was a milestone in using radio to help solve crimes, shaping public service broadcasting.
- 12. Strom Thurmond's record-breaking filibuster against the Civil Rights Act lasted over 24 hours a marathon protest that went down in U.S. political history.