



# **IRISH QUIZ LEAGUE**

**SEASON 4 CUP: Quarter Finals**

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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)	What word precedes "mix" in the name of a snack food usually consisting of crunchy noodles, peanuts, lentils and chickpeas, flavoured with salt and spices? As its name suggests, it originated in India, where it is known as "chanachur".	<b><u>Bombay</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1)	The horse on the Ferrari logo is an example of what term from heraldry, originating from an Old French word meaning "rearing up", and referring to an animal standing upright on its back legs?	<b><u>Rampant</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2)	Santander is the capital and largest city of what Spanish autonomous community and province in the north of the country?	<b><u>Cantabria</u></b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2)	A line spoken by Geena Davis's character in the movie, " <i>Be afraid, be very afraid</i> " was the memorable tagline to what acclaimed 1986 sci-fi/horror movie?	The <b><u>Fly</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3)	Who captained Cork to their victory over Waterford in the 2023 All-Ireland Senior Camogie final? During the match, this forward scored three goals in 119 seconds, believed to be the fastest hat-trick ever scored in a senior final, for either gender.	Amy <b><u>O'Connor</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3)	Wordle is the most famous of the games hosted on the New York Times website & app, but it is not the only one: What daily game challenges you to "Group words that share a common thread" and is a suspiciously close copy of one particular round from a popular BBC TV quiz show?	<b><u>Connections</u></b> (similar to the Wall round from <i>Only Connect</i> )
<b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4)	" <i>End taxation without representation</i> " is a slogan used by campaigners for what American city and federal district to become the 51st US state?	<b><u>Washington D.C. / District of Columbia</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4)	Noted for their 1981 hits <i>Genius of Love</i> and <i>Wordy Rappinghood</i> , the band Tom Tom Club consisted of husband-and-wife Chris Frantz and Tina Weymouth and were a side project from what American new wave group, of which they were both members?	<b><u>Talking Heads</u></b>

## **Round 2 - Team**

Team **A** to pick a topic first

Team **B** to pick a topic second

## **Round 3 - Individual**

	<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
<b>Q1a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>1</b> )	Denpasar is the capital and largest city of what Asian island? The city and its surrounding metropolitan area contain over a third of the island's total population of 4.3 million.	<b><u>Bali</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>1</b> )	Founded in 2010, what Irish company bills itself as " <i>Ireland's leading comparison and switching website</i> ", allowing consumers to easily compare prices on energy, broadband, insurance and mortgage providers? Its name is an informal word that perhaps refers to the insanity of trying to compare prices any other way.	<b><u>Bonkers</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>2</b> )	Launched by the European Space Agency in 2023, what space telescope's mission is to better understand dark energy and dark matter? It is named after an ancient Greek mathematician.	<b><u>Euclid</u></b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>2</b> )	Born in Limerick in 1930, what Irish actor played Professor Dumbledore in the first two <i>Harry Potter</i> films, prior to his death in 2002?	Richard <b><u>Harris</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>3</b> )	The number 65 would be represented by what three letters in Roman numerals?	<b><u>LXV</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>3</b> )	What two words follow "My" in the name of an American emo band fronted by Gerard Way? They are arguably best known for their 2006 album <i>The Black Parade</i> .	<b><u>Chemical Romance</u></b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>4</b> )	What lake near Boyle, County Roscommon is known for its adjoining Forest Park, a major recreational resource and tourist attraction?	Lough <b><u>Key</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>4</b> )	The record for the world's most expensive comic book was broken in April of this year with a near-mint copy of <i>Action Comics</i> issue #1 selling for US\$6 million. This comic, dated July 1938, is notable for introducing the world to what iconic superhero?	<b><u>Superman</u></b>

#### **Round 4 - Team**

Team **B** to pick a topic first

Team **A** to pick a topic second

#### **Round 5 - Individual**

<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
<b>Q1a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>1</b> ) Due to be launched by the European Space Agency in 2026, what space telescope's mission will be to search for Earth-like exoplanets in our galaxy? It is named after an ancient Greek philosopher.	<b><u>Plato</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>1</b> ) What word precedes "mix" in the name of a snack usually consisting of raisins, nuts, seeds, dried fruit and sometimes chocolate? As its name suggests, it was developed as a food to be taken along on hikes since it is lightweight, nutritious and energy-dense.	<b><u>Trail</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>2</b> ) Their biggest hits being the 1983 songs <i>Miss the Girl</i> and <i>Right Now</i> , the band The Creatures consisted of a vocalist with the birth name Susan Ballion and a drummer born Peter Clarke, nicknamed "Budgie". This duo was a side project from what British alternative rock band, of which they were both members?	<b><u>Siouxsie ["soo-zee"] and the Banshees</u></b> (Susan Ballion is better known as Siouxsie Sioux)
<b>Q2b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>2</b> ) Born in the Dublin suburb of Cabra in 1940, what Anglo-Irish actor took over the role of Professor Dumbledore for the remaining six <i>Harry Potter</i> films? This actor passed away in September 2023 aged 82.	Michael <b><u>Gambon</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>3</b> ) Naha is the capital and largest city of what Asian island? The city contains over 50% of the island's total population of 1.4 million.	<b><u>Okinawa</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>3</b> ) Founded in 2007, what Irish insurance broker operates a popular comparison website that allows consumers to easily compare home and car insurance prices across multiple providers? Its name is an informal word for being calm, perhaps denoting the lack of stress someone would experience while using the website.	<b><u>Chill</u></b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>4</b> ) The dragon on the Welsh flag is an example of what term from heraldry, originating from an Old French word meaning "striding", and referring to an animal standing with one leg raised but the other three on the ground?	<b><u>Passant</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>4</b> ) The second-most expensive comic book ever sold at auction was a copy of <i>Amazing Fantasy</i> issue #15, sold for US\$3.6 million in 2021. This Marvel comic from August 1962 was the debut of what iconic superhero?	<b><u>Spider-Man</u></b>

### **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>B</b> Person <b>1</b> )	What two words follow "My" in the name of an Irish alternative band fronted by Kevin Shields? They are arguably best known for their 1991 album <i>Loveless</i> .	<b><u>Bloody Valentine</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>1</b> )	The tagline of what daily New York Times game is " <i>How many words can you make with 7 letters</i> "? The 7 letters are displayed in a hexagonal grid, appropriate to this game's insectoid name.	<b><u>Spelling Bee</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>2</b> )	Who captained Dublin to their victory over Kerry in the 2023 All-Ireland Senior Ladies' Football final? It was the fifth senior All-Ireland medal for this forward, who previously had been named Player of the Match in the 2018 final when she scored 2 goals in Dublin's victory over Cork.	Carla <b><u>Rowe</u></b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>2</b> )	What lake near the border village of Pettigo, County Donegal is known for St. Patrick's Purgatory, an ancient Christian pilgrimage site located on Station Island in the middle of the lake? Pilgrims traditionally undertake a 3-day fast and a 24-hour vigil during their stay.	Lough <b><u>Derg</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>3</b> )	Pamplona is the capital and largest city of what Spanish autonomous community and province in the north of the country?	<b><u>Navarre</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>3</b> )	The number 601 would be represented by what three letters in Roman numerals?	<b><u>DCI</u></b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>4</b> )	In December 2022, a bill passed the US House of Representatives allowing what US territory to hold a binding referendum on US statehood? Although that bill never made it to a Senate vote, efforts are still continuing for this Caribbean island to become the 51st US state.	<b><u>Puerto Rico</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>4</b> )	Although not spoken by John Hurt or any of the other actors in the film, " <i>In space, no one can hear you scream</i> " was the memorable tagline to what acclaimed 1979 sci-fi/horror movie?	<b><u>Alien</u></b>

### **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)	According to Box Office Mojo, the highest-grossing 2024 film worldwide is currently what sci-fi sequel, released in Ireland in March? Your answer needs to include a number.	<b><u>Dune</u>: Part 2</b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1)	Following the high-profile departure of Doireann Garrihy ["deer-un garra-hee"] from RTÉ 2fm's Breakfast show, who recently replaced her? This broadcaster had previously worked with co-presenter Carl Mullen on 2fm's Weekend Breakfast show. You may simply answer with her first name.	<b><u>Aifric</u></b> ["aff-rick"] <b><u>O'Connell</u></b> (accept first or last name)
<b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2)	Named after the American statistician who founded it in 1935, what multinational analytics company based in Washington, D.C. is particularly known for its public opinion polls - to the extent that the company's name is often used as an adjective to describe such polls?	<b><u>Gallup</u></b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2)	The painting of the Mona Lisa, Ferdinand Magellan's circumnavigation of the world and the reign of King Henry VIII all took place during what century?	<b><u>16th</u> / <u>1500s</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3)	Recently replacing The 2 Johnnies on RTÉ 2fm's Drivetime show are Lottie Ryan and what male presenter? This actor and occasional 2fm broadcaster previously appeared on TV in <i>Doctors</i> and <i>Benidorm</i> , and on-stage in the West End runs of <i>Grease</i> and <i>The Book of Mormon</i> . You may answer with simply his first name.	David <b><u>O'Reilly</u></b> (accept first or last name)
<b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3)	According to Box Office Mojo, the second-highest-grossing 2024 film worldwide is currently The New Empire, released in Ireland in March and a sequel to a 2021 film featuring which two iconic movie monsters? (need both)	<b><u>Godzilla</u> / King <u>Kong</u></b> (need both)
<b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4)	The US Declaration of Independence, the voyages of Captain Cook and the French Revolution all took place during which century?	<b><u>18th</u> / <u>1700s</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4)	Named after the American analyst who founded it in 1923, what global marketing research firm based in New York is particularly known for compiling TV viewing figures - to the extent that the company's name is often used as an adjective to describe TV ratings?	<b><u>Nielsen</u></b> Corporation (formerly <b><u>AC Nielsen</u></b> )

**Nearest-the-pin**

(only use if drawn after round 9)

Completed in 1971 as part of the now-decommissioned Poolbeg power station, the Poolbeg Stacks are one of Dublin's most familiar landmarks, with the twin red-and-white striped chimneys visible from many parts of the city. Among the tallest structures anywhere in Ireland, how high in metres is the taller of the two chimneys, rounded to the nearest metre?

**208** metres

**END OF QUIZ****Spare questions**

(only use if necessary)

**Question****Answer**

Initially subject to some controversy over anti-social behaviour on both sides, the recently-installed "portal" on Dublin's North Earl Street lets Dubliners see what is happening in what American city?

**New York**

In cricket, how many runs are scored if the ball touches the ground before it goes over the boundary?

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In what 2006 movie does Amanda Bynes disguise herself as a boy to play on the school soccer team?

**She's the Man**

The highest sea cliffs in Ireland (and third-highest in Europe) are not Slieve League in Donegal as you might assume, but are located at the foot of what 688-metre high mountain in Achill, County Mayo?

**Croaghau / Cruachán**

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## TEAM QUESTIONS

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### Long-Running Sitcoms

<b>Q1</b> What long-running British sci-fi sitcom is set 3 million years in the future aboard the mining ship that gives the series its title? Although it debuted in 1988, multiple hiatuses and a slow pace of production have seen only 12 series produced to date.	<u>Red Dwarf</u>
<b>Q2</b> Currently on its 16th season, the record for longest-running live-action American sitcom is held by what show, starring Charlie Day and Rob McElhenney among others? The series follows a group of narcissistic and sociopathic friends who run an Irish pub in the titular city.	It's <u>Always Sunny in Philadelphia</u>
<b>Q3</b> The 1995 TV movie <i>Two Ceasefires and a Wedding</i> spawned what long-running BBC Northern Ireland sitcom, which depicts the culture clash between two families related by marriage, one Republican and one Loyalist? The most recent 16th series aired in December 2023.	<u>Give My Head Peace</u>
<b>Q4</b> With 295 episodes across 37 years, the world record for longest-running sitcom is currently held by the BBC's <i>Last of the Summer Wine</i> , which was created and entirely written by what prolific English comedy writer (born 1930)? He also created and solely wrote the classic sitcoms <i>Keeping Up Appearances</i> and <i>Open All Hours</i> .	Roy <u>Clarke</u>

### Secret Recipes

<b>Q1</b> The "Original Recipe" of what fast food chain famously contains "11 herbs and spices", a recipe concocted by the chain's iconic founder and kept a company secret ever since?	<u>KFC / Kentucky Fried Chicken</u>
<b>Q2</b> What green or yellow coloured French liqueur is named after the monastery near Grenoble where it has been produced since the 18th century? It is flavoured with 130 herbs, plants and flowers, in a closely-guarded secret recipe currently known only to two of the monks involved in its production.	<u>Chartreuse</u>
<b>Q3</b> Another herbal liqueur with a closely-guarded recipe known only to two people is Becherovka, which has been produced since 1805 in the city of Karlovy Vary (formerly known as Karlsbad), in what EU country?	<u>Czech Republic / Czechia</u>
<b>Q4</b> Perhaps the most famous secret recipe in the world is that of what Coca-Cola flavouring? The recipe for this flavouring syrup is kept in a bank vault in the company's HQ in Atlanta and is supposedly known to only a handful of employees. The essential part of this answer is a number followed by a letter.	Merchandise <u>7X</u>



## ZZ

**All the answers contain two consecutive letter Zs somewhere within.**

<b>Q1</b> Daisy, Bo and Luke were three members of the titular family in what 80s TV show? In recent years, the series has been mildly controversial in the US due to the Confederate flag featuring prominently on the family's car, the General Lee.	The <u>Dukes of Hazzard</u>
<b>Q2</b> English musician Roy Wood founded what glam rock band in 1972 after he quit ELO? Although only in existence for 3 years, this band scored hits such as <i>See My Baby Jive</i> and the seasonal classic <i>I Wish It Could Be Christmas Everyday</i> .	<u>Wizzard</u>
<b>Q3</b> L'Aquila [ <i>"lak-will-a"</i> ] is the capital of what region of Italy, located on the country's Adriatic coast? National parks and nature reserves comprise almost half of this region, leading it to be dubbed "the greenest region in Europe".	<u>Abruzzo</u> / <u>Abruzzi</u>
<b>Q4</b> Also known as a cantor, what name is given in Judaism to someone who sings and leads congregants in prayer in Jewish religious services?	<u>Hazzan</u> / <u>Chazzan</u>

## National Anthems

<b>Q1</b> Kimigayo, usually translated as "His Imperial Majesty's Reign" is the national anthem of what Asian country?	<u>Japan</u>
<b>Q2</b> What are the opening words of the Italian national anthem? This phrase also titles the right-wing political party currently led by Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni. You may answer in Italian or English.	<u>Fratelli d'Italia</u> / <u>Brothers of Italy</u>
<b>Q3</b> Written by Enoch Sontonga in 1897, the hymn <i>Nkosi Sikelel' iAfrika</i> (meaning "God Bless Africa") forms the basis for no less than 3 present-day African national anthems. Name <b>any</b> of these three countries?	<u>Zambia</u> / <u>Tanzania</u> / <u>South Africa</u> (accept <b>any</b> )
<b>Q4</b> The Irish national anthem <i>Amhrán na bhFiann</i> [ <i>"ow-rawn na veen"</i> ] (or <i>The Soldier's Song</i> ) is most commonly said to have been written by Peadar Kearney [ <i>"padder karney"</i> ], who did indeed write the original English lyrics and co-wrote the music with Patrick Heeney. However the more-commonly performed Irish-language lyrics were written later by what civil servant and writer? (1886-1943)	Liam <u>Ó Rinn</u> (accept William <u>Ring</u> )

### Correct Pronunciation Not Required

*These four answers are all hard to spell and to say - so be lenient on pronunciation!*

<b>Q1</b> What Burmese politician received the 1991 Nobel Peace Prize, but in recent years has been highly controversial due to her inaction regarding the Myanmar military's persecution and genocide of the country's Rohingya Muslim minority?	Aung San <b>Suu Kyi</b> ["aung san soo chi"]
<b>Q2</b> Roughly translating as "make haste to the spoils", what 18-character name from the book of Isaiah is usually cited as the longest word in the Bible? It is also the first name of an actor who won Oscars for the movies <i>Moonlight</i> and <i>Green Book</i> - you may answer with the shortened 10-character version of this first name, which is how he is normally credited on-screen.	<b>Mahershalalhashbaz / Mahershala</b> ["ma-her-shalla"] (the actor being Mahershala Ali - birth name Mahershalalhashbaz Gilmore)
<b>Q3</b> <i>Adjustment Day</i> (2018) and <i>Choke</i> (2001) are two of the 19 novels by what American author, still best known for his debut novel <i>Fight Club</i> , published in 1996 and adapted into the film of the same name?	Chuck <b>Palahniuk</b> ["paula-nick"]
<b>Q4</b> At Tokyo 2020, Australian swimmer Emma McKeon won seven medals, tying the all-time record for most medals won by a female competitor at a single Olympics - a record set by what Soviet gymnast at the 1952 Games in Helsinki?	Maria <b>Gorokhovskaya</b> ["goro-kov-sky-ah"]

### They Don't Just Act

*Four questions on actors who occasionally sing.*

<b>Q1</b> Appropriately, since he won an Oscar for portraying soul legend Ray Charles, what actor has also found success as a singer, including the platinum-selling 2005 album <i>Unpredictable</i> ? In that same year he had his biggest hit, as the featured vocalist on <i>Gold Digger</i> by Kanye West.	Jamie <b>Foxx</b> (born Eric <b>Bishop</b> )
<b>Q2</b> Oscar winner Kate Winslet has only made one foray into the singles charts, but to great success, with what song? Taken from the soundtrack to the 2001 animated film <i>Christmas Carol: The Movie</i> , this song reached the Christmas Number 1 spot in the Irish charts that year.	<b>What If</b>
<b>Q3</b> Founded in 2007 and releasing 5 albums to date, the American country rock band Modern West is fronted by what American actor? While not yet the recipient of an acting Oscar, this man's 1990 directorial debut netted him the Academy Award for Best Director.	Kevin <b>Costner</b> (won for <i>Dances With Wolves</i> )
<b>Q4</b> In between his acting career and his much-publicised legal woes, Johnny Depp finds time to be a member of what rock supergroup alongside Alice Cooper and Aerosmith's Joe Perry? Named after a celebrity drinking club founded by Cooper in the 1970s, this band has released three albums since 2015.	<b>Hollywood Vampires</b>

## Green Glory in Rome

**4 questions relating to the recent European Athletics Championships in Rome, where Ireland had its biggest-ever medals haul of 2 golds and 2 silvers.**

<b>Q1</b> Prior to this year, Ireland had only ever managed 3 European athletics golds, all thanks to what middle-distance legend, who won the 3,000 metres in 1994 and both the 5,000 and 10,000 metres in 1998?	Sonia <u>O'Sullivan</u>
<b>Q2</b> Ireland's star of the show in Rome was undoubtedly Rhasidat Adeleke [" <i>rashee-dah adda-lecky</i> "] who was part of the gold-winning mixed relay team and the silver-winning women's relay team - as well as netting a silver herself at what race distance?	<u>400</u> metres
<b>Q3</b> Ireland's other gold medallist in Rome was what athlete from County Down, who was victorious in the women's 1500 metres?	Ciara <u>Mageean</u>
<b>Q4</b> The triumphant Irish 4x400 metres mixed relay team consisted of Rhasidat Adeleke, Sharlene Mawdsley, Thomas Barr and what other male athlete? This 26-year-old sprinter from Sligo is a 5-time Irish champion in the men's 400 metres.	Christopher <u>O'Donnell</u>

## Irish Public Art Stamps

**An Post recently unveiled a series of 4 postage stamps highlighting notable public artworks around Ireland. Here are four questions on the artworks featured.**

<b>Q1</b> A familiar landmark for drivers on the M7 motorway between Dublin and the south of Ireland, near what largest town in County Kildare would you see a 9 metre high black sphere covered in road markings? This artwork is officially called <i>Perpetual Motion</i> , though it is colloquially referred to as this town's "Ball".	<u>Naas</u> [" <i>nase</i> "]
<b>Q2</b> Installed in 2006 and consisting of 104 timber poles arranged in a circular shape 12 metres high, <i>Polestar</i> has become one of the most recognisable landmarks of what large Ulster town, located on the River Swilly?	<u>Letterkenny</u>
<b>Q3</b> Eileen Mac Donagh's sculpture in which south Dublin suburb is another of the public artworks featured in the recent postage stamp series? Located in this suburb's Library Square, it consists of four ten-foot high metal columns that meet near the top to form an X shape.	<u>Tallaght</u> [" <i>talla</i> "] - the sculpture is simply called <i>Tallaght X</i>
<b>Q4</b> Hand-carved from a 25-ton block of limestone, Michael Quane's 1995 sculpture <i>Riders and Horses</i> depicts two human figures circling each other on horseback. It is currently situated on a roundabout on what national road, which connects Cork to Mallow?	<u>N20</u> (accept <u>M20</u> )