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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>
Q1a (Team A Person 1)	Which British actress, best known for playing Rebecca Welton in the comedy series <i>Ted Lasso</i> , was the breakout star of the 2023 Eurovision Song Contest, where she was one of the hosts?	Hannah <u>Waddingham</u>
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	Except for black holes and some hypothetical objects, what are the smallest and densest currently known class of stellar objects? These objects typically have a radius of 10-20 km and a mass of about 1.4 solar masses. They result from the supernova explosion of a massive star combined with gravitational collapse.	<u>Neutron star</u>
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	Which American actor, comedian and filmmaker, one of just 18 entertainers who have won an EGOT (Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony), was born in New York in 1926 with the birth surname of Kaminsky? Probably best known as a writer and director of comedy films, this man was married to actress Anne Bancroft from 1964 until her death in 2005.	Mel <u>Brooks</u>
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	Stadio Diego Armando Maradona, formerly known as Stadio San Paolo, is the fourth largest football stadium in Italy. It is located in the western Fuorigrotta suburb of which city?	<u>Naples / Napoli</u>
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	Which Limerick runner, who represented Ireland at the 1972 and 1976 Olympic Games, is the only Irish person to win the Boston Marathon? In 1981, seven years after winning in Boston, he won the Dublin Marathon.	Neil <u>Cusack</u>
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	Please fill in the missing word in the First Law of Thermodynamics: "The total [BLANK] in a system remains constant, although it may be converted from one form to another."	<u>Energy</u>
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	In 2022, which Irish musician released the memoir <i>Surrender: 40 Songs, One Story</i> ? His band released a companion album to the book, featuring re-recorded versions of their back catalogue.	<u>Bono</u> / Paul <u>Hewson</u>
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	Regarded as one of the greatest French rulers, who was the first monarch to style himself as "King of France"? Reigning from 1180 to 1223, this man had a decades long conflict with the Plantagenet kings of England. He is portrayed by Timothy Dalton in the 1968 film <i>The Lion in Winter</i> .	<u>Philip II</u> / <u>Philip Augustus</u> (prompt on "Philip")

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 website, founded in in 2008 by Nate Silver, takes its name from the number of electors in the United States electoral college? The site focuses on opinion poll analysis, politics, economics, and sports blogging.	<u>FiveThirtyEight</u> / <u>538</u>
Q1b (Team A Person 1)	Which social e-commerce platform, where users can buy and resell their items, was founded in Italy in 2011 by entrepreneur Simon Beckerman? Most of the items sold on this site are used, vintage, and repurposed pieces of clothing. This site was bought by Etsy.com for \$1.6 billion in 2021.	<u>Depop</u> / <u>Depop.com</u>
Q2a (Team B Person 2)	The 1933 musical black comedy film <i>Duck Soup</i> , directed by Leo McCarey, starred which comedy group? Other films starring this group include <i>Animal Crackers</i> (1930), <i>Horse Feathers</i> (1932) and <i>A Night at the Opera</i> (1935).	The <u>Marx Brothers</u>
Q2b (Team A Person 2)	The most northerly point on the island of Ireland is located in which county?	<u>Donegal</u> (Malin Head)
Q3a (Team B Person 3)	Which of the two lines of Dublin city's Luas light rail system crosses the city centre in a north-south direction? Its northern terminus is Broombridge while the southern is Brides Glen.	<u>Green</u> Line
Q3b (Team A Person 3)	<i>The Bells (Opus 35)</i> is a choral symphony written in 1913 and premiered in St. Petersburg on November 30th of that year. The conductor of its debut performance was also its composer. Who?	Sergei <u>Rachmaninoff</u>
Q4a (Team B Person 4)	Which conservative radio host was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom award by Donald Trump in 2020? This man hosted an eponymous radio show from 1984 until just before his death in February 2021.	Rush <u>Limbaugh</u>
Q4b (Team A Person 4)	Which 1980 maze action video game, developed and released by Namco, features a playable character who must eat all the dots inside an enclosed maze while avoiding four coloured ghosts?	<u>Pac-Man</u>

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)	The 1927 comedy silent film <i>Duck Soup</i> , directed by Fred Guiol ["gill"], starred which comedy duo? With the subsequent introduction of "talkies", this film was remade by the duo as 1930's <i>Another Fine Mess</i> .	<u>Laurel and Hardy</u>
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	Which British singer and TV personality, who first gained recognition in the early 2000s as a member of the R&B group Mis-Teeq, was another of the hosts of the 2023 Eurovision Song Contest? This lady has previously been a judge on shows such as <i>Strictly Come Dancing</i> and <i>Britain's Got Talent</i> .	Alesha <u>Dixon</u>
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	Which King of France from 1380 until his death in 1422 was initially nicknamed "the Beloved" (<i>le Bien-Aimé</i>) and later "the Mad" (<i>le Fol</i> or <i>le Fou</i>)? A character in Shakespeare's <i>Henry V</i> , he has been portrayed on screen by various actors including Harcourt Williams (1944) and Paul Scofield (1989).	<u>Charles VI</u> (prompt on "Charles")
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	The most southerly point on the island of Ireland is located in which county?	<u>Cork</u> (Brow Head, near Mizen Head)
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	Which biotechnology company based in San Francisco is best known for providing a direct-to-consumer genetic testing service in which customers provide a saliva sample that is laboratory analysed? Part of the company's name is derived from the pairs of chromosomes in a diploid human cell.	<u>23andMe</u>
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	Which e-commerce site, an online marketplace for new, used, and vintage musical equipment, was founded in 2013 by David Kalt, the owner of musical instrument store Chicago Music Exchange? This site was acquired by Etsy.com for \$275 million in 2019.	<u>Reverb / Reverb.com</u>
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	The existence of which type of star was proposed in 1992 by Robert Duncan and Christopher Thompson? Like other neutron stars, these objects are usually around 20 km in diameter, and have a mass of about 1.4 solar masses. However, they differ from other neutron stars by having even stronger magnetic fields, and by rotating more slowly in comparison.	<u>Magnetar</u>
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	Which 1978 shoot 'em up arcade game, developed and sold by Taito, features players trying to defeat wave after wave of descending aliens with a horizontally moving laser?	<u>Space Invaders</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) Rachmaninoff's <i>The Bells</i> is based on an 1848 poem by which American writer? Although written in 1848, the poem was not published until November 1849, the month after the author's death.	Edgar Allan <u>Poe</u>
Q1b (Team A Person 1) Please fill in the missing term from the Third Law of Thermodynamics: "The entropy of a system approaches a constant value when its temperature approaches..." what?	<u>Absolute Zero / 0 Kelvin / 0K / -273 °C / -459 °F</u>
Q2a (Team B Person 2) Which Cavan runner has held the women's national record for the marathon since 1998 when she achieved a time of 2:22.23 while winning the Amsterdam Marathon? Early that same year, she had also won the London Marathon.	Catherina <u>McKiernan</u>
Q2b (Team A Person 2) On 24th April 2023, Fox News cancelled the namesake nightly news show hosted by which American political commentator, writer and television personality? Before its abrupt cancellation, this controversial program had aired from 2014.	Tucker <u>Carlson</u>
Q3a (Team B Person 3) Mel Brooks first Grammy Award was for Best Comedy Album for 1997's <i>The 2000 Year Old Man in the Year 2000</i> . This was the fifth <i>2000 Year Old Man</i> record that Brooks had released since 1960, alongside which friend and collaborator? This man's long career spanned from <i>Your Show of Shows</i> on US TV in the 1950s to playing the character of Saul Bloom in the post-2000 <i>Ocean's Eleven</i> movie series.	Carl <u>Reiner</u>
Q3b (Team A Person 3) Which of the two lines of Dublin city's Luas light rail system crosses the city centre in an east-west direction? Its westernmost terminus is Saggart while the easternmost is The Point.	<u>Red</u> Line
Q4a (Team B Person 4) In 2021, which Irish musician released the memoir <i>Rememberings</i> ? Speaking in the book of an infamous 1992 TV appearance she said "Everyone wants a pop star, see? But I am a protest singer. I just had stuff to get off my chest."	Sinead <u>O'Connor</u> / Shuhada' <u>Sadaqat</u>
Q4b (Team A Person 4) Named in 2004 to honour the fact that he made his professional debut here in 1976, the 26,000 capacity Estadio Diego Armando Maradona is located in the Villa General Mitre neighbourhood of which South American city?	<u>Buenos Aires</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
Q1a (Team A Person 1)	Prior to the introduction of the euro, what had been the currency of Greece?	<u>Drachma</u>
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	Which city, the name of which translates as "Southern Capital", served as the capital of various Chinese dynasties, kingdoms and republican governments, dating from the 3rd century until 1949?	<u>Nanjing</u>
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	Which Levantine dish consists of finely chopped roasted aubergine, olive oil, lemon juice, various seasonings, and tahini? It is a typical meze ('starter'), often served as a side to a main meal and as a dip for pita bread. Its name roughly translates as "spoiled daddy".	<u>Baba Ghanoush</u>
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	Which comedian and television personality from County Down was recently announced as the new host of <i>The Late Late Show</i> on RTÉ?	Patrick <u>Kielty</u>
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	Which city, the capital of Shaanxi Province, is one of the Chinese Four Great Ancient Capitals, with Beijing, Nanjing and Luoyang? Today it is the second-most popular tourist destination in China, particularly due to the mausoleum of Emperor Qin Shi Huang.	<u>Xi'an</u>
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	Prior to the introduction of the euro, what had been the currency of Austria?	<u>Schilling</u>
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	On April 27th, which English actor, comedian and singer hosted his final episode of US tv channel CBS's <i>Late Late Show</i> ? He had hosted this late-night talk show since 2015.	James <u>Corden</u>
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	Which Sicilian dish consists of chopped fried aubergine and other vegetables, seasoned with olive oil, tomato sauce, celery, olives, and capers, in an agrodolce sauce?	<u>Caponata</u>

Nearest-the-pin (only use if drawn after round 9) According to Google Maps, how long in kilometres is the shortest route via road from the Mizen Head Visitor Centre to the Signal Tower on Malin Head?

602 km

END OF QUIZ

Spare questions
(only use if necessary)

Question	Answer
Following local elections last week, which party became the largest in local government in Northern Ireland for the first time?	<u>Sinn Féin</u>
Manila is the capital and second-most populous city of which country?	<u>Philippines</u>
Which English novelist, known for books such as <i>Money</i> (1984) and <i>London Fields</i> (1989), passed away on May 19th at the age of 73?	Martin <u>Amis</u>
The ruling New Democracy party scored what has been called a crushing victory in parliamentary elections in which European country last week? However, their 40.8% of the vote falls just short of the threshold needed to form a government on its own.	<u>Greece</u>

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Crusaders

Q1 First appearing in Issue 27 of <i>Detective Comics</i> in March 1939, which superhero is often referred to by the epithet "The Caped Crusader"?	Batman / Bruce Wayne
Q2 <i>Slaughterhouse-Five</i> , Kurt Vonnegut's 1969 semi-autobiographic anti-war novel, includes the name of which failed popular crusade in its subtitle? Modern scholars now believe there may have been two movements, in France and Germany, that have since been conflated. Both are said to have been started by teenage boys.	Children's Crusade
Q3 Simon de Montfort the Elder was a leader in which military and ideological, campaign initiated by Pope Innocent III to eliminate Catharism in Languedoc, southern France? This campaign took place between 1209 and 1229 CE.	Albigensian Crusade
Q4 While Crusaders FC are a football team in Belfast, in which southern hemisphere city are the Crusaders rugby union team based? This side are the most successful team in Super Rugby, having won the competition on 11 occasions between 1998 and 2022.	Christchurch

All-Ireland Winning Families

Q1 Three men from county Kerry hold the record for the most All-Ireland senior medals between brothers. What is the surname of Pat, Tom and Mick, who between them won 19 senior football titles?	Spillane
Q2 With Galway's victory over Kildare in the 1998 All-Ireland football final, which family became the first to have All-Ireland winners over three generations?	Donnellan ["Donlon"] (Michael, John and Michael)
Q3 That particular record could have been taken by a different family two weeks earlier. A player lined out for Kilkenny in the 1998 All-Ireland hurling final who was also the son and grandson of All-Ireland winners. However, he lost out that day to Offaly and it would be the year 2000 before which family was added to the list of three generation All-Ireland winners?	Larkin (Paddy, Phil a.k.a. "Fan" and Philly)
Q4 Which family produced the two sisters with the most All-Ireland senior football medals? Eileen and Margaret won an incredible 10 All-Ireland titles each, including playing together on Kerry's nine-in-a-row between 1982 and '90.	Lawlor

Yacht Rock

"Yacht Rock" is an umbrella term given to a style of American soft rock from between the late 1970s and early 1980s that featured elements of smooth soul, smooth jazz, R&B, funk, rock and disco.

Q1 Referred to by Sugar Ray lead singer Mark McGrath as "the torch bearer of all things yacht rock", the full title of Rupert Holmes' 1979 hit song <i>Escape</i> includes the name of which cocktail? This drink is made up of rum, coconut milk and pineapple juice.	<u>Piña Colada</u>
Q2 Which musical duo, formed in Philadelphia in 1970, were one of the most successful acts of the Yacht Rock era, with hits such as <i>I Can't Go for That (No Can Do)</i> , <i>Maneater</i> and <i>Out of Touch</i> ?	Daryl <u>Hall and</u> John <u>Oates</u>
Q3 Which American singer and songwriter, known for his distinctive voice, scored hits with Steely Dan and The Doobie Brothers before hitting the top of the Irish charts in 1986, duetting with Patti La Belle on the song <i>On My Own</i> ?	Michael <u>McDonald</u>
Q4 The winner of Grammy Awards for both Song of the Year and Record of the Year in 1980, <i>What a Fool Believes</i> by The Doobie Brothers was co-written by Michael McDonald and which other Yacht rocker? This man scored several hits in the early 1980s with songs from the soundtracks to films such as <i>Caddyshack</i> , <i>Footloose</i> and <i>Top Gun</i> .	Kenny <u>Loggins</u>

Madeira

Q1 Which famous footballer was born in February 1985 in Funchal, the capital of the Portuguese island of Madeira? This footballer left Madeira in 1997, at the age of 12, when he was signed by Sporting of Lisbon.	Cristiano <u>Ronaldo</u>
Q2 Mistakenly thought to originate from the Madeira Islands, it was actually named after Madeira wine. What type of cake, notable for the use of beaten eggs instead of yeast, is a Madeira cake?	<u>Sponge</u>
Q3 What collective name is used for the four volcanic archipelagos of the North Atlantic, that includes the island of Madeira? The other members of this group as the Azores, the Canary Islands and Cape Verde.	<u>Macaronesia</u>
Q4 <i>Have Some Madeira M'Dear</i> is a darkly comic song released in 1957 by which British comedic duo? The song was originally part of their musical show <i>At the Drop of a Hat</i> .	Michael <u>Flanders and</u> Donald <u>Swann</u>

Inspired By Yeats

Q1 The title of which 2005 book by Cormac McCarthy is taken from the opening line of William Butler Yeats' 1928 poem <i>Sailing to Byzantium</i> ? This book was turned into a multi-award-winning film of the same name in 2007.	<u>No Country For Old Men</u>
Q2 <i>Slouching Towards Bethlehem</i> , a 1968 collection of essays by Joan Didion, takes its name from the final line of which Yeats poem of 1919? The poem itself gives its name to a 1980 novel by Walker Percy and a 1994 album by The Stone Roses.	The <u>Second Coming</u>
Q3 Which three words, the first of line 3 of <i>The Second Coming</i> , have since been used as the title for several works, including a 1958 book by Chinua Achebe, a 1999 album by The Roots and, with a change of tense, a BBC podcast hosted by writer Jon Ronson?	<u>Things Fall Apart</u>
Q4 The 2001 novel <i>The Dying Animal</i> , which also takes its title from <i>Sailing to Byzantium</i> , is the work of which American author (1933-2018)? Other works by this writer include <i>Goodbye, Columbus</i> , <i>Portnoy's Complaint</i> and <i>The Human Stain</i> .	Philip <u>Roth</u>

Korean Cuisine

Q1 Which traditional Korean dish consisting of salted and fermented vegetables, most commonly napa cabbage or Korean radish, is a staple food in Korean cuisine and is eaten as a side dish with almost every meal?	<u>Kimchi</u>
Q2 Kimchi is an example of the small side dishes served along with cooked rice in Korean cuisine. Usually set in the middle of the table to be shared, by what name are these dishes known?	<u>Banchan</u>
Q3 The presence of the word "guksu" in the name of a Korean dish indicates that it includes what?	<u>Noodles</u>
Q4 Yuzu / Yuja tea is a popular drink in Korea, regarded as a home remedy for the common cold. It is made by mixing hot water with yuja-cheong, which is made from a citrus fruit resembling a small grapefruit. <i>Cheong</i> translates to which English language word - something we wouldn't put in tea but might consume alongside a cup of it?	<u>Marmalade</u>

Flag Carriers

Q1 Traditionally the term "flag-carrier" referred to an airline owned by its home country. Today the definition is looser, referring to an airline that represents its home country internationally. For example, while no longer government-owned, the airline Qantas is still considered to be the flag-carrier of which country?	<u>Australia</u>
Q2 Through its predecessor SCADTA, Avianca is the world's second oldest extant airline after KLM, and celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2019. The second-largest airline in South America, Avianca is the flag-carrier of which country?	<u>Colombia</u>
Q3 Since May 2021, the airline Belavia has been banned from the European Union, the United Kingdom and Switzerland. In which nation is it based?	<u>Belarus</u>
Q4 One of the youngest flag-carriers, Nordica is a 100% state-owned airline based in which European country? It was founded in 2015, following the liquidation of the previous national carrier due to bankruptcy. The bankrupt airline had itself only been established in 1991.	<u>Estonia</u>

Flag Bearers

Q1 Which boxer was Ireland's flag bearer at the 2012 Summer Olympic Games? Later in those same games, she won gold in the lightweight division.	Katie <u>Taylor</u>
Q2 Who was the flag bearer for the USA at the opening ceremony of the 2016 Summer Olympics? This person is the most decorated Olympic athlete in history, having won 23 gold, 3 silver and 2 bronze medals during their career.	Michael <u>Phelps</u>
Q3 Which basketballer, the winner of four NBA championships with the San Antonio Spurs, was the flag bearer for his native Argentina at the 2008 Summer Olympics?	Emanuel 'Manu' <u>Ginóbili</u>
Q4 Which subsequent politician and diplomat carried the British team flag at the 1920 Summer Olympics? At those games he won a silver medal in the 1500m. In 1959 he became the only person to have won an Olympic medal and received a Nobel Prize, when he was awarded the Peace prize "for his longstanding contribution to the cause of disarmament".	Philip Noel- <u>Baker</u> / Philip <u>Baker</u>