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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 singer-songwriter, born in Dublin in 1991, has won Irish Song of the Year at the Choice Media Awards on two occasions, in 2013 and 2016? Curiously neither of these awards were for his top-performing song on Spotify, 2018's <i>Always</i> .	Gavin James (born Gavin Wigglesworth)
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	Which 1959 French coming-of-age drama film, the directorial debut of François Truffaut, is regarded as one of the defining films of the French New Wave movement? The film is about Antoine Doinel, a misunderstood adolescent in Paris who struggles with his parents and teachers due to his rebellious behaviour.	The 400 Blows / Les Quatre Cents Coups
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	Which British rock band, most successful between their founding in 1994 and initial breakup in 2001, are fronted by lead singer Deborah Dyer, who performs mononymously under the stage name Skin?	Skunk Anansie
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	Which football club based in Bergamo, Italy, defeated German side Bayer Leverkusen 3-0 to win the 2024 UEFA Europa League final in Dublin?	Atalanta
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	Which breed of dog, known as the "Russian wolfhound" until 1936, originated in the sixteenth century by crossing European sighthounds with thick-coated Russian breeds? Its modern name is the masculine singular form of an archaic Russian adjective that means "fast".	Borzoï
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	What is the electric charge that accumulates in certain solid materials, such as crystals and certain ceramics, in response to applied mechanical stress? French physicists Jacques and Pierre Curie discovered this charge in 1880.	Piezoelectricity
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	Also known as a "floating bridge", which type of bridge uses floats or shallow-draft boats to support a continuous deck for pedestrian and vehicle travel? Most bridges of this type are only intended for temporary use during wartime or civil emergencies.	Pontoon
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	Which Italian former Grand Prix motorcycle racer holds the record for the most world titles in the 500cc/MotoGP championship? This rider won the title 8 times between 1966 and 1975.	Giacomo Agostini

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)	What is the name of the parent company of several Irish radio stations including Today FM, Newstalk and iRadio? Previously the group was called Communicorp before being bought out by this company in 2021.	<u>Bauer</u> Media
Q1b (Team A Person 1)	Following a general election on June 2nd, which politician and academic is currently the president-elect of Mexico, the first woman to be elected to the position? She will succeed the incumbent Andrés Manuel López Obrador on October 1st this year.	Claudia <u>Sheinbaum</u>
Q2a (Team B Person 2)	How many dice are used by the players in a game of Yahtzee? First marketed under that name in 1956, Yahtzee is a development of earlier dice games such as Poker Dice.	<u>Five</u>
Q2b (Team A Person 2)	In 2002, Scott Seamans, Lyndon Hanson and George Boedecker founded which company to produce and distribute an eponymous brand of lightweight foam footwear? To date, the company has sold over 700 million pairs of these shoes.	<u>Crocs</u>
Q3a (Team B Person 3)	Which politician served as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom from 2010 to 2016? After resigning in the wake of the Brexit referendum, in 2023 he became the first former prime minister to be appointed to a ministerial post since Alec Douglas-Home in 1970.	David <u>Cameron</u>
Q3b (Team A Person 3)	In Japanese cuisine, <i>gomashio</i> is a dry condiment, made from salt and a toasted form of which other ingredient? This is commonly used as a topping for <i>sekihan</i> (red bean rice) or <i>onigiri</i> (rice balls).	<u>Sesame</u> seeds
Q4a (Team B Person 4)	What word is used to describe grasses or other herbaceous plants that have been cut and dried to be stored for use as animal fodder? The harvesting of this product is a multistage process involving cutting, drying, gathering, processing and storing.	<u>Hay</u>
Q4b (Team A Person 4)	The Burj Khalifa, the world's tallest structure since 2009 with a total height of 829 m (2,722 ft) is located in which Middle Eastern city?	<u>Dubai</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)	In the classic strategy board game Ludo, how many playing pieces or tokens does each player start the game with?	<u>Four</u>
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	Since the release of his debut single <i>This Old Dark Machine</i> in 2013, which Irish singer-songwriter has released six albums, including Irish chart-topper <i>We Move</i> (2016)? Oddly though, this artist's top two most-played songs on Spotify are both covers, <i>Wicked Game</i> and <i>Higher Love</i> .	James Vincent <u>McMorrow</u>
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	Which Spanish Grand Prix motorcycle racer is third on the all-time list of 500cc/MotoGP world championships? This man is also the current competitor with the most number of titles, after winning six times between 2013 and 2019.	Marc <u>Márquez</u>
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	Internally the Crocs company refers to its famous product by the name of which other type of shoe? Even though Crocs obviously do not contain any wood, they were modelled on this shoe and the ease with which it can be put on and taken off.	<u>Clogs</u>
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	What is the name of the parent company of several Irish publications including the <i>Irish Daily Mirror</i> , <i>Irish Daily Star</i> , <i>RSVP</i> magazine and <i>Cork Beo</i> ? Between 1999 and 2018 this company was known as Trinity Mirror before rebranding to its current name.	<u>Reach</u> Plc
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	Who was president of Mexico before Andrés Manuel López Obrador? This man, who held the office from 2012 to 2018, had a controversial term which featured the Iguala mass kidnapping, the escape of drug lord Joaquín "El Chapo" Guzmán and a perceived weakness in dealing with US President Donald Trump.	Enrique <u>Peña Nieto</u> (accept either surname)
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	Which 1973 romantic comedy-drama film, co-written and directed by François Truffaut, won the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film in 1974? It chronicles the troubled production of a French melodrama, and the various personal and professional challenges of the cast and crew.	<u>Day For Night</u> / <u>La Nuit Américaine</u>
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	The Clock Royal Tower, the world's fourth-tallest building with a height of 601 metres (1,972 feet), is located in which Middle Eastern city? This building features a five-star hotel and is topped with four clock faces, each 43 metres in diameter, making them the largest clock faces in the world.	<u>Mecca</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)	In Japanese cuisine, <i>furikake</i> is a dry condiment sprinkled on top of cooked rice, vegetables and other dishes. It typically consists of a mixture of sesame seeds, chopped seaweed, sugar, salt and a dried form of which other ingredient?	<u>Fish</u>
Q1b (Team A Person 1)	What is the phenomenon in which light is generated when a material is mechanically pulled apart, ripped, scratched, crushed or rubbed? The first recorded observation is attributed to Francis Bacon in 1620 when he noted that sugar " <i>if it be hard, will sparkle when broken or scraped in the dark</i> ".	<u>Triboluminescence</u>
Q2a (Team B Person 2)	What word is used to describe a crossbred dog resulting from mating a greyhound or other sighthound with a dog of another type such as a herding dog or a terrier? These were traditionally bred in Ireland and Britain to assist poachers in hunting rabbits and hares.	<u>Lurcher</u>
Q2b (Team A Person 2)	What word is used to describe fodder made from green foliage crops, such as grasses, that have been preserved by fermentation to the point of souring? It is fed to cattle, sheep and other ruminants.	<u>Silage</u>
Q3a (Team B Person 3)	Which British electronic band, most successful between their founding in 1995 and initial breakup in 2003, are fronted by lead singer Shirley Edwards, who performs under the stage name Skye Edwards?	<u>Morcheeba</u>
Q3b (Team A Person 3)	Previously the Home Secretary from 2010 to 2016, which politician served as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom from 2016 to 2019? This leader's premiership was dominated by the issue of Brexit.	Theresa <u>May</u>
Q4a (Team B Person 4)	Which type of bridge comprises a load-bearing structure of connected elements such as beams, connected by nodes to form triangular units? This bridge shares its name with these triangular units which create the bridge's rigid structure.	<u>Truss</u>
Q4b (Team A Person 4)	Which football club based in Piraeus, Greece, won the 2024 UEFA Europa Conference League final in nearby Athens, by defeating Italian side Fiorentina 1-0?	<u>Olympiakos</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)	The battle of Kham Duc, the battle of Bong Son and the battle of Hamburger Hill were all part of which 20th century conflict?	<u>Vietnam</u> war
Q1b (Team B Person 1)	Which Scottish politician has served as First Minister of Scotland and Leader of the Scottish National Party (SNP) since May 2024? He previously served as the leader of the SNP from 2000 to 2004.	John <u>Swinney</u>
Q2a (Team A Person 2)	Which British sporting goods manufacturer is mostly known for its rugby union balls, and has been official supplier for every World Cup since 1995? This company was in fact founded in the town of Rugby in 1823.	<u>Gilbert</u>
Q2b (Team B Person 2)	Which Irish nationwide youth organisation (aimed at teenagers) was originally Macra na Tuaithe, the youth branch of farming organisation Macra na Feirme? In 1981, the organisation changed to its current name, derived from an Irish language term meaning "development of youth".	<u>Foróige</u> (from "Forbairt na hÓige")
Q3a (Team A Person 3)	Which Scottish politician served as First Minister of Scotland and Leader of the Labour Party in Scotland from 2001 to 2007? As of 2024, he is the most recent Labour politician to have held the office of First Minister.	Jack <u>McConnell</u>
Q3b (Team B Person 3)	The battle of Osan, the battle of Pakchon and the battle of Heartbreak Ridge were all part of which 20th century conflict?	<u>Korean</u> war
Q4a (Team A Person 4)	Which Irish national youth organisation (with members aged 15-18) was founded in Kilkenny in 1978, with the aim of enabling its members to organise and enjoy positive alternatives to alcohol and drug-centred activities? One of its three founders was Kilkenny hurling legend Eddie Keher.	<u>No Name</u> Club
Q4b (Team B Person 4)	Both the Australian National Rugby League and the Super League use balls made by which Australian manufacturer? This name has become so synonymous with rugby league in Australia that it is often used as a noun to describe the ball itself.	<u>Steeden</u>

Nearest-the-pin

(only use if drawn after round 9)

What is the total number of council seats that were up for grabs in Ireland's 2024 Local Elections?

949

END OF QUIZ

Spare questions
(only use if necessary)

Question	Answer
In the 2024 South African general election, which party won the most seats but lost its majority for the first time since the end of apartheid?	<u>African National Congress / ANC</u>
When ordered by capacity, four of the top five largest GAA stadiums in Ireland are located in which province?	<u>Munster</u> (Thurles, Cork, Limerick, Killarney)
<i>Bacchus and Ariadne</i> , <i>The Death of Actaeon</i> and <i>Pope Paul III and His Grandsons</i> , are all works by which Italian painter (1488-1576)?	<u>Titian</u> / Tiziano <u>Vecelli</u>
Which professional e-sports organisation was founded in September 2009 by Andy Dinh? This team has won seven of the total sixteen splits of North America's League of Legends Championship Series (LCS).	<u>TSM</u> (formerly known as Team SoloMid)

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TEAM QUESTIONS

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Brendan Shine

Q1 During a career that has lasted over 60 years, and seen him score five No. 1 singles on the Irish charts, Athlone singer Brendan Shine is almost always seen on stage playing which musical instrument?	Button <u>accordion</u>
Q2 Probably Brendan Shine's most enduring hit is a song which topped the Irish charts for four weeks in 1979. In the song, the object of the singer's affections keeps asking him if he wants what to be "washed down"?	<u>Old Lobby</u>
Q3 Which No. 10 hit of 1980 features Shine telling us the tale of Dan, who could be "your man"? This song shares its title with a film starring Leonardo DiCaprio.	<u>Catch Me If You Can</u>
Q4 Brendan Shine's final single release, 2012's <i>Where Did You Meet Her?</i> , refers in its chorus to which famous dancehall in the Cricklewood area of London? This venue, which operated from 1952 to 2008, was known as an oasis of Irishness in an often hostile city.	The <u>Galtymore</u>

Yeats' Places

Q1 WB Yeats begins his poem <i>In Memory of Eva Gore-Booth and Con Markievicz</i> with the line " <i>The light of evening, Lissadell</i> ". In which Irish county can one find Lissadell House, the home of the Gore-Booth family in Yeats' youth?	<u>Sligo</u>
Q2 Coole Park, home of Augusta Gregory and title location for <i>The Wild Swans at Coole</i> , is located in which Irish county? It is now managed by the Irish National Parks & Wildlife Service.	<u>Galway</u>
Q3 Possibly the most famous of all places mentioned in the works of Yeats is the title location of his poem <i>The Lake Isle of Innisfree</i> . In which County Sligo lake is this island located?	Lough <u>Gill</u>
Q4 What building in south Galway did Yeats purchase circa 1916 and use for the following 12 years as a summer home? A plaque on this Anglo-Norman building states the poet " <i>Restored this tower for my wife George / And may these characters remain / When all is ruin once again.</i> "	<u>Thoor Ballylee</u>

Road Tunnels

Q1 Completed in 1999, the tunnel under the river Lee in Cork city that connects the M8 motorway to the N40 Southern Ring Road is named after which former Irish leader?	Jack <u>Lynch</u>
Q2 On the morning of 24 March 1999, 39 people died when a Belgian transport truck carrying flour and margarine, caught fire while travelling through the 11 km long tunnel under which European mountain?	<u>Mont Blanc</u> / <u>Monte Bianco</u>
Q3 Between 2000 and 2023, the world's longest road tunnel was the Lærdal Tunnel. This 24.5 km long road tunnel connects the municipalities of Lærdal and Aurland, in which European country?	<u>Norway</u>
Q4 In 2023, Lærdal was succeeded as the world's longest road tunnel by WestConnex. This 33 km long motorway tunnel connects the suburbs of Homebush and Kingsgrove in which major world city?	<u>Sydney</u>

Japanese Titles

Q1 What was the name of the hereditary military nobility and officer caste of medieval and early-modern Japan, from the late 12th century until their abolition in the late 1870s during the Meiji era?	<u>Samurai</u>
Q2 Originally meaning "Commander-in-Chief of the Expeditionary Force Against the Barbarians", what was the title of the military rulers of Japan during most of the period spanning from 1185 to 1868? Nominally appointed by the Emperor, these men were usually the de facto rulers of the country during this period.	<u>Shogun</u>
Q3 What name was used to describe the powerful Japanese feudal lords who, from the 10th century to the early Meiji period, ruled most of the country from their vast hereditary land holdings? They were subordinate to the shogun and nominally to the emperor.	<u>Daimyō</u>
Q4 What name was given to the hereditary peerage of the Empire of Japan, which existed between 1869 and 1947? It was formed by merging the feudal lords (daimyō) and court nobles (kuge) into one system modelled after the British peerage.	<u>Kazoku</u>

EU OCTs

Q1 There are 13 overseas countries and territories (OCT) of the European Union. Which is the largest of these by area? This is also the only OCT that is linked to the EU through the Kingdom of Denmark.	<u>Greenland</u>
Q2 The largest EU OCT in terms of population is an overseas collectivity of France, and its sole overseas country. With 278,000 inhabitants, what is the name of this country - which includes island groups such as the Society Islands and Marquesas Islands?	French <u>Polynesia</u>
Q3 Which EU OCT is a self-governing territorial overseas collectivity of France in the northwestern Atlantic Ocean, located near the Canadian province of Newfoundland and Labrador? These islands are in the Gulf of St. Lawrence near the entrance of Fortune Bay.	<u>St. Pierre & Miquelon</u> (both needed)
Q4 The Bottom (formerly Botte) is the capital and largest town of which island, an EU OCT and the smallest special municipality of the Netherlands? This island lies in the northern Leeward Islands portion of the West Indies, southeast of the Virgin Islands.	<u>Saba</u>

Men of The Hunger Games

Q1 Which veteran actor, born in Canada in 1935, portrayed President Coriolanus Snow in <i>The Hunger Games</i> franchise? At the start of his career, this actor was known for appearing in war movies such as <i>The Dirty Dozen</i> , <i>MASH</i> and <i>Kelly's Heroes</i> .	Donald <u>Sutherland</u>
Q2 Which actor played the role of Plutarch Heavensbee, the new Head Gamemaker following the death of Seneca Crane at the end of the first <i>Hunger Games</i> film? This actor died between the filming and release of <i>Mockingjay: Part 1</i> .	Philip Seymour <u>Hoffman</u>
Q3 Which actor plays Casca Highbottom, the dean of the Academy and intellectual author of the Hunger Games, in prequel film <i>The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes</i> ? This actor portrayed Tyrion Lannister on the HBO television series <i>Game of Thrones</i> .	Peter <u>Dinklage</u>
Q4 Which English actor (born 1995) portrayed the young version of Coriolanus Snow in <i>The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes</i> ? This actor is currently playing the lead role in the MGM+ TV series <i>Billy the Kid</i> .	Tom <u>Blyth</u>

Female Leaders

Q1 From 2017 to 2023, Jacinda Ardern served as the 40th Prime Minister of which country? In 1893, it had been the first nation in the world in which all women had the right to vote in parliamentary elections.	<u>New Zealand</u>
Q2 In 2006, Ellen Johnson Sirleaf became the first elected female head of state in Africa when she became the President of which country in the west of the continent?	<u>Liberia</u>
Q3 Following her husband's death in office in 1974, who became the first woman to serve as president of a country? This lady was the 46th President of Argentina until 1976 when the military took over the government, following a coup. A <u>two word</u> answer is required.	<u>Isabel Perón</u> (need both names)
Q4 Which Sri Lankan politician was the world's first female prime minister when she was elected leader of the Dominion of Ceylon in 1960? She chaired the Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP) from 1960 to 1994 and served three terms as prime minister in total.	Sirimavo <u>Bandaranaike</u>

Envious Songs

Q1 Which song was written and originally recorded by John Lennon on his second studio album <i>Imagine</i> (1971)? A cover of this song by Roxy Music hit No. 3 in the Irish charts in 1981, while topping the UK charts at the same time.	<u>Jealous Guy</u>
Q2 Which 1980 song by Northern Irish punk rock band The Undertones outlines the singer's envy of an annoying relative who, among other things, likes University Challenge? This is one of only two songs by the band to reach the Top 10 of the Irish charts.	<u>My Perfect Cousin</u>
Q3 Which song, written by Ray Davies for the 1967 album <i>Something Else</i> by the Kinks, outlines the singer's jealousy of the head boy at his school, and his perfect life? A cover by The Jam was released as a single in 1978 and, while it didn't chart in Ireland, it did reach No. 25 in the UK.	<u>David Watts</u>
Q4 Released in 1998, what is the title of the biggest hit in the careers of Italian dance group The Tamperer? The name of this Irish No. 1 hit about jealousy is related to the song sample used and has nothing to do with the song's famous (and baffling) chorus line "What's she gonna look like with a chimney on her?"	<u>Feel It</u> (from <i>Can You Feel It</i> by The Jacksons)