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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

| Round 1 - Individual | Question | Answer |
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| Q1a (Team A Person 1) | Released in early 2022 to critical acclaim, name the TV mini-series directed by Oscar-winner Peter Jackson which chronicles the making of the Beatles' final released album <i>Let It Be</i> ? The series takes its name from one of the songs on that album. | <u>Get Back</u> |
| Q1b (Team B Person 1) | With a current market share of 57%, what is the most widely-used search engine in Russia? It is owned and operated by its namesake company, which is the largest technology company in Russia. | <u>Yandex</u> |
| Q2a (Team A Person 2) | The Irish name for what common bird is <i>rí rua</i> ["ree roo-ah"], literally meaning "red king"? | <u>Chaffinch</u> (prompt on "finch") |
| Q2b (Team B Person 2) | Prior to the merger of Waterford County Council with Waterford City Council in 2014, what was the county town of County Waterford? | <u>Dungarvan</u> |
| Q3a (Team A Person 3) | The FIE or Fédération Internationale d'Escrime is the governing body of what Olympic sport? | <u>Fencing</u> |
| Q3b (Team B Person 3) | Born in 1977 and currently 17th in line to the throne, who is the oldest of Queen Elizabeth II's eight grandchildren? (Only first name is required) | <u>Peter</u> Phillips |
| Q4a (Team A Person 4) | The songs <i>I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outta My Hair</i> , <i>Some Enchanted Evening</i> and <i>Happy Talk</i> all come from what classic 1949 Rodgers and Hammerstein musical? | <u>South Pacific</u> |
| Q4b (Team B Person 4) | Born in Sussex in 1918, what author was the first-ever winner of the Booker Prize in 1969 for his novel <i>Something to Answer For</i> ? | P. H. <u>Newby</u> |

Round 2 - Team

Team A to pick a topic first

Team B to pick a topic second

| Round 3 - Individual | Question | Answer |
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| Q1a (Team B Person 1) | Born in Milan in 1571, the painter Michelangelo Merisi is better known by what name? | <u>Caravaggio</u> |
| Q1b (Team A Person 1) | The English rugby union team Harlequins are based in what English city? | <u>London</u> (accept <u>Twickenham</u>) |
| Q2a (Team B Person 2) | Founded in 1983 by two Scottish brothers with the surname Reid, which band first hit the charts in 1987 with the song <i>Letter From America</i> and the album <i>This Is the Story</i> ? | The <u>Proclaimers</u> |
| Q2b (Team A Person 2) | Caramel Chew Chew and Chocolate Fudge Brownie are two of the most popular flavours of what international ice cream brand, founded in Vermont in 1978 by a pair of Jewish-American entrepreneurs with the surnames Cohen & Greenfield? | <u>Ben & Jerry's</u> |
| Q3a (Team B Person 3) | The capital of the Aztec empire was Tenochtitlan, located in what modern day country? | <u>Mexico</u> |
| Q3b (Team A Person 3) | What opioid medication is responsible for most drug overdose deaths in the United States, causing over 70,000 fatalities in 2021? It was also identified as the primary cause of death of the musicians Coolio, Prince and Tom Petty. | <u>Fentanyl</u> (accept <u>Sublimaze</u> , <u>Actiq</u> , <u>Duragesic</u>) |
| Q4a (Team B Person 4) | What football club holds the record for most seasons spent in the English top flight? Founder members of the Football League in 1888, this North of England club have spent 120 seasons in the top division (out of a possible 124) and have been champions 9 times, most recently in 1987. | <u>Everton</u> |
| Q4b (Team A Person 4) | Using the mobile prefix 086, what was the name of Ireland's second mobile network when it launched in 1997? Owned by Denis O'Brien, it was rebranded as O2 in 2001 and later taken over by Three. | <u>Esat Digifone</u> (accept <u>either word</u>) |

Round 4 - Team

Team B to pick a topic first

Team A to pick a topic second

| Round 5 - Individual | Question | Answer |
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| Q1a (Team A Person 1) | Founded in 1983 by two Scottish brothers with the surname Reid, which band had UK Top 10 hits in the late 80s and early 90s with the songs <i>April Skies</i> and <i>Reverence</i> ? The band was supposedly named after a religious trinket available to order via a breakfast cereal promotion. | The <u>Jesus and Mary Chain</u> |
| Q1b (Team B Person 1) | Released in 2016 to critical acclaim, name the documentary film directed by Oscar-winner Ron Howard which chronicles the early half of the Beatles' career from 1962 to 1966? Subtitled "The Touring Years", this film takes its name from the most well-known song on their 1964 album <i>Beatles For Sale</i> . | <u>Eight Days A Week</u> |
| Q2a (Team A Person 2) | Born in Cardiff in 1923, what author was the second-ever winner of the Booker Prize (and first female winner) in 1970 for her novel <i>The Elected Member</i> ? | Bernice <u>Rubens</u> |
| Q2b (Team B Person 2) | Strawberry Cheesecake and Pralines & Cream are two of the most popular flavours of what international ice cream brand, which despite its Scandinavian-sounding name was founded in New York by a Polish-born Jewish couple in 1961? | <u>Häagen-Dazs</u> |
| Q3a (Team A Person 3) | Born in Venice in 1518, the painter Jacopo Robusti is better known by what name? | <u>Tintoretto</u> |
| Q3b (Team B Person 3) | Although originally based in London, since 2014 the English rugby union team Wasps have been located in what West Midlands city? | <u>Coventry</u> |
| Q4a (Team A Person 4) | With a current market share of 48%, what is the most widely-used search engine in China? It is owned and operated by its namesake company, whose name means "hundred times" in Chinese. | <u>Baidu</u> |
| Q4b (Team B Person 4) | Using the mobile prefix 085, what was the name of Ireland's third mobile network when it launched in 1998? It was taken over by eircom in 2005 and eventually rebranded as eir Mobile in 2017. | <u>Meteor</u> |

Round 6 - Team

Team **A** to pick a topic first

Team **B** to pick a topic second

Round 7 - Individual

| | Question | Answer |
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| Q1a (Team B Person 1) | Sometimes nicknamed "milk of amnesia", what sedative drug is nowadays the most-widely used general anaesthetic worldwide, having taken over from sodium pentothal in recent decades? It gained infamy in 2009 when it was identified as the primary cause of the death of Michael Jackson. | <u>Propofol</u> (accept <u>Diprivan</u>) |
| Q1b (Team A Person 1) | Born in 2007 and currently 14th in line to the throne, who is the youngest of Queen Elizabeth II's eight grandchildren? (Only first name is required) | <u>James</u> Mountbatten-Windsor (accept <u>Viscount Severn</u>) |
| Q2a (Team B Person 2) | FISA or Fédération Internationale des Sociétés d'Aviron is the governing body of what Olympic sport? | <u>Rowing</u> |
| Q2b (Team A Person 2) | What football club holds the record for longest continuous period spent in the English top flight? The first South of England club to join the Football League in 1893, they have been in the top division without a break since 1919 and have been champions 13 times, most recently in 2004. | <u>Arsenal</u> |
| Q3a (Team B Person 3) | The Irish name for what common bird is <i>scréachóg reilige</i> [" <i>scrake-ogue rell-i-guh</i> "], literally meaning "graveyard screamer"? | <u>Barn owl</u> (prompt on "owl") |
| Q3b (Team A Person 3) | The capital of the Incan empire was Cuzco, located in what modern day country? | <u>Peru</u> |
| Q4a (Team B Person 4) | The songs <i>I Whistle a Happy Tune</i> , <i>Getting To Know You</i> and <i>Shall We Dance?</i> all come from what classic 1951 Rodgers and Hammerstein musical? | The <u>King and I</u> |
| Q4b (Team A Person 4) | Prior to the merger of North Tipperary and South Tipperary County Councils in 2014, what was the county town of North Tipperary? | <u>Nenagh</u> |

Round 8 - Team

Team **B** to pick a topic first

Team **A** to use last remaining topic

Tiebreaker round

(only use if drawn after round 8)

| Round 9 - Individual | Question | Answer |
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| Q1a (Team A Person 1) | In 1974, who became the first (and so far only) President of Ireland to die in office? | Erskine Childers |
| Q1b (Team B Person 1) | What was the weapon-related codename of the World War II operation in which Allied undercover operatives targeted the manufacture of the German V1 and V2 rocket bombs? | Operation Crossbow |
| Q2a (Team A Person 2) | Lake Itasca, the source of the Mississippi River, is located in what state? | Minnesota |
| Q2b (Team B Person 2) | What is the capital and largest city of Saudi Arabia? | Riyadh |
| Q3a (Team A Person 3) | What was the food-related codename of the World War II operation in which the British attempted to disguise the 1943 Allied invasion of Sicily? | Operation Mincemeat |
| Q3b (Team B Person 3) | In 1976, who became the first President of Ireland to resign from office? | Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh [" <i>carroll oh dawley</i> "] - accept Carroll O'Daly |
| Q4a (Team A Person 4) | What is the capital and largest city of Jordan? | Amman |
| Q4b (Team B Person 4) | Brower's Spring, the source of the Missouri River, is located in what state? | Montana |

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| Nearest-the-pin (only use if drawn after round 9) | According to the official Nielsen TAM ratings, the annual <i>Late Late Toy Show</i> has been Ireland's most-watched TV programme every year for the past two decades. How many viewers are recorded as having watched the most recent <i>Toy Show</i> , broadcast in November 2022? | 1,532,300 |
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END OF QUIZ

Spare questions
(only use if necessary)

| Question | Answer |
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| Who fought Muhammad Ali in the famous "Rumble in the Jungle" fight in 1974? | George Foreman |
| The "Elizabeth Tower" in London is better known by what nickname? | Big Ben |
| What is the name of Spongebob Squarepants' pet snail? | Gary |
| Only two cities have hosted the Commonwealth Games more than once: Edinburgh in 1970 and 1986, and which non-British city in 1950 and 1990? | Auckland |

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TEAM QUESTIONS

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Questions

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| Q1 Which of Batman's iconic enemies is usually depicted as wearing a green suit and bowler hat, covered in question marks? | The Riddler |
| Q2 Succeeding David Dimbleby in 2019, name the English newsreader who is the current presenter of the BBC's topical debate show <i>Question Time</i> ? | Fiona Bruce |
| Q3 In British politics, the 1994 "cash-for-questions affair" saw two Conservative MPs resign after receiving bribes to ask Parliamentary questions on behalf of Egyptian billionaire Mohamed Al-Fayed. Name either of those MPs? | Neil Hamilton / Tim Smith (accept either) |
| Q4 The 1960s band Question Mark and the Mysterians are best known for what song, a US No. 1 hit in 1966? A cover version by The Stranglers reached the Top 10 of the Irish chart in 1990. | 96 Tears |

Short Wars

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| Q1 Famously lasting just 38 minutes, the shortest war in recorded history took place on 27th August 1896 between the British Empire and which African sultanate, nowadays a semi-autonomous region of Tanzania? | Zanzibar |
| Q2 Lasting 10 days in October 1925, the "Incident at Petrich" was a short-lived invasion of Bulgaria by Greece, triggered by the shooting of a Greek soldier after he crossed the Bulgarian border. The conflict is also known by what name, referencing an animal that the soldier was supposedly chasing when he was shot? | War of the Stray Dog |
| Q3 Also called the "100 Hours War", the four-day-long Football War took place in 1969 between which two Central American countries? (Need both) Although not solely caused by a football match, a significant contributing factor was rioting that took place after these neighbouring countries played each other in a FIFA World Cup qualifier. | El Salvador and Honduras (need both) |
| Q4 The short 20th century conflict appropriately referred to as <i>an-Naksah</i> in Arabic (literally meaning "The Setback") is usually referred to by what name in English? | The Six-Day War (accept 1967 Arab-Israeli War , Third Arab-Israeli War or June War) |

Comfort Food

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| Q1 A favourite of American children for decades - so much so that a 2002 survey found that the average American eats 1,500 of them before turning 18 - a "PB & J" sandwich contains which two ingredients? | <u>Peanut butter and jelly</u> (accept <u>peanut butter and jam</u>) |
| Q2 Many people refer to the traditional British dish of minced beef, vegetables and gravy topped with mashed potatoes as "shepherd's pie", however this is technically incorrect. A true shepherd's pie is made with lamb mince - the equivalent dish with beef mince should be called what instead? | <u>Cottage</u> pie |
| Q3 Sometimes referred to as "hunter's stew", the hearty traditional stew <i>bigos</i> consists of chunks of meat stewed together with sauerkraut and fresh chopped white cabbage. It originated in which European country, where it is considered a national dish? | <u>Poland</u> |
| Q4 <i>Pelmeni</i> from Russia, <i>ushak</i> from Afghanistan and <i>mandu</i> from South Korea are all examples of what type of food, also found in many other cuisines around the world? | <u>Dumplings</u> |

Unlikely Movie Inspirations

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| Q1 The upcoming Disney film <i>Haunted Mansion</i> starring Owen Wilson and Jamie Lee Curtis is based on what unusual source? Other Disney movies to share a similar inspiration are <i>Jungle Cruise</i> and <i>Pirates of the Caribbean</i> . | <u>Theme park rides</u> (accept <u>Disney rides, theme park attractions, etc</u>) |
| Q2 Rihanna won a Razzie Award for Worst Supporting Actress for her role as a naval officer in what critically-panned 2012 movie, based on a classic Milton Bradley board game of the same name? | <u>Battleship</u> |
| Q3 <i>Top Gun</i> , <i>Saturday Night Fever</i> and <i>The Fast and the Furious</i> are three of the relatively small number of films to be based on what specific type of literary work? | <u>Magazine article</u> (accept <u>newspaper article</u> or any answer mentioning "magazines" or "newspapers") |
| Q4 Quite possibly the only major Hollywood movie inspired by a line of trading cards, what 1990s Tim Burton film was named after and based on a short-lived but influential line of bubblegum cards from the early 1960s? | <u>Mars Attacks!</u> |

Long Way To The Sea

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| Q1 In 2021, a team of mapping experts calculated that the "most inland" settlement in Ireland is the small village of Moyvore, in what county? Located 91 km from the sea, this village is in the same county as the nearby Hill of Uisneach ["ish-nuck"], traditionally considered the centre of Ireland. | <u>Westmeath</u> |
| Q2 Which is the only "triply-landlocked" US state? Residents of this "Cornhusker" state need to travel through a minimum of three other states to get to the sea - namely through Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas to the Gulf of Mexico. | <u>Nebraska</u> |
| Q3 The most inland point in South America is over 1,500 km from the sea and lies in what Brazilian state, whose name means "thick bush"? | <u>Mato Grosso</u> |
| Q4 The most inland point anywhere in the world lies over 2,500 km from the ocean and is situated in what Chinese province, near its border with Kazakhstan? The province has been in the news in recent years due to human rights abuses committed by the Chinese government against the Muslim-minority Uyghur ["wee-gur"] population. | <u>Xinjiang ["shin-jeeang"]</u> |

Classic Irish TV

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| Q1 "Knock knock, open wide, see what's on the other side." These words began the recurring "Magic Door" segment of what 1979-87 Irish children's TV show, starring a red-haired puppet who lives in a box? | <u>Bosco</u> |
| Q2 First broadcast in 1964, what was the original two-word name of the weekly RTÉ TV programme in which the Gardaí appeal for the public's assistance in solving crimes? In the 90s, the programme rebranded as <i>Crimeline</i> , then later as <i>Crimecall</i> , under which name it continues to this day. | <u>Garda Patrol</u> |
| Q3 Resembling a cross between the BBC's <i>Swap Shop</i> and <i>Blue Peter</i> , what popular Saturday morning kids' show ran on RTÉ from 1980 to 1986? Including Aonghus McAnally and Mary FitzGerald among its presenters, this show shares its name with a famous song (and musical) by Cole Porter. | <u>Anything Goes</u> |
| Q4 The characters of Dinny and Miley Byrne, later a central part of RTÉ's long-running series <i>Glenroe</i> , first appeared in what early 1980s Irish TV drama series? A spinoff of <i>The Riordans</i> , this programme also starred Gabriel Byrne and Niall Tóibín. | <u>Bracken</u> |

Sporting Near Misses

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| Q1 Nicknamed "The Whirlwind", what English snooker player famously reached six World Championship finals in the 1980s and 90s but never won? The closest he came was in 1994, when he lost a final-frame decider with Stephen Hendry after missing a straightforward black off the spot. | Jimmy <u>White</u> |
| Q2 Name the Brazilian racing driver who lost the 2008 Formula 1 World Championship by one point due to an overtaking manoeuvre by Lewis Hamilton on the last corner of the last lap of the last race of the season? It was the closest this Ferrari driver ever came to the world title. | Felipe <u>Massa</u> |
| Q3 Serbian swimmer Milorad Čavić [<i>"chav-itch"</i>] missed out on Olympic gold by a mere 4.7 millimetres when he lost a historically close race to Michael Phelps in what swimming event at the Beijing Olympics? (Distance and stroke needed) | Men's <u>100 metre butterfly</u> |
| Q4 The Mayo senior men's gaelic football team have infamously lost the last 11 All-Ireland finals they've played in, four of them by a single point. One particularly galling loss was in 1996, when Mayo were a point up in extra time and a long-range kick from what Meath player unexpectedly bounced over the bar for an equaliser? Mayo went on to lose the replay by (you guessed it) a single point. | Colm <u>Coyle</u> |

Answers

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| Q1 Although the question was never fully defined, in the sci-fi series <i>The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy</i> , what number is said to be "The Answer to the Ultimate Question of Life, The Universe and Everything"? | <u>42</u> |
| Q2 An 11-time NBA All-Star, what retired basketball player was nicknamed "The Answer"? He spent most of his career at the Philadelphia 76ers and was was one of the most prolific scorers in NBA history, despite his relatively short stature of 6 feet 0 inches. | Allen <u>Iverson</u> |
| Q3 Published in 2020 a few months before he passed away aged 80, <i>The Answer Is...</i> was the memoir of what revered Canadian quiz show host? | Alex <u>Trebek</u> |
| Q4 Taken from their album <i>Ammonia Avenue</i> , what British band released the 1984 single <i>Don't Answer Me</i> ? It was the last of their four US Top 20 singles, the biggest being the 1982 No. 3 hit <i>Eye in the Sky</i> . | The <u>Alan Parsons Project</u> |