BRAIN OF DUBLIN 2020 SEMI-FINALS

START OF QUIZ

Refer to the fixture sheet to determine order of players 1-4

Round 1	Question	Answer
Q1 (Player 1)	Which Latin American country derives its name from the Spanish for "Little Venice"? The stilt	Venezuela
	houses surrounding Lake Maracaibo were said to remind Italian navigator Amerigo Vespucci of the	
	city of Venice.	
Q2 (Player 1)	A bronze bust of what Irish clergyman, who died in the 1980s, stands inside the terminal building	(Monsignor) James Horan
	of Knock Airport in Co. Mayo?	
Q3 (Player 2)	"Special Victims Unit" and "Criminal Intent" are both spin-offs from which long-running American	Law & Order
	TV drama series, that first aired in 1990?	
Q4 (Player 2)	Which Pacific island nation was originally known as "The Friendly Islands" following the congenial	Tonga
	welcome shown to Captain Cook when he first visited there in 1773?	
Q5 (Player 3)	Born in Kent in 1130, Richard de Clare, 2nd Earl of Pembroke, was a leading figure in the Anglo-	Strongbow
	Norman invasion of Ireland. He is most commonly referred to by what nickname? Although this	
	name appears to have come from a mistranslation of one of his family's titles, rather than from his	
	archery skills.	
Q6 (Player 3)	In a similar manner to the Calcutta Cup between England and Scotland, since 2007 the winner of	Giuseppi Garibaldi
	the France vs. Italy fixture in the Six Nations Championship is presented with a cup named after	
	which significant figure in 19th century European history?	
Q7 (Player 4)	Brown Thomas's current location on Dublin's Grafton Street was the site of which former	Switzers
	department store, that traded there for over 150 years until it was taken over by Brown Thomas	
	in the 1990s?	
Q8 (Player 4)	Which of the 8 Ivy League colleges has the Latin motto <i>Leges sine moribus vanae</i> , meaning "Laws	University of Pennsylvania
	without morals are useless"? Ironically, this college was Donald Trump's alma mater.	(accept Penn or UPenn)

Round 2	Question	Answer
Q1 (Player 1)	The TV shows "Torchwood" and "The Sarah Jane Adventures" are both spin-offs from which long-	Doctor Who
	running British TV drama series, that first aired in 1963?	
Q2 (Player 1)	The Gilbert Islands is a Pacific archipelago that makes up the majority of which island nation? The	Kiribati
	modern-day name of this country comes from the local-language pronunciation of "Gilberts".	
Q3 (Player 2)	Name either of the Earls who fled from Ulster to mainland Europe during the so-called Flight of	Hugh O'Neill / Earl of Tyrone /
	the Earls in 1607? You may answer with either their birth name or their title.	Rory O'Donnell / Earl of
0.4 (D) 2)		Tyrconnell (accept any)
Q4 (Player 2)	Given that each team plays each other once, how many matches are currently played every year	15
	in the Six Nations championship? (exact number needed)	
Q5 (Player 3)	Located on North Earl Street, around the corner from Clerys, what century-old Dublin department	Boyers
	store closed in 2016 less than a year after Clerys and is now a Sports Direct store?	
Q6 (Player 3)	The English motto of which of the Ivy League colleges is "I would found an institution where any	Cornell University
	person can find instruction in any study"? The motto is an 1856 quotation by the person who co-	
	founded the college, and the person after whom it is named.	
Q7 (Player 4)	The name of which African country translates as "land of honest men" or "land of upright	Burkina Faso
	people"? The country had previously been named after a river which runs through it, before	
	adopting its current name in 1984.	
Q8 (Player 4)	Although he spent most of his career in the UK, a bronze statue of which Irish TV presenter, who	Eamonn Andrews
	died in the 1980s, stands in the reception of RTÉ's television studios in Donnybrook?	

Round 3	Question	Answer
Q1 (Player 1)	Since the Six Nations rugby championship acquired its current name in 2000 with the addition of	Scotland
	Italy, only two of the six nations have failed to win the title Italy, and who else?	
Q2 (Player 1)	Born William Petty, the Marquess of Lansdowne was Prime Minister of Great Britain for 9 months	Earl of Shelburne
	in 1782-1783, and notable as one of only two Irish-born British prime ministers. By which title is	
	he better known to history?	
Q3 (Player 2)	Veritas which of course is Latin for "truth" is the single-word motto of which of the Ivy League	Harvard
	colleges? This college's famous crest consists of three open books with the letters of the word	
	"Veritas" inscribed across them.	
Q4 (Player 2)	With its slogan "Only 40 paces from O'Connell Bridge", name the Dublin department store located	McBirney's
	on Aston Quay from the early 1900s until it closed in 1984? The building subsequently became a	
	Virgin Megastore in 1986, and is currently a SuperValu supermarket.	
Q5 (Player 3)	A bronze statue of which Irish musician, who died in the 1980s, stands outside Bruxelles pub in	Phil Lynott
	Dublin city centre?	
Q6 (Player 3)	The name of which European country comes from a Serbian phrase meaning "field of blackbirds"?	Kosovo
	The country is one of the few territories in Europe not to be a full member of the United Nations.	
Q7 (Player 4)	Captain James Cook discovered what he called "The Sandwich Islands" in 1778, naming them after	Hawaii / The Hawaiian Islands
, , ,	his patron the Earl of Sandwich. By what name is this Pacific archipelago nowadays known?	
Q8 (Player 4)	"Rock & Chips" and "The Green Green Grass" are both spin-offs from which long-running British	Only Fools and Horses
	TV comedy series, that first aired in 1981?	

Round 4	Question	Answer
Q1 (Player 1)	The Latin motto of which of the Ivy League colleges is <i>Vox clamantis in deserto</i> , literally translating as "A voice crying out in the wilderness"? The college in question is located in Hanover, New Hampshire.	Dartmouth College
Q2 (Player 1)	Which Dublin department store, a mainstay of the Liberties, was located on Thomas Street from 1892 until its closure in 2007? It has since been redeveloped as a student accommodation block.	Frawley's
Q3 (Player 2)	A bridge named after which Irish literary figure, who died in the 1980s, was opened in 2009 and spans the River Liffey between Sir John Rogerson's Quay and North Wall Quay?	Samuel Beckett
Q4 (Player 2)	The name for which Asian country derives from the Turkic word for "forty", referring to their legendary hero Manas, who united forty regional clans against their enemies? Appropriately, this country's flag includes a sun surrounded by 40 rays.	Kyrgyzstan
Q5 (Player 3)	Most islands in the Pacific Ocean are divided broadly among three main sub-regions: Polynesia and Micronesia are two what is the third? It includes the island of New Guinea, as well as Fiji, Vanuatu and the Solomon Islands.	Melanesia
Q6 (Player 3)	The TV shows "Private Practice" and "Station 19" are both spin-offs from which long-running American TV drama series, that first aired in 2005?	Grey's Anatomy
Q7 (Player 4)	What is currently the Six Nations began as the Home Nations Championship in 1883 with England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland taking part. In what decade of the 20th century did the equivalent Women's Home Nations championship begin, the precursor to today's Women's Six Nations Championship?	1990s (1996)
Q8 (Player 4)	Captain Charles Boycott, whose well-publicised ostracism by locals led to the word "boycott" entering the English language in the 1880s, was at the time a land agent in County Mayo under the employment of which Ulster-based Earl and landowner?	Earl Erne (also accept Baron Fermanagh or John Crichton)

Round 5	Question	Answer
Q1 (Player 1)	Which actor called Chris has played Thor in eight movies to date in the Marvel Cinematic	Chris Hemsworth
	Universe, most recently "Avengers: Endgame"? His brothers Liam and Luke are also actors.	
Q2 (Player 1)	Mayo-born author Sally Rooney is best known for her second novel "Normal People", adapted into	Conversations With Friends
	a highly successful 2020 TV series. What was the title of her debut novel, published in 2017?	
Q3 (Player 2)	In the metric system, the abbreviation for the prefix "milli" (meaning one-thousandth) is the letter	Mu
	"m". As a result, the abbreviation for "micro" (meaning one-millionth) uses a Greek letter instead.	
04 (Discours)	Which Greek letter?	Manfred Mann
Q4 (Player 2)	Which English band, named after its South African-born keyboard player, had both a UK and	Mailirea Mailir
	Ireland no. 1 hit single in 1966 with "Pretty Flamingo"?	
Q5 (Player 3)	Produced in limited quantities in 1966 to mark the 50th anniversary of the Easter Rising, the Irish	Pádraig Pearse
	10-shilling coin is notable as the only Irish coin produced since independence not to feature a harp	
	on its obverse side. Instead it featured a portrait of which of the Easter Rising leaders?	
Q6 (Player 3)	The French name for which fruit is groseille à maquereau, literally translated as "mackerel	Gooseberry
	berries", due to their use in a sauce for mackerel in old French cuisine?	
Q7 (Player 4)	As all quizzers know, Beethoven only wrote one completed opera - Fidelio - but what notable	Modest Mussorgsky
	Russian composer also wrote only one completed opera: Boris Godunov, which premiered in St.	
	Petersburg in 1874?	
Q8 (Player 4)	Which US president died in 1850, after less than 18 months in office? His cause of death was a	Zachary Taylor
	stomach ailment, popularly said to have been caused by consuming excessive amounts of raw	
	cherries and milk on a hot summer day.	

Round 6	Question	Answer
Q1 (Player 1)	Not to be confused with "deci" meaning "division by 10", what four-letter prefix is used in the metric system to denote "multiplication by 10"? Please spell your answer.	Deca (or Deka) - spelling must be correct
Q2 (Player 1)	The song "Rockin' Robin" is best-known via the cover version released by Michael Jackson in 1972. However, which Texas-born rock 'n' roll singer was the first person to have a hit with the song, in 1958?	Bobby Day (accept Robert James Byrd)
Q3 (Player 2)	The Central Bank of Ireland faced an embarrassment in 2013 when a design error was spotted in a collector's edition €10 silver coin they had produced. The coin featured a misquoted line from which famous 20th century Irish literary work?	Ulysses
Q4 (Player 2)	In botany, what 5-letter name is given to a fleshy fruit with thin skin and a central stone containing the fruit's seed? Common examples include plums, cherries, apricots and olives.	Drupe
Q5 (Player 3)	As all quizzers know, Beethoven only wrote one completed opera - Fidelio - but what notable French composer also wrote only one completed opera: Pelléas et Mélisande, which premiered in Paris in 1902?	Claude Debussy
Q6 (Player 3)	Although he didn't die of overeating, which notable 16th century astronomer is generally believed to have died of a ruptured bladder, after attending a royal banquet in Prague? He had refused to leave the banquet table to relieve himself, as he considered it a breach of etiquette.	Tycho Brahe
Q7 (Player 4)	Which actor called Chris first came to fame via the TV sitcom "Parks and Recreation", and nowadays is best known for his starring roles in the "Guardians of the Galaxy" and "Jurassic World" movie franchises?	Chris Pratt
Q8 (Player 4)	Although born in Vermont, which crime author has lived in Dublin since 1990 and has been referred to as "The First Lady of Irish Crime"? Two of her novels formed the basis of the 2019 TV series "Dublin Murders".	Tana French

Round 7	Question	Answer
Q1 (Player 1)	Meyer, Eureka and Lisbon are all varieties of what citrus fruit?	Lemon
Q2 (Player 1)	Introduced in 1928 and withdrawn in 1972 after decimalisation, which denomination of Irish coin	Sixpence
	featured a design of a wolfhound?	
Q3 (Player 2)	In Scandinavian culture, King Adolf Frederick is often referred to as "The King Who Ate Himself To	Sweden
	Death", dying age 60 of a digestive ailment, after consuming a huge Shrove Tuesday feast which	
	included no less than 14 helpings of dessert. He was king of what country from 1751 to 1771?	
Q4 (Player 2)	As all quizzers know, Beethoven only wrote one completed opera - Fidelio - but what notable	Bela Bartók
	composer also wrote only one completed opera: Bluebeard's Castle, which premiered in Budapest	
	in 1918?	
Q5 (Player 3)	Following Iris Murdoch in 1978, which Dublin-born writer became the second Irish female author	Anne Enright
	to win the Booker Prize in 2007, with her novel "The Gathering"?	
Q6 (Player 3)	Which actor called Chris has hosted the Academy Awards twice: in 2005 and 2016? He is also	Chris Rock
	known as a comedian, winning 4 Emmy awards, most recently in 2009 for his HBO comedy special	
	"Kill The Messenger".	
Q7 (Player 4)	The name of what seabird is also the name of Fleetwood Mac's only number-one hit in the UK	Albatross
	Singles Chart, released in 1968?	
Q8 (Player 4)	What prefix in the metric system comes from a Greek word meaning "monster" and corresponds	Tera
	to multiplication by 10 to the power of 12, or one trillion?	

Round 8	Question	Answer
Q1 (Player 1)	According to popular legend, King Henry I of England is said to have died from eating "a surfeit"	Lamprey
	(or excessive amount) of what fish? With their scale-less elongated bodies, they superficially	
	resemble eels, though in fact they are unrelated to eels.	
Q2 (Player 1)	As all quizzers know, Beethoven only wrote one completed opera - Fidelio - but what notable	Franz Liszt
	composer also wrote only one completed opera: Don Sanche, or The Castle of Love, which	
	premiered in Paris in 1825 when the composer was only 13?	
Q3 (Player 2)	Which 2018 novel by Belfast writer Anna Burns became the first novel by a Northern Irish author	Milkman
	to win the Booker Prize?	
Q4 (Player 2)	Which actor called Chris played Robin in the 1990s superhero movies "Batman Forever" and	Chris O'Donnell
	"Batman & Robin"? Since 2009 he has played the lead role of Special Agent Callen in the US TV	
	show "NCIS: Los Angeles".	
Q5 (Player 3)	When released in 1984, "When Doves Cry" became Prince's first US number 1 hit. It was the lead	Purple Rain
	single from which of his albums the best-selling of Prince's career, with an estimated 20 million	
	copies sold worldwide?	
Q6 (Player 3)	Appropriately taken from the Danish word for "fifteen", what prefix in the metric system is	Femto
	equivalent to 10 to the power of minus fifteen, or one quadrillionth?	
Q7 (Player 4)	What hybrid fruit is a cross between blackberry and raspberry, and is named after the American	Loganberry
	horticulturist who accidentally created it in 1881?	
Q8 (Player 4)	The Irish farthing coin (1926-1966) and the 50 pence coin (1971-2002) both featured the same	(Eurasian) Woodcock
	bird design on the front. What species of wading bird was this?	

END OF QUIZ

Tiebreaker round

Use only if necessary, e.g. where 2 or more players are tied for 2nd place. Each player should write their 4 answers down on a sheet of paper - most correct answers wins.

	Question	Answer
Q1	Located 13 km off the coast of County Cork, what uninhabited island is Ireland's most southerly point? It is sometimes known as "Ireland's Teardrop", because it was the last part of Ireland that 19th-century Irish emigrants saw as they sailed to North America.	Fastnet Rock
Q2	What name is given to an empty tomb or a monument erected in honour of a person or group of people whose remains are elsewhere? The single-word name comes from the Greek for "empty tomb": probably the most famous such monument is in London's Whitehall, memorialising the casualties of the First World War.	Cenotaph
Q3	Considered one of the 13 letters of the Hawaiian alphabet is the "okina", which corresponds to the glottal stop. In writing, it is represented not by a letter but by which punctuation mark?	Apostrophe (or single quote / quotation mark / inverted comma)
Q4	Name the Republic of Ireland midfielder, at the time playing for Portsmouth, who in November 1993 scored the equaliser against Northern Ireland at Windsor Park in a critical World Cup qualifier, allowing the Republic to qualify for the 1994 World Cup?	Alan McLoughlin

Nearest-the-pin tiebreaker

Use only if the previous tiebreaker round failed to break the tie. Each player should write their guess down on a sheet of paper - closest to the correct answer wins.

	Question	Answer
Q1	According to the Society of the Irish Motor Industry, how many new passenger cars were	117,100
	registered in the Republic of Ireland in total during 2019?	