

IRISH OPEN 2019

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Irish Quiz Organisation

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Rules:

The quiz consists of six written rounds, each of 40 questions. **All six rounds** count towards a player's overall score. The quiz is split in two halves, three rounds per half and with **60 minutes** allowed per half.

Where asked for a person's name, a surname will suffice, unless specifically asked for given or first names. Remember that a correct surname with an incorrect given or first name is a wrong answer!

This is not a spelling contest, so we will be reasonably lenient on spelling.

First Half:

- Art & Culture (*history, philosophy, mythology, fine art etc.*)
- Civilisation (*human geography, cultures, religion, technology, current affairs etc.*)
- Entertainment (*music, literature, theatre, magazines, TV, radio, films etc.*)

Second Half:

- **Lifestyle** (*health & fitness, celebrities, food & drink, fashion, handicrafts etc.*)
- **Physical World** (*physical geography, science, nature, flora & fauna etc.*)
- **Sport & Games** (*sport, hobbies & pastimes etc.*)

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Lifestyle

1	Which giant multinational corporation , that designs and sells ready-to-assemble furniture, was founded in Sweden in 1943 by 17-year-old carpenter Ingvar Kamprad?	
2	Which German fashion designer was the creative director of the French fashion house Chanel from 1983 until his death in February 2019, at the age of 85?	
3	Since 2005, when they acquired rival Wenger, Victorinox have been the sole company producing which multi-use tool ?	
4	The object of a decades-long battle between Australia and New Zealand over where it was invented, which dish is a meringue dessert with a crisp crust and soft, light inside, usually topped with fruit and whipped cream?	
5	Invented by Italian engineer Alfonso Bialetti in 1933, which stove-top or electric coffee maker brews coffee by passing boiling water pressurized by steam through ground coffee?	
6	Which word links: removing the comb, wattles and sometimes earlobes of poultry, the transfer or copying of previously recorded audio material from one medium to another and the central act in the rite of passage ceremonies conferring knighthood?	
7	Seville orange trees brought from Spain in 1527 did not thrive in the arid climate and soil of this Southern Caribbean island. As the trees were then abandoned, the fruit evolved into the green and inedible bitter laraha. The dried peels of the laraha, however, were discovered to be pleasantly aromatic and experimentation with the extracts of these peels led to the creation of which liqueur with an unlikely colour?	
8	An affogato (Italian for "drowned") is an Italian dessert that usually takes the form of a scoop of vanilla gelato or ice cream topped or "drowned" with a shot of what ?	
9	The Lakhta Center is an 87-story skyscraper built in the outskirts of Saint Petersburg, Russia, which at 462 metres (1,516 ft) tall, is the tallest building in Europe. It is owned by which Russian company founded in 1989, which carries on the business of extraction, production, transport, and sale of natural gas?	
10	Which type of pale lager takes its name from the Czech city where it was first produced in 1842 by Bavarian brewer Josef Groll?	

Lifestyle

11	The following are a list of which type of food that have some level of protection of their unique characteristics, usually relating to their method of preservation or location of production or processing: Pražká Šunka, Lacón Gallego, Xuanwei and Prosciutto di Parma.	
12	Typically done with three layers: the top fabric, batting or insulating material and backing material, which process of sewing two or more layers of fabric together to make a thicker padded material is used to create bed coverings, art/wall hangings, clothing and a variety of textile products?	
13	What name is shared by a type of turnover filled with various Italian cheeses and meats or vegetables and one of the three active volcanoes in Italy, located on a small island just north of Sicily?	
14	Government issued banknotes began to be used in 11th century China. Since then, they have been used by various countries, usually concurrently with commodity currencies. What is the name for a currency without intrinsic value that has been established as money, often by government regulation?	
15	What mixture of flour and fat cooked together is used as a thickening agent for gravy, sauces, soups and stews? It is used in three of the five mother sauces of classical French cooking: béchamel sauce, velouté sauce, and espagnole sauce.	
16	In the late 1980s, which motor manufacturer attempted to diversify in the Japanese market by launching three new marques? The company created Autozam (entry level), Eunos (fun to drive, upscale), and ěfini (luxury). This selective marketing experiment ended in 1998, when all three marques were reintegrated back in to the parent company.	
17	South Korean multinational conglomerate LG Corporation was formed by the merger of which two companies in 1983? From then until 1995, the company officially traded under the name of the two companies, with a hyphen between them. In that year, incoming chairman Koo Bon-moo renamed the company, using the two first letters of the names of the companies.	

Lifestyle

18	Which energy drink was introduced by Hansen Natural Company in April 2002? Its manufacturer, which renamed itself to the name of the drink in 2012, is known for supporting many extreme sports events such as Ultimate Fighting Championship, Moto GP, Motocross, skateboarding and snowboarding, as well as electronic sports.	
19	Setsubun (節分) is the day before the beginning of spring in Japan. It is marked by a special ritual is called mamemaki, in which what items are thrown either out the door or at a member of the family wearing an Oni (demon or ogre) mask, while the people say "Demons out! Luck in!" ?	
20	It is an ancient funeral custom of some ethnic groups, especially the Bo people of southern China, to place which items on beams projecting outward from vertical faces such as mountains, in caves in the face of cliffs or on natural rock projections on mountain faces?	
21	Which cartoon character , created by Joanna Ferrone and Sue Rose in 1985, was licensed to PepsiCo in 1987 and subsequently used on numerous products, particularly ads for lemon and lime flavoured drink 7-Up?	
22	In the field of psychology, which effect is a cognitive bias in which people mistakenly assess their cognitive ability as greater than it is? The effect was first described in a 1999 study by the two social psychologists after whom it is named.	
23	Englishman Tom Jago (1925 – 2018) created which Irish liqueur whilst working for what was then called Gilbeys of Ireland (now International Distillers & Vintners) in the early 1970s, with the product first being sold in 1974?	
24	A common sight at weddings, what is the name of a formal headpiece for women, a style of millinery originally of lightweight knitted fabric? Since the 1990s the term refers to a type of formal headwear worn as an alternative to the hat: it is usually a large decorative design attached to a band or clip, sometimes even incorporating a base to resemble a hat.	
25	A paste made from the ground rhizomes of <i>Eutrema japonicum</i> is used as a pungent condiment for sushi and other foods. What is the common name for this plant, which grows naturally along stream beds in mountain river valleys in Japan?	

Lifestyle

26	Which filled French choux pastry ball , with a typically sweet and moist filling of whipped cream, custard, pastry cream or ice cream, are often served at weddings in France and Italy and during the Christmas holiday in France, where they are assembled into a type of pièce montée called croquembouches?	
27	American writer Sylvia Wright coined which term in 1954, writing that as a girl she had misheard the lyric of the 17th century ballad <i>The Bonnie Earl o' Moray</i> "and laid him on the green"? The term is now used for any mishearing or misinterpretation of a phrase (as a result of near-homophony), that gives it a new meaning.	
28	Operated by Journey Beyond Rail Expeditions, it takes 54 hours to travel the 2,979 kilometres (1,851 mi) with a four-hour stopover in Alice Springs. What is the name of this Australian passenger train service between the cities of Adelaide, Alice Springs and Darwin? The name is an abbreviated version of its previous nickname, which cites a country 8,000km away.	
29	What was the surname of Anni and Josef a married couple who met while both were at the Bauhaus in Weimar? Anni became a famed textile artist and printmaker, credited with blurring the lines between traditional craft and art, while Josef was an educator whose work formed the basis of modern art education programs of the twentieth century.	
30	New Year's celebrations that take place in Southeast Asian nations such as Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, and Thailand as well as among the Dai people of China, are notable for what behaviour ? Traditionally it is carried out as a sign of respect but it's also surely not a coincidence that the new year falls during the hottest month in South East Asia.	
31	The fragrant oil in the root bark of which deciduous trees in the family Lauraceae, native to eastern North America and eastern Asia, is used either directly or purified for its main constituent safrole, which is used in the synthesis of aroma compounds in the making of perfume?	
32	Originating in French cafés and bars as a quick snack, <i>A croque monsieur</i> (French for "mister crunch") is a baked or fried ham and cheese sandwich. What is added to a croque monsieur to turn it into a <i>croque madame</i> ?	

Lifestyle

33	Amrut is a brand of single malt whisky, manufactured by Amrut Distilleries, that was launched on the 24th of August 2004 in Glasgow, Scotland. It is the first single malt whisky to be made in which Asian country ?	
34	In 1984 the shooting of an advert for which brand became a nightmare for its star, Michael Jackson, when sparks from fireworks landed in his heavily gelled hair and caught fire? Jackson ended up with second- and third-degree burns, injuries so severe it is thought that they may have sparked the painkiller addiction that would eventually result in his death.	
35	Which seemingly contradictory term is used to describe a dress code or social norm which sets an upper limit on the amount of clothing that can or should be worn? For example, in 1999, the beach volleyball regulatory body set a limit on the amount of clothing allowed for the athletes to wear during competition, including the specification of swimsuits as uniforms for women.	
36	Which classic cocktail , thought to have been invented around the end of World War I in either London or Paris and named for a motorcycle attachment, is traditionally made with cognac, orange liqueur (Cointreau, Grand Marnier, Dry Curaçao, or some other triple sec) and lemon juice?	
37	(PIC) It lasts for a night and a day, starting on the evening of the Purnima (Full Moon day) in the Hindu calendar month of Phalgun, which falls around middle of March in the Gregorian calendar. The playful throwing of natural coloured powders called gulas is part of which ancient Hindu festival marking the arrival of Spring?	
38	(PIC) Introduced by Herman Miller Inc. in 1947, this table comprises a wooden base composed of two identical curved wood pieces, and a heavy plate glass top. It was designed by which Japanese American artist and industrial designer, after whom it is named?	
39	(PIC) Which French-language news magazine that covers major national and international news along with celebrity lifestyle features has been published weekly since 1948?	

Lifestyle

40	(PIC) By what name is <i>Lentinula edodes</i> , an edible mushroom native to East Asia which is cultivated and consumed in many Asian countries, better known? It is considered a medicinal mushroom in some cultures and is also used extensively in cuisine. For example, in Japan, they are served in miso soup, used as the basis for a kind of vegetarian dashi, and as an ingredient in many steamed and simmered dishes.	
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Physical World

1	By area the largest country in sub-Saharan Africa, and the second-largest in all of Africa (after Algeria), the Democratic Republic of the Congo was officially known by what name between 1971 and 1997?	
2	Of the seven countries that make up the region known as Central America, which is the smallest by population?	
3	Its name comes from a Greek word meaning "juice". Which semi-fluid mass results from the mechanical and chemical breakdown of a bolus and consists of partially digested food, water, hydrochloric acid, and various digestive enzymes and is expelled by the stomach, through the pyloric valve, into the duodenum?	
4	Founded as the fort of Godt-Haab in 1728, and today home to almost a third of the island's population, what is the name of the capital and largest city of Greenland?	
5	Which soft, white, porous, sedimentary carbonate rock , a form of limestone composed of the mineral calcite, forms under reasonably deep marine conditions from the gradual accumulation of minute calcite shells (coccoliths) shed from micro-organisms called coccolithophores? It has greater resistance to weathering and slumping than the clays with which it is usually associated, thus forming tall, steep cliffs where ridges of it meet the sea.	
6	Ranked the 15th largest island in the world by land area, it is the economic and political center of the nation, being home to the country's capital Manila, as well as Quezon City, the country's most populous. What is the name of the largest and most populous island in the Philippines?	
7	What experience is characterized by a static-like or tingling sensation on the skin that typically begins on the scalp and moves down the back of the neck and upper spine? It is most commonly triggered by specific auditory or visual stimuli, which has led to it becoming a phenomenon on Youtube, with over 13 million videos existing, as of January 2019.	
8	In June 2013, this country's National Assembly approved a bill to grant a 50-year concession to finance and manage the project to the private company HKND Ltd., headed by Wang Jing, a Chinese billionaire. However, because Wang's personal wealth declined greatly as a result of the 2015–16 Chinese stock market crash, this project to construct a rival to the Panama Canal now appears to have been shelved as no work has yet taken place. In which country was this new canal supposed to have been constructed?	

Physical World

9	Stangely, the lowest and highest points in the contiguous United States are found in the same state and only about 84 miles (135 km) apart. Which state?	
10	Named after a famed English scientist who contributed to the study of electromagnetism and electrochemistry, what is the SI derived unit of electrical capacitance , the ability of a body to store an electrical charge?	
11	<i>Rabbit-Proof Fence</i> is a 2002 Australian drama film, the plot of which follows three Aboriginal girls as they walk for nine weeks along 2,400km (1,500 miles) of the rabbit-proof fence of the title, in which Australian state?	
12	The queens of which eusocial insects , that are classified at the taxonomic rank of infraorder Isoptera, have the longest lifespan of any insect in the world, with some queens reportedly living up to 30 to 50 years?	
13	What name is next in this sequence: Akmoly, Akmolinsk, Tselinograd, Akmola, Astana, _____?	
14	In mathematical operation, written as b^n , if b is the base what is n? When n is a positive integer, this operation corresponds to repeated multiplication of the base n times.	
15	Which two rocky, mesa-like islands are located in the middle of the Bering Strait between mainland Alaska and Siberia? Known as 'Big' and 'Little', they are noteworthy for being separated by the International Date Line.	
16	The Meeting of Waters is the confluence between the dark (blackwater) Rio Negro and the pale sandy-colored (whitewater) Amazon River or Rio Solimões. For 6 km (3.7 mi) the two rivers' waters run side by side without mixing. It is one of the main tourist attractions of which city , the site of four matches in the 2014 FIFA World Cup?	
17	Purely from a co-incidental spelling, the name of which southern hemisphere country appears in the title of a song written by Jimi Hendrix and recorded in 1968 for the third Jimi Hendrix Experience album <i>Electric Ladyland</i> ?	
18	Native to West Africa, the Indian Ocean and Western Pacific region <i>Cynanchum viminalis</i> is a leafless succulent plant in the milkweed family. It is known by the same name as which fairy tale , in the collection assembled by the Brothers Grimm, first published in 1812?	

Physical World

19	Which bay , roughly triangular in shape, on the south coast of Brittany in France, is sheltered to the south-west by the islands of Belle-Île, Houat and Hoëdic? It has been the site of several naval battles, including very significant ones in 56 BCE and 1759 CE, and in 1795 saw a disastrous failed invasion by émigré, counter-revolutionary troops who hoped to bring an end to the French Revolution and restore the French monarchy.	
20	Prior to the 1950s, the vast majority of this type of fruit traded internationally were of the Gros Michel variety. However, since that cultivar was devastated by Panama disease, now almost all examples of this fruit traded are of the Cavendish type. What fruit?	
21	Which mountain range in northern Iran stretches from the border of Azerbaijan along the western and entire southern coast of the Caspian Sea and finally runs northeast and merges into the Aladagh Mountains? It is divided into Western, Central and Eastern sections, with the central range overlooking Tehran.	
22	Described as the only place on Earth that is habitable but not claimed by any recognised government, Bir Tawil is a 2,060 km ² (800 sq mi) area along the border between which two African countries?	
23	Which city of almost 1,000,000 people , situated almost directly east of Toyko and capital of a prefecture of the same name, is home to the longest suspended monorail in the world?	
24	Shown in research to perform a primary role in the processing of memory, decision-making and emotional responses, what are the almond-shaped clusters of nuclei located deep and medially within the temporal lobes of the brain in complex vertebrates, including humans?	
25	When New Zealand was separated from New South Wales in 1840 and established as a colony in its own right, the Royal Charter effecting this declared it to be made up of three provinces, known respectively as 'New Ulster', 'New Munster', and 'New Leinster'. The New Leinster province was located on which island , situated 30 kilometres (19 mi) south of the South Island, across the Foveaux Strait?	

Physical World

26	The rheas are large ratites (flightless birds without a keel on their sternum bone) in the order Rheiformes, native to South America, that are distantly related to the ostrich and emu. There are two extant species of rhea: the greater or American rhea and the lesser, which also has a second name, that of which famous 19th century scientist ?	
27	The prime ministers of which two countries signed a Land Boundary Agreement in 1974 to exchange all enclaves (of which there were 162) and simplify the fifth-longest land border in the world? Whilst one nation ratified the agreement the other did not and it wasn't until the completion of fresh talks in 2011, that both ultimately ratified a new agreement, which came into force on 7th May 2015.	
28	What is the botanical name of a false stalk or trunk made of the rolled bases of leaves which, in the example of the banana, can be several metres tall and capable of supporting a bunch that weighs 50 kg or more?	
29	One of the thankfully rarer examples, Koumpounophobia is the fear of what type of fastener for joining two pieces of fabric together?	
30	What is the famous two word nickname of <i>Uraba lugens</i> , aka the gum-leaf skeletoniser, a moth of the family Nolidae, that is found in Australia and New Zealand? The nickname comes from its distinctive exoskeletal feature: every time it sheds the head portion of its exoskeleton, the exoskeleton stays attached to its body.	
31	What is the name of the geographical and historical region straddling Central and Eastern Europe that is currently divided among three countries? The eastern part lies in western Romania, the western part in northeastern Serbia and a small northern part lies within southeastern Hungary. The region was home to a very short-lived republic in 1918.	
32	The north and south celestial poles are the two imaginary points in the sky where the Earth's axis of rotation, indefinitely extended, intersects the celestial sphere. The north celestial pole currently is within one degree of the bright star Polaris in the constellation of Ursa Minor. The south celestial pole currently lies within which constellation , devised by French astronomer Nicolas Louis de Lacaille in 1752 and named for a navigational instrument?	

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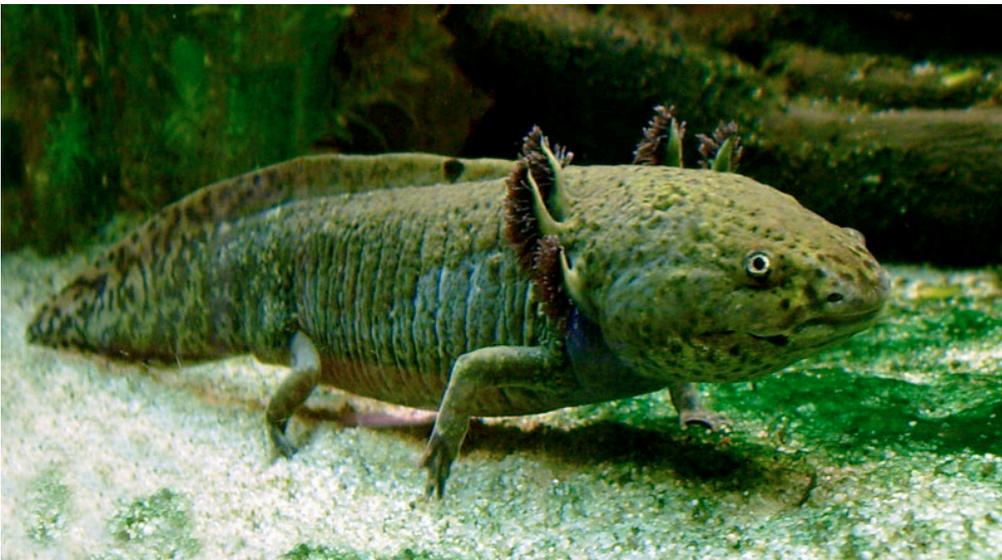
33	Until 1852, it was assumed to be the highest mountain in the world until the Great Trigonometrical Survey of India in 1849 came to the conclusion that Mount Everest, known as Peak XV at the time, was the highest. What is the name of this mountain , now officially the world's third-highest, that forms a part of the border between India and Nepal?	
34	Born in England, she emigrated to the USA in 1923. In 1925, she became the first person to earn a PhD in astronomy from Radcliffe College (now part of Harvard). Which American astronomer and astrophysicist proposed in her 1925 doctoral thesis that stars were composed primarily of hydrogen and helium, a conclusion that was initially rejected because it contradicted the scientific wisdom of the time?	
35	Various rhizomes of this plant are used in traditional Asian cuisines, such as Thai and Lao tom yum and tom kha gai soups, Vietnamese Huế cuisine and throughout Indonesian cuisine, as in soto. Polish Żołądkowa Gorzka vodka is also flavoured with it. Which plant species is this, a member of the Zingiberaceae (ginger) family?	
36	Not to be confused with a subregion of Oceania, what is the name (derived from the Greek words for "islands of the fortunate") for the collection of four archipelagos (Azores, Madeira, Canary Islands and Cape Verde) in the North Atlantic Ocean?	
37	(PIC) The ninth largest object in the Solar System, it is the largest without a substantial atmosphere. What is the name of this satellite of Jupiter , the largest and most massive of the Solar System's moons?	
38	(PIC) Although it is colloquially known as the "Mexican walking fish", it is not a fish, but an amphibian. Which species , originally found in several of the lakes underlying Mexico City, is unusual among amphibians in that they reach adulthood without undergoing metamorphosis?	
39	(PIC) What is the name of this interpreted, high-level, general-purpose programming language that was created by Guido van Rossum and first released in 1991? Its design philosophy emphasizes code readability with notable use of significant whitespace.	
40	(PIC) What is the curve in the upper surface of a liquid close to the surface of the container or another object, caused by surface tension, called? It can be either concave or convex, depending on the liquid and the surface.	

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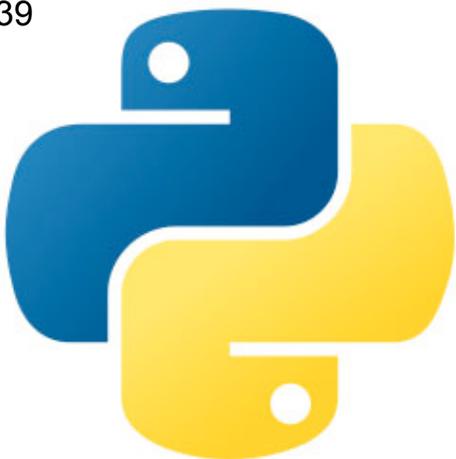
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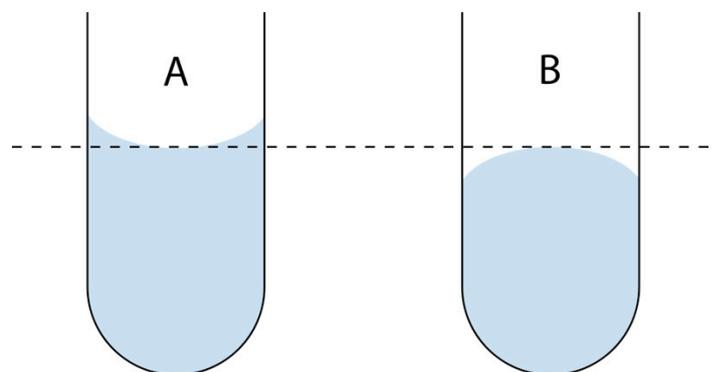
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Sport & Games

1	Following her defeat of Serena Williams in the final of the 2019 US Open, which professional tennis player became the first Canadian, and the first player born in the 2000s, to win a Grand Slam singles title?	
2	Now in its 88th year, this annual Irish event is claimed by its organisers the NPA as the largest outdoor event in Europe. Taking place on a site of 700 acres (c 283 hectares) and featuring over 1,500 exhibitors, who are mostly promoting agricultural products, it saw 291,500 attendees over the three days of the 2017 event. Beside all this commerce though, as its name makes clear, the event is still based on people competing in what agricultural activity ?	
3	On the date of this quiz taking place, the 2019 Rugby World Cup finals are taking place in which country , the first time the tournament is to be held in Asia, and outside the traditional heartland of rugby union?	
4	Which Irish professional golfer won his first major title when he finished six strokes ahead of the field at the 2019 Open Championship at Royal Portrush Golf Club in July 2019?	
5	Which Australian swimmer is the only woman to win the Olympic 100m freestyle more than once and is the only person to have won the event a record three times?	
6	With a capacity of 49,000, it is known for its distinctive shape, with a 'flat' stand on one side of the pitch and three steep stands round the rest of the stadium. Officially Estadio Alberto J. Armando, by what nickname is the home of Argentine football club Boca Juniors much better known?	
7	In August 2020, the 75th edition of the Vuelta a España will start in which city in the Netherlands? Having already hosted the Grand Depart of the 2015 Tour de France and also a Giro d'Italia stage in 2010, it will become the first 'foreign' city to have hosted all 3 Grand Tours.	
8	What recreational activity , first carried out in New Zealand in 1994, entered the Concise Oxford English Dictionary in 2001 where it was defined as: "a sport in which a participant is secured inside an inner capsule in a large, transparent ball which is then rolled along the ground or down hills"?	

Sport & Games

9	Which Ice Hockey franchise were in last place in the National Hockey League in January, but rallied to make the playoffs, where they advanced to the finals against the Boston Bruins and won the first Stanley Cup in the franchise's history?	
10	Unsurprisingly, as he has won 20 Grand Slam singles titles, tennis superstar Roger Federer is one of eight men to have achieved a Career Grand Slam. Which of the sports major singles titles has he only won once?	
11	In 2018, his headline bout with Conor McGregor at UFC 229 drew 2.4 million pay-per-view buys, the most ever for an MMA event. From which federal subject (a republic) of Russia does current UFC Lightweight champion Khabib Nurmagomedov hail?	
12	The women's doubles event in which sport at the 2012 Summer Olympics became embroiled in controversy during the group stage when eight players (two pairs from South Korea and one pair each from China and Indonesia) were ejected from the tournament after being found guilty of "not using best efforts" by playing to lose matches in order to manipulate the draw for the knockout stage?	
13	Which garment , usually made of foamed neoprene, is worn by surfers, divers, windsurfers and people engaged in other activities in or on water, primarily to provide thermal insulation, but also buoyancy and protection from abrasion, ultraviolet exposure and stings from marine organisms?	
14	The team representing India in which sport was dominant in Olympic competition for several decades, winning eleven medals in twelve Olympics between 1920 and 1980, including 8 gold medals in total and six successive gold medals from 1928–1956?	
15	Which Italian professional footballer , who played as a central defender, was found dead in his hotel room prior to a league match on the 4th March 2018? Aged just 31, his autopsy revealed cardiac arrest to have been the cause of death.	
16	Born in 1975, this vault specialist still competes internationally today. Which gymnast , who won team gold at the 1992 Summer Olympics, is the only female gymnast ever to compete in seven Olympic Games?	

Sport & Games

17	He joined Nintendo in 1977, when it was moving into video games away from the Japanese playing cards it had made since 1889. Which Japanese video game designer and producer, whose games have been flagships of every Nintendo video game console, created titles such as <i>Mario</i> , <i>The Legend of Zelda</i> , <i>Star Fox</i> and <i>Donkey Kong</i> ?	
18	Which professional footballer , who plays as a striker for the Division 1 Féminine club Olympique Lyonnais, was the first-ever recipient of the Ballon d'Or Féminin (2018)? Since 2017 she has refused to play for her native Norway in international competition due to a dispute with the NFF about how they treat women's football.	
19	Founded in 1909, this team is frequently referred to in English and French as the Habs. Which NHL team has won the Stanley Cup on 24 occasions, 11 more than the second-placed team?	
20	Whilst playing for the DJK Würzburg basketball club, he was chosen as the ninth pick in the 1998 NBA draft by the Milwaukee Bucks but was immediately traded to the Dallas Mavericks, where he played his entire 21-year National Basketball Association (NBA) career. Which basketballer led the Mavericks to 15 NBA playoff appearances, including the franchise's first finals appearance in 2006 and its only NBA championship in 2011, when he was awarded the NBA Finals Most Valuable Player Award?	
21	First built in 1845 to provide horse racing for the European residents of Hong Kong, it is one of two racecourses used by the Hong Kong Jockey Club for horse racing meets. In 1918, at which racecourse did at least 590 people die following a fire caused by the collapse of a temporary grandstand?	
22	The Cresta Run, located in the Alpine resort town of St. Moritz is the most famous track used in which sport , twice appearing in the Olympic program, in 1928 and 1948, before being added permanently for the 2002 Winter Olympics, at which stage a women's race was added?	
23	Referred to as Australian sport's greatest rivalry, the Rugby League State of Origin series, an annual best-of-three set of matches between two Australian state representative sides, is one of Australia's premier sporting events. Which two states are represented in these matches?	

Sport & Games

24	The pastime known as spelunking in the United States and Canada and potholing in the United Kingdom and Ireland is the recreational exploring of wild (generally non-commercial) examples of what?	
25	At the 1993 World Championships in Athletics Qu Yunxia became the final gold medal winner at which event , that had been a standard event in the Olympic Games (1984 to 1992) and World Championships (1980 to 1993)? It is still contested and is the longest distance event present at the IAAF World Indoor Championships.	
26	Which four-time world champion professional snooker player has been defeated in the last three finals of the World Snooker Championship?	
27	Noah Brusso is the only Canadian-born World Heavyweight Boxing Champion. After winning the title by defeating Marvin Hart in Los Angeles on February 23rd, 1906, he held it until December 26th, 1908, when he was defeated by Jack Johnson in Sydney, Australia. Under what name did Brusso fight?	
28	Egyptian men Amr Shabana and Rami Ashour and female player Raneem El Weleily have between them since the year 2003, won 8 World Championship titles in which racket sport?	
29	Who is the only South African to win the Formula One driver's title, which he achieved in 1979? He was the last driver to win a Drivers' Championship for Ferrari until Michael Schumacher twenty-one years later.	
30	Legendary Jamaican athlete Merlene Ottey had the longest career of any international class sprinter. Having first competed internationally at the Pam American games in 1979, she only retired from international competition at the age of 52 in 2012. However, for the last 10 years of her career, she represented which country , where she had resided since 1998?	
31	One of only five players in European football history to have won all international trophies for football clubs recognized by UEFA and FIFA, which professional footballer who played for most of his career with Juventus, aside from two seasons with Atalanta, was killed on 3rd September 1989 when a car carrying him collided head-on with a truck near Babsk, Poland?	

Sport & Games

32	Which Russian figure skater , a four-time Olympic medalist (2006 gold, 2014 team gold, 2002 & 2010 silver) and a three-time World champion (2001, 2003, 2004), accompanied singer Dima Bilan on stage as part of the winning performance at the 2008 Eurovision Song Contest?	
33	<i>Mario Kart</i> is a series of go-kart-style racing video games developed and published by Nintendo as spin-offs from its trademark <i>Super Mario</i> series. Fourteen titles have been released in the series since <i>Super Mario Kart</i> , the first, was launched in 1992. What is the title of the only game in the series, released for the Gamecube in 2003, to allow cooperative gameplay (two players in the same kart)?	
34	Which recreational sport , that originated in Canada, is played in an ice hockey rink but featuring players wearing special rubber-soled shoes instead of skates? Goals are scored by hitting a ball into the opponent's net using a stick with a rubber-molded triangular head similar in shape to a common implement, after which the game is named.	
35	Which American ultramarathon runner holds world records for the 100-mile run (track) and the 12-hour run (track)? He claimed both records in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on August 24th, 2019. His 100-mile time of 11 hours, 19 minutes and 13 seconds, bested Oleg Kharitonov's 2002 world record by almost 11 minutes. He then continued running for another 40 minutes and upped his own 12-hour distance world record to 104.8 miles, an improvement of more than three miles over the previous mark.	
36	The European Games is an international multi-sport event in the Olympic tradition contested by athletes from European nations. The 2015 European Games, the first edition of the event, took place in Baku, Azerbaijan, with further editions being planned every four years thereafter. The 2019 edition was held from the 21st to the 30th of June 2019 in which capital city ?	
37	Whilst it's often claimed that the game dates back to the Viking Age and has survived since then on the Swedish island of Gotland, there is no evidence of this. Indeed, the game in its modern conception became popular in the late 1980s when commercial sets were first manufactured. In which lawn game , where the objective is to knock over wooden blocks by throwing wooden batons at them, has a World Championship been held annually, since 1995, on Gotland?	

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38	(PIC) This trophy, most recently presented in Madrid on the 9th of December 2018, is awarded to the team that wins which club football tournament ? The 2018 event was the 59th edition of the competition.	
39	(PIC) What is the name of this board game for two to four players designed by the German psychologist Max Kobbert and published by Ravensburger in 1986 in which the game board forms a maze built of both fixed and moving pieces?	
40	(PIC) What is the three word name of this sport , founded by brothers Christian and Damien Devaux? This fourth World Championships event (WCT4) took place in the UK in August 2019 and featured professional parkour athletes and free runners from Asia, Europe and the USA taking part in a competitive version of a school yard game.	

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