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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
Q1a (Team A Person 1)	The company now known as Eir was originally formed in 1984 under what name? This company took over the telephone service that had previously been provided by the Department of Posts and Telegraphs.	(Bord) <u>Telecom</u> <u>Eireann</u>
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	In 1999, Telecom Eireann was privatised and renamed as what? While the company has been known as Eir since 2015, its official name remains this six-letter portmanteau.	<u>Eircom</u>
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	Which famous video game character was originally called Puck Man, a name derived from the Japanese phrase paku paku taberu, which refers to gobbling something up?	<u>Pac-Man</u>
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	Which famous video game character was originally called Jump Man when he first appeared, as the player character in 1981's Donkey Kong? He was renamed and given his own game in 1983.	<u>Mario</u>
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	Born Josephine Esther Mentzer in New York in 1908, which American businesswoman co-founded a famous and eponymous cosmetics company with her husband?	Estée <u>Lauder</u>
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	Born Florence Nightingale Graham in 1881 in Ontario, which Canadian-American businesswoman founded a famous cosmetics firm in 1910, under a name she had adopted to save money on signage for her first salon?	Elizabeth <u>Arden</u>
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	What is the name of the western branch of the East African Rift, that covers parts of Uganda, the DRC, Rwanda, Burundi and Tanzania? It is named after a 19th century member of the British royal family.	<u>Albertine</u> Rift
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	What is the name of the eastern branch of the East African Rift fracture system? This set of faults extends southward from the Gulf of Aden through Ethiopia and Kenya into Northern Tanzania. It is named in honour of a British geologist.	<u>Gregory</u> Rift

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 Irish actor, who was nominated for an Academy Award in 2023, played the lead role of Detective Ray Velcoro in the second series of anthology crime drama television series <i>True Detective?</i>	Colin <u>Farrell</u>
	hay velcoro in the second series of anthology crime drama television series true betective:	
Q1b (Team A Person 1)	Which actress, the recipient of two Academy Awards, is playing the lead role of Liz Danvers in the current	Jodie <u>Foster</u>
	fourth series of anthology crime drama television series <i>True Detective?</i>	
Q2a (Team B Person 2)	Which Irish singer-songwriter died at the age of just 32, after hitting his head following a fall in Groningen,	Mic Christopher
	Netherlands, in November 2001? Following additional contributions from his friends, his only album	
	Skylarkin' was released in 2002, featuring the hit song Heyday.	
Q2b (Team A Person 2)	Which Irish composer died of a heart attack in March 2016, at the age of just 36? Following work from his	Conor Walsh
	family and friends, his debut album The Lucid was released in 2019.	
Q3a (Team B Person 3)	Which 1868 novel by Wilkie Collins established many of the ground rules of the modern detective novel	The Moonstone
	and is also perhaps the earliest clear example of the police procedural genre?	
Q3b (Team A Person 3)	Which 1860 novel by Wilkie Collins is an early example of detective fiction, in which protagonist Walter	The Woman In White
	Hartright employs many of the sleuthing techniques of later private detectives?	
Q4a (Team B Person 4)	Taking effect in October 1582, following the papal bull <i>Inter gravissimas</i> , which calendar is today used in	<u>Gregorian</u>
	most parts of the world? Greece was the last European country to adopt it, doing so in 1923.	
Q4b (Team A Person 4)	Taking effect in 45 BC, which calendar became the predominant one in the Roman Empire and	Julian
Q+b (Team AT erson 4)	subsequently most of the Western world for more than 1,600 years, until 1582 when Pope Gregory XIII	Julian
	promulgated the revised calendar?	

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 open-air museum located outside Omagh, County Tyrone, is one of the four administered by	<u>Ulster American Folk</u>
	National Museums Northern Ireland? Featuring over 30 exhibit buildings to explore, this museum tells the	<u>Park</u>
	story of Irish emigration.	
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	Name either of the pair of museums, two of the four administered by National Museums Northern	<u>Ulster Folk Museum</u> /
	Ireland, that are located in Cultra, County Down? One of these includes a working water-powered mill	<u>Ulster Transport</u>
	while the other includes a DeLorean car among its exhibits.	<u>Museum</u>
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	In what year did Ireland first host the IAAF World Cross Country championships? There was notable home	<u>1979</u>
	success at this event, which was held in Limerick, when Irish runner John Treacy won the men's title for	
	the second year in-a-row.	
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	In what year did Ireland most recently host the IAAF World Cross Country championships? Home success	2002
	at this event arrived when the senior women's team, led by Sonia O'Sullivan, won bronze in the women's	
	short race.	
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	Which team from county Galway won the 2024 All-Ireland senior club hurling final, with victory over	St. Thomas'
	Kilkenny side O'Loughlin Gaels on January 21st?	
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	Which team from Derry won the 2024 All-Ireland senior club football final, with victory over Roscommon	Watty Graham's /
	side St. Brigid's on January 21st?	Glen (accept either)
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	The modern-day country of Iraq was created in 1921 by combining three provinces (Vilayet) of the	<u>Basra</u>
	defunct Ottoman empire. Which was the southernmost of these three provinces? It shared its name with	
	its capital city, Iraq's main port situated on the Shatt al-Arab. British troops controlled this area between	
	2003 and 2007.	
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	Which was the northernmost of the three Ottoman provinces that were combined to create Iraq? This	Mosul
	vilayet shared its name with its capital, now the second-largest city in Iraq after the capital Baghdad. This	
	city was controlled by the Islamic State between 2014 and 2017.	
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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)	Which city on the island of Sumatra was the closest major city to the epicentre of the 2004 Indian Ocean	Banda Aceh
	Earthquake? The quake and the subsequent tsunami flattened much of the city, with only a few buildings	
	including (famously) a mosque surviving?	
Q1b (Team A Person 1)	Due to close proximity to the 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake, its tsunami took just minutes to devastate	Andaman and
	which union territory of India, made up of 836 islands administered as two island groups? This territory's	<u>Nicobar</u> Islands
	capital city, Port Blair, however was not badly affected as it was shielded from the waves by local	
	geography.	
Q2a (Team B Person 2)	What is the name of the highest-selling brand of instant noodle in Ireland? This just-add-boiling-water	Pot Noodle
	product was launched in the UK in 1977 by Golden Wonder but is now owned by Unilever. In Ireland it is	
	sold by Boyne Valley foods.	
Q2b (Team A Person 2)	What is the name of the second highest-selling brand of noodle in Ireland? Unlike Pot Noodle, these are	<u>Koka</u>
	not produced locally by an Irish licensee. Instead they are manufactured and packaged by Tat Hui's Foods,	
	based in Jurong, Singapore.	
Q3a (Team B Person 3)	Which breed of toy dog was favoured by royalty of the Chinese Imperial court as a companion dog?	Pekingese / Pekinese
	Indeed, until the 1860s, it could only be owned by members of the Chinese Imperial Palace. The name of	
	the breed still features a former name of the city in which they were bred.	
Q3b (Team A Person 3)	Upon its introduction to the UK and Ireland in the 1880s, which breed of cat was known as the 'Royal Cat',	<u>Siamese</u>
	due to a claim that they had previously been kept only by royalty in their East Asian country of origin? The	
	name of this breed today features a former name for that country.	
Q4a (Team B Person 4)	Having previously served as Prime Minister from 2014-15, Alexander Stubb is now the President-elect of	<u>Finland</u>
	which European country, following his victory in February's election?	
Q4b (Team A Person 4)	Prabowo Subianto, the current Minister of Defence, is the presumptive victor of the Presidential election	<u>Indonesia</u>
	that took place on February 14th in which populous Asian country?	

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)

Question	Answer
Following the retirement of Johnny Sexton, which Munster player has succeeded him as captain of the	Peter O'Mahony
Irish men's rugby team?	
Singer-songwriter Alecia Beth Moore (born 1979) is much better known under which colourful stage	<u>Pink</u>
name?	
Who will represent Ireland in the Eurovision Song Contest 2024 after winning the national final Eurosong	Bambie Thug (a.k.a.
2024 with the song <i>Doomsday Blue</i> ?	Bambie Ray <u>Robinson</u>)
Irish swimmer Daniel Wiffen has had an incredible week, winning world championships in both the 800	Doha
and 1500m freestyle at the 2024 World Aquatics Championships. In which Asian capital city is this event	
taking place?	

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TEAM QUESTIONS

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Former British Colonies

Q1	Which city was founded after the Qing dynasty ceded the territory to the British in 1842 as a consequence of losing the First	Hong Kong
	Opium War? This territory was transferred from the United Kingdom back to China in 1997.	
Q2	Which modern day country was known as British Honduras between 1783 and 1973? This country achieved its	<u>Belize</u>
	independence from the United Kingdom in 1981.	
Q3	Which island in the Mediterranean became a British possession in 1713, under the terms the Treaty of Utrecht? Much	<u>Menorca</u>
	fought-over during the following 90 years, the island was eventually repossessed by Spain following the Treaty of Amiens in	
	1802.	
Q4	Which port city located in the south of the Arabian peninsula was under British administration from 1839 to 1967? Since a	<u>Aden</u>
	2014 coup d'etat, this city has been the temporary seat of the Yemeni government.	

Born This Way

Q1	Which 1966 no. 1 hit on the Irish charts begins with the lyric "In the town where I was born, Lived a man who sailed to sea"?	Yellow Submarine (The Beatles)
Q2	"I was born in the wagon of a travellin' show" claims Cher, in the opening line to which big hit of 1971? A US Billboard no. 1, it also reached no. 3 on the Irish charts.	Gypsies Tramps And Thieves
Q3	"I was born long ago, I'm the chosen, I'm the one" are the opening lines of which Grammy-nominated 1993 song, the first Top 10 hit on the Irish charts for singer-songwriter Lenny Kravitz?	Are You Gonna Go My Way
Q4	"I was born by the river, In a little tent" are the opening lines of which 1964 song by Sam Cooke? Though a modest hit for Cooke at the time, by 2021 it appeared on Rolling Stone's list of the 500 Greatest Songs of All Time, ranked at No. 3.	A Change Is Gonna Come

John Bruton

Q1	The late John Bruton, who passed away on February 6th, was a former leader and life-long member of which Irish political	Fine Gael
	party?	
Q2	The pinnacle of Bruton's career was his 2½ years as Taoiseach in the 1990s, at the head of a government made up of Fine	Rainbow Coalition
	Gael, Labour and Democratic Left. By what two word term was this administration known?	
Q3	On the flip side, one of the low points of his career occurred earlier that decade when he took part in a much-derided	<u>Twink</u> / Adele <u>King</u>
	sketch during the 1991 Ard Fheis, with which Irish entertainer? This performer interrupted Bruton's leader's speech, while	
	dressed as a cleaning lady.	
Q4	After resigning from the Dáil in November 2004, Bruton assumed which diplomatic role, under the European Union? He	EU Ambassador to the US
	would serve in this position until October 2009.	

Islamic Sects

Q1	Which is the largest branch of Islam, followed by 85–90% of the world's Muslims? The differences between this group and Shia Muslims arose from a disagreement over the succession to the prophet Muhammad, favouring Abu Bakr and Ali, respectively.	<u>Sunni</u>
Q2	Even though they only make up 10% of the population, the followers of the Alawite sect hold significant power in Syria. This is because which family, who have ruled Syria since 1971, are followers of Alawism?	Al- <u>Assad</u>
Q3	Aga Khan IV is the spiritual leader and Imam of which segment of the Ismaili sect of Islam? There are about 15-20 million followers of this movement, spread over many countries.	<u>Nizari</u>
Q4	In 657, some supporters of Ali rebelled against his acceptance of arbitration talks to settle the conflict with his challenger, Mu'awiya, at the Battle of Siffin. What was the name of this sect, who asserted that "judgment belongs to God alone", which became their motto? A member of this sect assassinated Ali in 661.	<u>Kharijite</u>

The Deepest

Q1	The Challenger Deep is the deepest known point of the seabed of Earth, located in the western Pacific Ocean at the southern end of which trench?	<u>Mariana</u> Trench
Q2	With a maximum depth of 1,642 metres, which lake situated in southern Siberia is the world's deepest?	Lake <u>Baikal</u>
Q3	Situated 122 km north of Puerto Rico, and located in a trench named after that island, what is the name of the deepest point in the Atlantic Ocean? This location is named after the U.S. Navy Omaha class cruiser that discovered it in 1939.	<u>Milwaukee</u> Deep
Q4	At 2,223 metres deep, the Veryovkina Cave is the deepest-known cave on Earth. It is located in which partially-recognised breakaway state, the capital of which is Sukhumi?	<u>Abkhazia</u>

Robots In Disguise

Q1	Adventures in the <i>Transformers</i> universe follow two warring alien robot factions that can transform into other forms, such	Decepticon s
	as vehicles and animals. In these stories, the heroic Autobots take on which villainous grouping, featuring members	
	Megatron, Starscream and Steeljaw?	
Q2	The <i>Transformers</i> media franchise was launched in 1984, as a collaboration between two toy companies. Which American	<u>Hasbro</u>
	toy manufacturer collaborated with Japan's Takara toys?	
Q3	The Transformers live action film series, began in 2007 and has seen seven movies released to date. Which American	Michael <u>Bay</u>
	directed the first five of these, ending with Transformers: The Last Knight in 2017?	
Q4	Which British/Australian actor provided the voice for the role of Decepticon leader Megatron in the first three Michael Bay	Hugo Weaving
	Transformers films? This man has had prominent roles in several of the highest grossing film trilogies of the 21st century.	

The Irish RM

Q1	1980s hit TV series <i>The Irish RM</i> , based in early 20th century Ireland, starred which English actor in the title role of Major Sinclair Yeates? This actor also starred in <i>Rumpole of the Bailey</i> and <i>To the Manor Born</i> .	Peter <u>Bowles</u>
Q2	Major Yeates was often outfoxed by the machinations of his Anglo-Irish friend, Flurry Knox, played by which Irish actor? This man is known for his work in series such as <i>Strumpet City, Brookside</i> and (since 2005) <i>Fair City.</i>	Bryan <u>Murray</u>
Q3	What did the letters RM represent in the title of the show? In pre-independence Ireland, the holder of this office was appointed to sit among the justices of the peace at Petty Sessions in a given county.	Resident Magistrate
Q4	The Irish RM TV series was based on a trilogy of books released between 1899 and 1915 by which pair of Anglo-Irish writers, one of whom wrote under a pen name?	Somerville and Ross (Edith Somerville And Violet Florence Martin a.k.a. Martin Ross)

Namesake Currencies

Q1	Australia, Canada, Jamaica and New Zealand all use which name for their currency? Its symbol is the capital letter S with one or two vertical strokes through it.	<u>Dollar</u>
Q2	Algeria, Jordan, North Macedonia and Serbia all have currencies that share which name, the origin of which is a silver coin of ancient Rome?	<u>Dinar</u>
Q3	Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and Somalia all have currencies that share their name with which historic coin used in Ireland until 1971?	Shilling
Q4	The currencies of Sweden, Norway, Iceland and the Czech Republic all use a name that derives from a Latin word meaning what?	Crown (Corona) [The currencies are Krona, Krone, Króna, Koruna]