



# **IRISH QUIZ LEAGUE**

**SEASON 3 CUP: Round 2**

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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)	Which Irish Paralympic athlete announced his retirement from athletics in early 2023? In a career spanning from the 2008 to the 2020 games, he won four golds in the T13 100m sprint and two in the T13 200m.	Jason <b><u>Smyth</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1)	What is the name of atomic element 41, a light grey, crystalline, and ductile transition metal? Its name comes from Greek mythology: specifically from the daughter of Tantalus, the namesake of tantalum. The name reflects the great similarity between the two elements in their physical and chemical properties, which makes them difficult to distinguish.	<b><u>Niobium</u></b> (from Niobe)
<b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2)	Which Dublin musician, singer and music collector (1919-1982) is widely regarded as one of the greatest uilleann [" <i>illen</i> "] pipers of all time? One of the founders of the society of Irish pipers, Na Píobairí Uilleann, [" <i>nuh pee-berry illen</i> "] in 1968 he was later the subject of the song <i>The Easter Snow</i> by Christy Moore.	Seamus <b><u>Ennis</u></b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2)	What is the name for the chemical reaction between amino acids and reducing sugars that gives browned food its distinctive flavour? Steaks, biscuits, toasted marshmallows, and many other foods undergo this reaction, which is named after the French chemist who first described it in 1912.	<b><u>Maillard</u></b> reaction
<b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3)	An advocate of the idea that Homer's <i>Iliad</i> reflects historical events, which German archaeological pioneer (1822-1890), discovered Hissarlik, now presumed to be the site of Troy, in 1873? However, his excavation of nine levels of archaeological remains there has since been criticized as destructive.	Heinrich <b><u>Schliemann</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3)	Which painting, attributed to Leonardo da Vinci, is the most expensive ever sold at auction, having fetched a price of US\$450 million in 2017?	<b><u>Salvator Mundi</u></b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4)	With a summit elevation of 4,892 metres, which is the highest peak in Antarctica? It gets its name from the namesake massif to which it belongs, which is itself named after a United States Congressman from Georgia who was a key supporter of funding for Antarctic research.	Mount <b><u>Vinson</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4)	Which Dutch professional cyclist is the current holder of all three Grand Tour titles on the UCI Women's World Tour? (La Vuelta Femenina, Giro Donne and Tour de France Femmes) She was also World Champion in 2019 and 2022, as well as the Olympic Road Time Trial champion at Tokyo 2020.	Annemiek Van <b><u>Vleuten</u></b> [" <i>vloy-tun</i> "]

## 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)	Which book by Clare-born author Doireann Ní Ghríofa [" <i>deer-un nee greefa</i> "] was awarded the prize for Book of the Year at the 2020 Irish Book Awards? In the novel the author compares her life to that of a 16th century noblewoman named Eibhlín Dubh Ní Chonaill. [" <i>ev-leen dove nee connell</i> "]	A <u>Ghost In The Throat</u>
Q1b (Team A Person 1)	<i>How to Speak Dublin</i> is one of the most popular pieces performed by which contemporary Irish sketch comedy trio, made up of Sean Finegan, Conor McKenna and Sean Flanagan? The group formed in 2008, after the trio met in the drama society at University College Dublin.	<u>Foil Arms And Hog</u>
Q2a (Team B Person 2)	By area, which is the second-largest country in Europe, after Russia? It is found between latitudes 44° and 53° N, and longitudes 22° and 41° E.	<u>Ukraine</u>
Q2b (Team A Person 2)	Which bird, called <i>fáinleog</i> [" <i>fawn-logue</i> "] in Irish, fills in the blank in this idiom: "One BLANK does not a summer make"?	<u>Swallow</u>
Q3a (Team B Person 3)	Introduced worldwide in 2000, the Toyota Prius is the world's best-selling example of a HEV car. What does the H represent in the term HEV? (The second and third letters stand for "electric vehicle")	<u>Hybrid</u>
Q3b (Team A Person 3)	Which English professional snooker player, a three-time Masters champion (2001, 2002 and 2004), died in October 2006, at the age of 27? His best performance in the World Championship was in 2003, when he lost a famous semi-final to Ken Doherty, on a score of 17-16.	Paul <u>Hunter</u>
Q4a (Team B Person 4)	Cabot Cove, a fictional fishing village in the US state of Maine, is the setting for most episodes of which crime drama television series, which aired from 1984 to 1996 and starred Angela Lansbury?	<u>Murder, She Wrote</u>
Q4b (Team A Person 4)	The 2023 Eurovision Song Contest was held in which UK city, since 2022 winner Ukraine was unable to meet the demands of hosting the event due to security concerns caused by the ongoing Russian invasion?	<u>Liverpool</u>

## Round 4 - Team

Team B to pick a topic first

Team A to pick a topic second

## Round 5 - Individual

	Question	Answer
<b>Q1a</b> (Team A Person 1)	By area, which is the fourth largest country in Europe? It is found between latitudes 27° and 44° N, and longitudes 19° W and 5° E.	<u>Spain</u>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1)	Which Irish Paralympic swimmer won the gold medal SB8 100m breaststroke at the 2020 Paralympic Games? This lady, who had previously won bronze in 2016, went on to finish second in the 2022 series of <i>Dancing with the Stars</i> on RTÉ TV.	Ellen <u>Keane</u>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2)	Which former Dutch professional cyclist won the gold medal in the women's road race at the 2016 Summer Olympics and won the Giro Donne on four occasions (2015, '17, '20 and '21)? In 2018 and 2020, she also won the women's road race at the UCI Road World Championships.	Anna van der <u>Breggen</u>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2)	Which bird, called <i>lacha</i> [" <i>lachh-a</i> "] in Irish, fills in the blank in this idiom: "Like water off a BLANK's back"?	<u>Duck</u>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3)	Which book by journalist and writer Sally Hayden was awarded the prize for Book of the Year at the 2022 Irish Book Awards? In the book, her first, Hayden depicts the struggle for African migrants and refugees to get to Europe.	<u>My Fourth Time, We Drowned</u>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3)	Which comedy group was created in 2007 when Chris Tordoff filmed some video sketches in Swinford, County Mayo for a college project? Featuring his friends Martin Maloney and Owen Colgan performing as the characters Eddie Durkan and Buzz McDonnell, after the sketches went viral on YouTube, they were subsequently picked up by RTÉ for a four-season TV series, and a self-titled 2012 film.	The <u>Hardy Bucks</u>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4)	What is the name of atomic element 23, a hard, silvery-grey, malleable transition metal? Its name comes from an alternative name for the Norse goddess Freyja, whose attributes include beauty and fertility, because of the many beautifully coloured chemical compounds it produces.	<u>Vanadium</u> (from Vanadis)
<b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4)	At the 2023 Eurovision Song Contest, following its seventh win, which country now ties Ireland at the top of the competition's roll of honour?	<u>Sweden</u>

### **Round 6 - Team**

Team A to pick a topic first

Team B to pick a topic second

### **Round 7 - Individual**

<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
<b>Q1a</b> (Team B Person 1) Paul Hunter won the first of his Masters titles with a 10-9 victory over which Dublin snooker player in the 2001 final? This player has won one ranking title, the 1999 British Open, where he defeated Anthony Hamilton 9–7 in the final.	Fergal <b><u>O'Brien</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team A Person 1) Between 2015 and 2017, the world's most expensive painting was <i>Interchange</i> , a 1955 abstract expressionist oil painting on canvas by which Dutch-American painter? In 2015 it had sold for US\$300 million.	Willem de <b><u>Kooning</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team B Person 2) Which British archaeologist (1851-1941) is most famous for unearthing the palace of Knossos on the Greek island of Crete? He was also the first to define Cretan scripts Linear A and Linear B, as well as an earlier pictographic writing.	Arthur <b><u>Evans</u></b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team A Person 2) Starting with the 2010 series <i>Mystery Incorporated</i> and continuing in the 2023 series <i>Velma</i> , Crystal Cove is the fictional town that is home to which talking and mystery-solving Great Dane?	<b><u>Scooby Doo</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team B Person 3) To which musician (1945-2018) did Seamus Ennis bequeath his pipes on his death in 1982? A founding member of the music group Planxty in 1972, he later contributed to film scores, including <i>Kidnapped</i> (1979) and <i>A River Runs Through It</i> (1992), as well as working with avant-garde composer John Cage. He is name-checked in the lyrics of Christy Moore's <i>Lisdoonvarna</i> .	Liam <b><u>O'Flynn</u></b> / Liam Óg <b><u>Ó Floinn</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team A Person 3) Introduced in 2012, the Mitsubishi Outlander is the world's best-selling example of a PHEV car. What does the P represent in this term? (The other letters stand for "hybrid electric vehicle")	<b><u>Plug-In</u></b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team B Person 4) With a summit elevation of 3,794 metres, which is the highest active volcano in Antarctica, and the southernmost active volcano on Earth? In 1979 this volcano was the site of the Air New Zealand Flight 901 accident.	Mount <b><u>Erebus</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team A Person 4) Notable for the lack of any Maillard reaction, in which method of cooking is food is placed in a plastic pouch or a glass jar and cooked in a water bath for longer-than-usual cooking times? Also known as low-temperature, long-time (LTLT) cooking this method is usually referred to using a French language term.	<b><u>Sous Vide</u></b> (meaning "under vacuum")

### **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)

<b>Round 9 - Individual</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
<b>Q1a</b> (Team A Person 1)	Launched in November 2020, what number is included in the name of the current release of Sony's PlayStation home games console?	<b>Five</b> (as in PS5)
<b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1)	Beginning in the early 1940s with the work of French composer Pierre Schaeffer, Musique concrète ( 'concrete music') is a type of music composition that utilizes what source of audio?	Pre- <b>recorded sounds</b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2)	Happy 75th birthday today (May 15th) to a musician who was a member of Roxy Music from 1971-73, before coining the term "Ambient music", with the release of his 1978 album <i>Ambient 1: Music for Airports</i> . In the decades since he has also gained further fame as a producer for bands such as U2 and Coldplay. What is his name?	Brian <b>Eno</b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2)	Which politician, who served as deputy First Minister of Northern Ireland between 2020 and 2022, has been Vice President of Sinn Féin since 2018?	Michelle <b>O'Neill</b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3)	In 1948, Pierre Schaeffer used which audio technique to create the first piece of musique concrète, <i>Étude aux chemins de fer</i> , which was assembled from recordings of trains? In this technique, compositions are created from existing pieces, often done through the use of sampling.	Sound <b>collage / montage</b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3)	Launched in November 2020, the current version of Microsoft's Xbox home games console includes two machines, the X and the S. What word is included in their titles, in both cases between the word Xbox and the letter X or S?	<b>Series</b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4)	Which politician, who is Northern Ireland's longest-serving MP, has been leader of the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP) since June 2021?	Jeffrey <b>Donaldson</b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4)	Happy 70th birthday today (May 15th) to a musician who shot to fame with the release of his debut album <i>Tubular Bells</i> in 1973, helped by its opening theme being used for the soundtrack to horror film <i>The Exorcist</i> . A decade later he reached No. 1 in Ireland with his single <i>Moonlight Shadow</i> . What is his name?	Mike <b>Oldfield</b>

<b>Nearest-the-pin</b> (only use if drawn after round 9)	According to their website, irishlights.ie, how many lighthouses are currently overseen by the Commissioners of Irish Lights?	<b>70</b>
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**END OF QUIZ**

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

Question	Answer
Originally appearing on the 1993 Los del Rio album <i>A mí me gusta</i> , a remix of which song by Miami-based producers The Bayside Boys became an international hit and inspired a dance craze in the late 1990s?	<b><u>Macarena</u></b>
Which Fine Gael politician, who served as Minister for Justice from June 2020 to November 2022, is currently a minister without portfolio due to being on maternity leave?	Helen <b><u>McEntee</u></b>
On Sunday last, the editor of which Irish newspaper issued an apology after it was revealed that an opinion article published last week, labelling Irish people's use of fake tan as "cultural appropriation", was later discovered to have been an AI-created hoax?	The <b><u>Irish Times</u></b>
Irish side Connacht were defeated in the semi-final of the United Rugby Championship on Saturday by which South African team, based in Cape Town?	<b><u>Stormers</u></b>

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## TEAM QUESTIONS

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### Weather

<b>Q1</b> <i>Weather with You</i> is the name of a 1992 single released by which Australian-New Zealand rock band? It was the third and most successful single from the group's third album <i>Woodface</i> , which reached #19 in Ireland and #7 in the UK in 1991.	<b><u>Crowded House</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> Which American jazz fusion band was founded in 1970 by Austrian keyboardist Joe Zawinul, American saxophonist Wayne Shorter, Czech bassist Miroslav Vitouš and American drummer Alphonse Mouzon?	<b><u>Weather Report</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> <i>The Weather Man</i> is a 2005 American dark comedy-drama film directed by Gore Verbinski. Which actor portrayed the lead role of David Spritz, a weatherman in the midst of a mid-life crisis?	Nicholas <b><u>Cage</u></b> (born Nicholas <b><u>Coppola</u></b> )
<b>Q4</b> Originally known as the Weathermen, which far-left militant organization was active in the USA from 1969 until the mid-1970s? While it did carry out several bombings, its most famous operation was the 1970 jailbreak of psychedelic drug advocate Timothy Leary. A namesake 2002 film, telling the story of the group's rise and fall, was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Documentary.	The <b><u>Weather Underground</u></b>

### Prime Time

<b>Q1</b> While he was known as Convoy in Japan, what name was used in the rest of the world for the leader of the Autobots faction in the Transformers franchise?	<b><u>Optimus Prime</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> In film and photography, a prime lens is one where which attribute of the lens is fixed at a specific value?	<b><u>Focal length</u></b> (as opposed to a zoom lens)
<b>Q3</b> Prime is a range of sports and energy drinks created and marketed by Prime Hydration. The announcement and the release of the product in 2022 was followed by a social media hype associated with which <b><u>two</u></b> YouTube personalities, who promoted it? (need both)	<b><u>Logan Paul</u></b> / <b><u>KSI</u></b> (born Aka Olajide <b><u>Olatunji</u></b> ) - need <b>both</b>
<b>Q4</b> In what year did online retailer Amazon start offering their Prime membership service? Long before the advent of Prime Video, its initial offering was free two-day shipping within the contiguous United States for an annual fee of \$79 and discounted one-day shipping rates.	<b><u>2005</u></b>



### O'Connell Street Statues

<b>Q1</b>	The northernmost statue on Dublin's O'Connell Street commemorates which man, leader of the Home Rule League from 1880 to 1882 and leader of the Irish Parliamentary Party from 1882 to 1891?	Charles Stewart <b><u>Parnell</u></b>
<b>Q2</b>	O'Connell Street's monument to which trade union leader (born Liverpool, 1874) is a bronze statue atop a Wicklow granite plinth? Designed by Oisín Kelly, this monument was unveiled in 1980.	James <b><u>Larkin</u></b>
<b>Q3</b>	Originally erected in 1870 on an island at the O'Connell Bridge entrance to D'Olier Street, the monument to which aristocratic leader of the Young Irelander Rebellion was moved to O'Connell Street in 1929?	William Smith <b><u>O'Brien</u></b>
<b>Q4</b>	Which Mayo-born surgeon, journalist and politician is commemorated by a statue of Sicilian marble on O'Connell Street? The dedication noting "the splendid supply of pure water which he secured for Dublin" marks his work on the Vartry Reservoir scheme in the 1860s, credited with a hugely beneficial impact to public health in Dublin.	John <b><u>Gray</u></b>

### Cinematographers

<b>Q1</b>	Doing so for the film <i>Roma</i> , who in 2019 became the first person to win both the Academy Award for Best Cinematography and the Academy Award for Best Director?	Alfonso <b><u>Cuarón</u></b>
<b>Q2</b>	Which Dutch film director, known for 1990s action films such as <i>Speed</i> and <i>Twister</i> , had previously worked as cinematographer on several blockbusters including <i>Die Hard</i> , <i>The Hunt for Red October</i> and <i>Basic Instinct</i> ?	Jan de <b><u>Bont</u></b>
<b>Q3</b>	Starting with <i>The Shawshank Redemption</i> in 1994, which British cinematographer was nominated for the cinematography Oscar on 13 occasions before finally winning it for his work on <i>Blade Runner 2049</i> ? He has since been nominated on a further two occasions, winning a second Oscar for the film <i>1917</i> .	Roger <b><u>Deakins</u></b>
<b>Q4</b>	Which American cinematographer, who won three Academy Awards from 10 nominations, had to wait an incredible 30 years between his first Oscar ( <i>Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid</i> ) and his second ( <i>American Beauty</i> )? In 2002, he won a third, posthumous, Oscar for his work on <i>Road to Perdition</i> .	Conrad L. <b><u>Hall</u></b>

### **Knot What You Think**

<b>Q1</b> The four-in-hand knot, the Pratt knot, the Windsor knot and the half-Windsor are the four most common types of knot used with which type of decorative clothing item?	<b><u>Necktie / Tie</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> Reputedly, whoever could untie this complex knot would be destined to rule all of Asia. What was the name of this knot on an ox cart which, in 333 BCE, was supposedly "untied" by Alexander the Great using a direct approach, with his sword?	<b><u>Gordian</u> knot / <u>Gordium</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> Name the recording devices fashioned from strings which were historically used by a number of cultures in the region of Andean South America? The cords of this item stored numeric and other values encoded as knots, often in a base ten positional system.	<b><u>Quipu / Khipu</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> Which type of knot used to secure a rope to an object or another rope? These knots are classified based on their ability to be tightened or released, their resistance to slipping, and their strength. Some common varieties of these knots include the fisherman's knot, the water knot, and the clove.	<b><u>Hitch</u></b>

### **Sweet Home Alabama**

<b>Q1</b> The 1974 rock song <i>Sweet Home Alabama</i> was composed and released by which southern US rock band, originally founded in 1964?	<b><u>Lynyrd Skynyrd</u></b>
<b>Q2</b> Which Canadian singer-songwriter is name-checked and dissed in the lyrics of <i>Sweet Home Alabama</i> ? The song was written in response to this man's 1970 track <i>Southern Man</i> , which the band felt blamed the entire South for American slavery.	Neil <b><u>Young</u></b>
<b>Q3</b> A notable section of <i>Sweet Home Alabama</i> 's lyrics refers to which controversial US politician, who served as Governor of Alabama for four terms between 1963 and 1987?	George <b><u>Wallace</u></b>
<b>Q4</b> Which Irish No. 1 single of 2008 by American rapper Kid Rock features the chorus, guitar solo and piano outro from <i>Sweet Home Alabama</i> ?	<b><u>All Summer Long</u></b>

## Colombians

<b>Q1</b> Who is the best-selling Colombian music artist of all time? This lady has sold in excess of 90 million records (in both English and Spanish) since debuting at the age of 13 in 1991.	<b>Shakira</b> (full name Shakira <b>Mebarak</b> Ripoll)
<b>Q2</b> Which Colombian novelist, short-story writer, screenwriter, and journalist was awarded the 1982 Nobel Prize in Literature? Notable works by this author include <i>Chronicle of a Death Foretold</i> (1981) and <i>Love in the Time of Cholera</i> (1985).	Gabriel <b>García Márquez</b> (accept either surname)
<b>Q3</b> Which Colombian cyclist is known as "El Cóndor de los Andes"? A specialist climber, he is also a competent time triallist and has had success in cycling's Grand Tours, winning the 2014 Giro d'Italia and 2016 Vuelta a España, as well as 2nd place overall in the Tour de France of 2013 and 2015.	Nairo <b>Quintana</b>
<b>Q4</b> Which politician, the President of Colombia from 2010 to 2018, was the recipient of the 2016 Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts negotiating a peace treaty with the country's FARC guerrillas?	Juan Manuel <b>Santos</b>

## Flann O'Brien

<b>Q1</b> On 16th June 1954, the 50th anniversary of the events in the novel <i>Ulysses</i> , Flann O'Brien was one of a group (alongside Patrick Kavanagh, Anthony Cronin and others) who set off on a pilgrimage of the sites mentioned in the book. This was the first marking of which now-annual literary commemoration?	<b>Bloomsday</b>
<b>Q2</b> Which 1939 novel is widely considered to be O'Brien's masterpiece, and one of the most sophisticated examples of metafiction? In the book an unnamed student tells his own life story, intertwined with three other stories he is currently working on.	<b>At Swim-Two-Birds</b>
<b>Q3</b> From late 1940 to early 1966, O'Brien wrote short columns for <i>The Irish Times</i> under the title "Cruiskeen Lawn", using which moniker? In 1941 he published the highly-regarded Irish language novel <i>An Béal Bocht</i> ( <i>The Poor Mouth</i> ) under this name.	Myles na <b>gCopaleen</b> ["nah goppa-leen"]
<b>Q4</b> The name Flann O'Brien was itself a pseudonym. What was the birth name of this writer, who also wrote pieces as Brother Barnabas and George Knowall?	Brian <b>O'Nolan</b>