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## RUNNING ORDER + INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS

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### START OF QUIZ

Teams to toss a coin to determine A & B order

<u>Round 1 - Individual</u>	<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
<b>Q1a</b> (Team A Person 1)	In which TV series, first airing on Disney+ in 2019, does Chilean-born actor Pedro Pascal play the lead character, who goes on the run to protect an alien child named Grogu?	The <u>Mandalorian</u>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1)	South African Freddie "Saddam" Maake claims to be the inventor of which musical instrument, which gained worldwide fame at the 2010 FIFA World Cup? In 1999 he released an album in which this instrument featured on every track.	<u>Vuvuzela</u>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2)	An essence extracted from the aromatic skin of which sour fruit is used to flavour Earl Grey tea?	<u>Bergamot</u>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2)	With its members including former presidents such as Lázaro Cárdenas and Enrique Peña Nieto, what is the modern name of the political party in Mexico that held uninterrupted power in the country for 71 years, from 1929 to 2000?	<u>PRI</u> (accept <u>Institutional Revolutionary Party</u> or <u>Partido Revolucionario Institucional</u> )
<b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3)	Accused of distributing anti-war leaflets, siblings Hans and Sophie Scholl were executed by guillotine in February 1943 for their roles within which non-violent resistance group in Nazi Germany?	<u>White Rose</u> / <u>Weißer Rose</u>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3)	Which former Irish Labour Party politician passed away last week at the age of 77? During her time as Minister for Education in the 1990s, tuition fees for third-level institutions were abolished and the RTCs were upgraded to Institutes of Technology.	Niamh <u>Bhreathnach</u> <i>[pronounced "vrannock"]</i>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4)	Arthur Ryan House, Parnell Street, Dublin, is the headquarters of which multinational fast fashion retailer? The HQ is just around the corner from the company's first store, which was opened by Ryan in 1969 at 47 Mary Street.	<u>Penneys</u> / <u>Primark</u>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4)	What is the surname of the two NFL players who, in 2023, became the first brothers to play against each other in a Super Bowl?	<u>Kelce</u> <i>[pronounced "kelsey"]</i> (Travis of the Chiefs and Jason of the Eagles)

## Round 2 - Team

Team A to pick a topic first

Team B to pick a topic second

## Round 3 - Individual

	Question	Answer
Q1a (Team B Person 1)	Give <b>any</b> year (BCE) in the life time of Marcus Porcius Cato (a.k.a. Cato the Elder), the Roman senator famous for ending speeches with the phrase "Carthago delenda est", or "Carthage must be destroyed"?	<b>234 - 149</b> BCE (accept <b>any</b> year in this range)
Q1b (Team A Person 1)	Voted Ireland's best beach in the Irish Independent's Reader Travel Awards for 2023, which horseshoe-shaped strand is located on the western end of Achill Island in County Mayo?	<b>Keem</b> Bay [can be pronounced "kim"]
Q2a (Team B Person 2)	Which precious, silverish-white chemical element, with atomic number 78, takes its English language name from a Spanish word meaning "little silver", because it was first encountered in a silver mine?	<b>Platinum</b> (from "platina")
Q2b (Team A Person 2)	With which country does North Korea share its longest land border? Most of this 1,416 km border follows the path of the Yalu river.	<b>China</b>
Q3a (Team B Person 3)	A famous 8 metre by 5 metre painting of a rising phoenix surrounded by images of war and disharmony has been exhibited on the United Nations Security Council's east wall since 1952. Created by the artist Per Krohg, it was commissioned by the government of which European country as a gift to the United Nations?	<b>Norway</b>
Q3b (Team A Person 3)	Which basketball club, originally from Oranmore but now playing their home games at the University of Galway, won the Basketball Ireland Men's National Cup in January 2023?	<b>Maree</b>
Q4a (Team B Person 4)	Which type of sugar is made from partially evaporated sugar cane juice that has been spun in a centrifuge to remove almost all of the molasses? It is named after a historic region of Guyana.	<b>Demerara</b>
Q4b (Team A Person 4)	In the numbering system used on the Indian subcontinent, a lakh (abbreviated L.) is equal to what number?	<b>100,000</b> (one hundred thousand)

#### Round 4 - Team

Team B to pick a topic first

Team A to pick a topic second

#### Round 5 - Individual

	Question	Answer
Q1a (Team A Person 1)	Which metallic chemical element, the twelfth most common element in the Universe, has the atomic number 13? This element takes its name from a Latin word meaning "bitter salt".	<u>Aluminium</u> / <u>Aluminum</u> (from "alum")
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	With which country does North Korea share its shortest land border? The entirety of this border is the final 17km of the path of the Tumen river before it reaches the Sea of Japan.	<u>Russia</u>
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	Used in the manufacture of rum, which dark brown unrefined sugar has a strong molasses content and flavour? Its name is derived from a corruption of a Portuguese term meaning "unrefined sugar".	<u>Muscovado</u> (from <i>açúcar mascavado</i> )
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	In the numbering system used on the Indian subcontinent, a crore (abbreviated cr.) is equal to what number? (You may answer a Western-style number or in lakhs)	<u>10,000,000</u> (ten million) / accept <u>100 lakh</u>
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	Which Irish writer and journalist passed away last week at the age of 77? In her youth she was an actress, having roles in productions of <i>The Ginger Man</i> and <i>The Playboy of the Western World</i> at the Abbey Theatre. Later she was best known as a novelist, publishing 12 books including 2013's <i>The Winter Gathering</i> .	Deirdre <u>Purcell</u>
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	Bergamot is a major component of the original recipe for which famous fragrance, composed by Giovanni Maria Farina in Germany in 1709?	Eau de <u>Cologne</u>
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	Just as Norway donated art to the UN Security Council chamber, which other European nation did likewise for the Economic and Social Council Chamber (ECOSOC)? On its opening in 1951 it contained the world's largest tapestry, created by Marianne Richter, a native of this country.	<u>Sweden</u>
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	Which basketball club, based in the north of Dublin city, won the Basketball Ireland Women's National Cup for the fourth time in their history in January 2023?	<u>Killester</u>

## Round 6 - Team

Team A to pick a topic first

Team B to pick a topic second

## Round 7 - Individual

	Question	Answer
Q1a (Team B Person 1)	In which TV series, first airing on HBO in 2023, does Chilean-born actor Pedro Pascal play the lead character, a smuggler tasked with escorting a child named Ellie across a post-apocalyptic United States?	The <b><u>Last of Us</u></b>
Q1b (Team A Person 1)	Give <b>any</b> year (BCE) in the lifetime of Marcus Porcius Cato Uticensis (a.k.a. Cato the Younger), the great-grandson of Cato the Elder, who took his own life rather than beg or receive pardon from his enemy Julius Caesar.	<b>95 - 46</b> BCE (accept <b>any</b> year in this range)
Q2a (Team B Person 2)	As part of her work with The White Rose, Sophie Scholl printed and distributed anti-Nazi sermons by which Bishop of Münster? This man suffered virtual house arrest from 1941 until the end of the war but survived to be appointed a cardinal in 1946, and was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI in 2005.	Clemens August von <b><u>Galen</u></b>
Q2b (Team A Person 2)	Among multiparty parliamentary democracies, which political party is currently the world's longest uninterrupted governing party, having ruled Singapore for nearly 64 years, from 1959 to date? Its current leader, Lee Hsien Loong, has been Prime Minister since 2004.	<b><u>PAP</u></b> (accept <b><u>People's Action Party</u></b> )
Q3a (Team B Person 3)	Which long and sandy strand in County Wexford placed second in the Irish Independent's Reader Travel Awards for 2023? In 1997, this beach was used for the filming of the D-Day sequence in the film <i>Saving Private Ryan</i> .	<b><u>Curracloe</u></b>
Q3b (Team A Person 3)	An internet rumour contends that an "esteemed" Scottish musician called Andy F. Dowling played which instrument on Shakira's breakthrough 2001 hit <i>Whenever, Wherever</i> ? Originally made from bones, condor feathers, clay and other materials, today bamboo is the material of choice for this instrument.	<b><u>Pan pipes</u></b> / <b><u>Pan flute</u></b>
Q4a (Team B Person 4)	A newsagent on Main Street, Claremorris, County Mayo, still bears the name of which multinational chain of children's toy shops? The toy business was founded as an expansion of the newsagents in 1986 and now boasts over 270 shops throughout Ireland, the UK, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, and France.	<b><u>Smyths</u></b>
Q4b (Team A Person 4)	What is the surname of the two NFL coaches who, in 2013, became the first brothers to be the head coaches of the sides who faced each other in a Super Bowl?	<b><u>Harbaugh</u></b> [pronounced "har-baw"] (John of the Ravens and Jim of the 49ers)

## **Round 8 - Team**

Team **B** to pick a topic first

Team **A** to use last remaining topic

## **END OF QUIZ**

**Spare questions  
(only use if necessary)**

<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
Which actress, the star of films such as <i>One Million Years B.C.</i> (1966), <i>Bedazzled</i> (1967) and <i>Myra Breckinridge</i> (1970), passed away last week at the age of 82?	Raquel <b><u>Welch</u></b> (born Jo Raquel <b><u>Tejada</u></b> )
<i>Tears of the Kingdom</i> is the title of the upcoming release in which famous computer game franchise? It is a sequel to 2017's <i>Breath of the Wild</i> .	The Legend of <b><u>Zelda</u></b>
In which <b>state</b> did Super Bowl LVII take place on Sunday of last week?	<b><u>Arizona</u></b>
Which tropical cyclone caused extensive damage to New Zealand when it hit the country last week?	Cyclone <b><u>Gabrielle</u></b>

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## TEAM QUESTIONS

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### Shannon Crossings

<b>Q1</b> The 165m long White Bridge, built in 1851 for the Midland Great Western Railway, is still in use today. It carries the Dublin-Galway and Dublin-Westport railway lines over the river Shannon, in which town?	<b><u>Athlone</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> Constructed by the German company Siemens-Schuckert, which hydro-electric power plant - the world's largest at the time - was opened on the river Shannon in 1929? By the mid 1930s, it produced 80% of Ireland's electricity and while still in operation today, it now meets only around 2% of the country's demand.	<b><u>Ardnacrusha</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> The 350m long Living Bridge, Ireland's longest pedestrian bridge, was opened in 2007 to allow the students of which third-level institution access all of its river Shannon-spanning campus?	<b><u>University of Limerick</u></b> (accept <b><u>UL</u></b> )
<b>Q4</b> Béal Átha Liag [ <i>"bale aw-ha lee-ag"</i> ] is the Irish name for a pair of towns that face each other across the river Shannon. While the Roscommon side of the river is known in English as Ballyleague, what is the name of the settlement on the Longford side? Between 1958 and 2020, this town was home to the massive Lough Ree power station.	<b><u>Lanesborough</u></b>

### Brendan Behan

<b>Q1</b> It's not <i>Borstal Boy</i> , but what was the name of Brendan Behan's first play, the production of which in 1954 made his name? Set in Mountjoy jail, this play's title character is never seen or heard. It also includes the song <i>The Auld Triangle</i> .	The <b><u>Quare Fellow</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> What was the first name of Brendan Behan's younger brother, noted as one of the most influential Irish songwriters of the 20th century? His songs include: <i>McAlpine's Fusiliers</i> , <i>The Patriot Game</i> and Alan Partridge's least favourite song, <i>Come Out Ye Black and Tans</i> .	<b><u>Dominic</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> Dominic wasn't the only songwriter in the Behan family. What was the name of the brother's maternal uncle who, in 1907 wrote the lyrics to <i>A Soldier's Song</i> , whose Irish-language translation now serves as Ireland's national anthem?	Peadar <b><u>Kearney</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> Behan's most famous work, the 1958 book <i>Borstal Boy</i> , details his three-year stay in juvenile detention. He was sentenced to that term following his arrest at the age of 16 in which British city, where he had travelled with the intention of setting off a bomb at its famous docks?	<b><u>Liverpool</u></b>

### **Mel Brooks Films**

<b>Q1</b> What is the name of the 1987 space opera parody film directed by Mel Brooks? While primarily a parody of the original <i>Star Wars</i> trilogy, it also parodies other sci-fi films and popular franchises including <i>Star Trek</i> , <i>Alien</i> and <i>The Wizard of Oz</i> .	<b><u>Spaceballs</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> What is the subtitle of the 1993 adventure comedy film directed by Brooks that was a parody of the <i>Robin Hood</i> legend? The film stars Cary Elwes in the title role.	<b><u>Men in Tights</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> What is the subtitle of the 1995 gothic comedy horror film, directed by Brooks, and starring Leslie Nielsen? It is a spoof of Bram Stoker's novel <i>Dracula</i> and of some of the story's well-known adaptations.	<b><u>Dead and Loving It</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> Which 1977 movie, directed by Brooks, also featured his first speaking lead role? The film is a parody of the suspense films of Alfred Hitchcock: <i>Spellbound</i> , <i>Vertigo</i> , <i>Psycho</i> and <i>The Birds</i> .	<b><u>High Anxiety</u></b>

### **The Time of Troubles**

<b>Q1</b> The so-called "Time of Troubles" in Russian history began with the accession of Feodor I in 1584. Feodor succeeded his father: which famous ruler who was grand prince of Moscow and the first Tsar of all Russia?	<b><u>Ivan IV / Ivan The Terrible</u></b> (prompt on "Ivan")
<b>Q2</b> The accession of which ruler in 1613 marked the end of the Time of Troubles? This man was the first tsar of the House of Romanov, which would lead Russia until 1917.	<b><u>Michael I / Mikhail</u></b> Románov
<b>Q3</b> Which man ruled Russia as de facto regent from 1585 to 1598 and then as the first non-Rurikid tsar from 1598 to 1605? His life was dramatised by Alexander Pushkin in a 1831 play, which later inspired works by Modest Mussorgsky and Sergei Prokofiev.	Boris <b><u>Godunov</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> Following Feodor's death, rumours circulated that his younger brother (who had died at age 8) was still alive and in hiding. This void led to the rise of pretenders, one of whom succeeded in taking the throne between June 1605 and May 1606. By what two word title are these three pretenders known?	<b><u>False Dmitry</u></b>

### **Married Couples in Music**

<b>Q1</b> The decade-long marriage between which two singers produced hit records such as <i>I Got You Babe</i> (1965), <i>The Beat Goes On</i> (1967) and <i>All I Ever Need is You</i> (1971)?	<b><u>Sonny and Cher</u></b> / Cherilyn <b><u>Sarkisian</u></b> and Salvatore "Sonny" <b><u>Bono</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> The musical duo Tracey Thorn and Ben Watt met when attending the University of Hull in 1982. After almost 30 years as a couple, they eventually married in 2009. Under what name do Thorn and Watt perform, with their biggest hit being the 1994 song <i>Missing</i> ?	<b><u>Everything But The Girl</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> What was the surname of Michelle and John, the married couple who were founding members of the 1960s folk rock vocal group The Mamas and The Papas?	<b><u>Phillips</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> Which American rock band, formed in 1981 in New York City, split up in 2011 following the end of the 27 year marriage between members Thurston Moore and Kim Gordon?	<b><u>Sonic Youth</u></b>

### **Cars in Japan**

<b>Q1</b> The Vitara, a series of SUVs produced by Suzuki since 1988, is sold under what name in Japan? The name is identical to the currency used in Portugal before the introduction of the Euro.	<b><u>Escudo</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> First popularised in Japan in the 1970s, in what driving technique does the driver intentionally oversteer, with loss of traction, while maintaining control and driving the car through the entirety of a corner?	<b><u>Drift</u> / <u>Drifting</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> Which supermini/subcompact car, launched by Toyota in 1999 to replace the Starlet, was sold in its native land as the Vitz until 2019? Since that year models have carried the same name as used in the rest of the world.	<b><u>Yaris</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> In 2018, seven of the 10 top-selling car models in Japan belonged to which specific vehicle category of small passenger cars, with restricted dimensions and engine capacity? In export markets, the genre is generally too small for models to be profitable, with some notable exceptions such as the Suzuki Alto and Daihatsu Cuore.	<b><u>Kei car</u> [pronounced "K"]</b>

### **Ben Stiller & Owen Wilson**

<b>Q1</b> Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson have acted together in 12 movies since 1996. In which 2004 film, an adaptation of a 1970s TV series of the same name, did they play the leads?	<b><u>Starsky &amp; Hutch</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> In which 2001 film did Stiller and Wilson play rival male models who become allies when evil fashion designer Mugatu (Will Ferrell) sucks them into an assassination conspiracy?	<b><u>Zoolander</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> Owen Wilson was nominated for an Academy Award, alongside director Wes Anderson, for which 2001 film? Both he and Ben Stiller were part of this film's large ensemble cast.	The <b><u>Royal Tenenbaums</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> The first collaboration between Stiller and Wilson is also the only one that uses neither in a major role. What is the name of this 1996 film, directed by Stiller, which follows the odd friendship between a heartbroken architect and an erratic TV technician?	The <b><u>Cable Guy</u></b>

### **Voltages**

<b>Q1</b> What is the standard voltage present in single-cell, non-rechargeable alkaline batteries? Examples include AAA, AA, C and D cells. Please note that the answer is <b>not</b> a whole number.	<b><u>1.5</u> V (one and a half)</b>
<b>Q2</b> What is the standard voltage provided by the USB standard? This is the voltage of all USB A, B and C devices, except those specifically designed for Power Delivery functions.	<b><u>5</u> V</b>
<b>Q3</b> What standard voltage is present in automobile auxiliary power outlets? Initially designed to power electrically heated cigarette lighters, these outlets have become a de facto standard DC connector to supply electrical power to accessories from the vehicle's electrical system.	<b><u>12</u> V</b>
<b>Q4</b> While it is generally OK for visitors from other American countries to use devices they have brought from home, what is the official mains voltage supplied in Mexico? The answer is a prime number.	<b><u>127</u> V</b>