



Irish Quiz Organisation

Irish Open Quiz 2024 – Part 2 (Sciences, Entertainment, Lifestyle, Culture)

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Rules:

- **Please do not turn your paper over until instructed.**
- The overall quiz consists of eight written rounds, each of 30 questions, for a total of 240 questions.
- The quiz is split into two halves, four rounds per half and with **60 minutes** allowed per half.
- **All eight rounds** count towards a player's overall score.
- Where asked for a person's name, a **surname by itself** will suffice, unless specifically asked for given names. Remember that a correct surname with an incorrect given name is a wrong answer!
- This is **not** a spelling contest, so be reasonably lenient on spelling when marking other people's answers.

Part 1 topics:

- *Media: Film, Language, Literature, Comic strips, Comic books, Graphic novels*
- *World: Cities, Human Geography, Physical Geography, Inventions, Space, Technology, Transport*
- *Sport & Games: Sports, Hobbies & Pastimes, Board games, Video games, Records & achievements*
- *History: Civilisations, Current Affairs, Exploration, Famous People, Ancient History, Modern*

Part 2 topics:

- **Sciences:** Exact sciences (Chemistry, Physics etc.), Fauna, Flora, Social sciences
- **Entertainment:** Ballet, Classical music, Film Music, Jazz & World Music, Opera, Pop music, Radio, Television, Theatre
- **Lifestyle:** Costume, Design, Fashion, Food & Drink, Handicrafts, Health & Fitness, Human Body, New Age beliefs, Products & Brands, Tourism
- **Culture:** Architecture, Fine art, Museums, Mythology, Philosophy, Religion, World cultures

Player name: _____ Marker name: _____

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Sciences

Q1. He taught himself to play Mozart's violin sonatas aged 13. While still married to his first wife, he had an affair with his cousin, whom he later married. He was offered the presidency of Israel but turned it down. These are three notable non-scientific facts about what notable scientist?	
Q2. Noted for their exceptionally long upper canine teeth, the extinct genus <i>Smilodon</i> consisted of three species of prehistoric mammals colloquially known by what name? Your answer should include the name of a modern-day animal, though this is actually a misnomer since <i>Smilodon</i> is not closely related to that animal.	
Q3. In the psychoanalytic theory of Sigmund Freud, the three elements which comprise the human psyche are the super-ego, the ego and what third element, consisting of the mind's uncoordinated instinctual desires?	
Q4. Parotitis, or swelling of the salivary glands, is a characteristic symptom of what viral disease, most commonly infecting children? A widespread vaccine programme starting in the 1970s saw this disease nearly eliminated in many countries, however declining vaccination rates in the 21st century have led to periodic outbreaks in China, the US and the UK among others.	
Q5. Its radius roughly 700 times that of the Sun, what red supergiant is the second-brightest star in Orion (after Rigel) and is usually the tenth-brightest star in the night sky? Its unusual name derives from a mistranslation of the Arabic for "hand of Orion" and has nothing to do with insects, liquids or Tim Burton movies.	
Q6. Please identify this penguin species, one of the most numerous in the Antarctic? Its most common name in English derives from the narrow band of black feathers on the lower half of its head.	
Q7. Including the infraspinatus muscle and the teres minor muscle among others, the "rotator cuff" is a collective term for the group of muscles and tendons that surround and stabilise what joint(s) in the human body?	
Q8. A line from <i>Finnegans Wake</i> by James Joyce was the origin of the name of what type of elementary subatomic particle? The name was chosen by Murray Gell-Mann, who (along with George Zweig) was one of the two physicists who independently theorised these particles' existence in the early 1960s.	

Q9. What two-digit prime number is the atomic number of copper, as well as the number of years Saturn takes to orbit the sun? (rounded to the nearest whole number)	
Q10. Present in many species of birds, the furcula (meaning “little fork”) is a bone formed by the fusion of the two clavicle bones, whose main role is to strengthen the thoracic skeleton so it can withstand the forces of flight. It is colloquially known in English by what name?	
Q11. The filament of an incandescent light bulb is most commonly made of a thin coil of what chemical element? It's no coincidence that this metal has the highest melting point of all known elements: 3,422 °C or 6,191 °F.	
Q12. Honeybee colonies usually contain three types of bees: queens and workers (both females) and what third type, which are always male? Unlike the workers, they play no part in maintaining the hive or gathering nectar: their only function being to mate with the queen.	
Q13. Invented in France in the 1870s, what oven-like device is used for sterilising lab or medical equipment by subjecting it to super-heated steam at up to twice normal atmospheric pressure? It is also used in the vulcanisation of rubber and various other industrial processes.	
Q14. Usually caused by a bacterial infection, “cystitis” is the medical name for inflammation of what organ in the human body?	
Q15. One of the earliest forms of animation was produced by what device seen in the picture? Launched as a toy by Milton Bradley in 1866, it consists of a cylinder with vertical slits on the sides and a row of images on the inside, which appear to animate when the cylinder is spun.	
Q16. Born in County Waterford in 1627, what Anglo-Irish scientist wrote the landmark 1661 book <i>The Sceptical Chymist</i>? The book contains his definition of chemical elements as “perfectly unmingled bodies”, rejecting earlier models such as Empedocles’s four elements of earth, air, fire and water. As a result, this man is often considered one of the fathers of modern chemistry.	
Q17. Depicting the Greek polymath Archimedes and containing the Latin phrase <i>Transire suum pectus mundoque potiri</i> (“To surpass one’s understanding and master the world”) this is the design of what prestigious prize, first awarded in 1936 and currently presented every four years, most recently in 2022?	

Q18. Originating in Mexico and named after a student of Carl Linnaeus, pictured are four of the 49 species of what genus of flowers? As a member of the <i>Asteraceae</i> family, these colourful flowers are related to sunflowers, daisies and chrysanthemums among others.		
Q19. 3, 7, 31, 127 and 8191 are the first five examples of what type of prime number, which all take the form of $2^n - 1$ for selected values of n? (For example, 127 is equal to $2^7 - 1$) They are named after the French friar and polymath who studied them in the early 17th century.		
Q20. Established in the 3rd century CE and offering education and training in medicine, philosophy, theology and science, the Academy of Gondishapur was one of the world's foremost centres of learning for centuries. It was located in what is now Khuzestan province in what present-day country?		
Q21. What name is given to the type of medical care aimed at optimising quality of life and mitigating suffering for patients with chronic or terminal illnesses? Contrasting with curative treatment, its aim is not to cure a disease, but to provide relief from its symptoms.		
Q22. Native to South-East Asia and with a typical diameter of between 15 and 25 cm, what is the largest citrus fruit in the world? Don't be tempted to answer "grapefruit", which in fact was an accidental cross between this fruit and the sweet orange which originated in 18th century Barbados.		
Q23. Used in economics and most often applied to income and/or wealth, the Gini coefficient is a value between 0 and 1 which measures what aspect of a set of values or frequency distribution? The Lorenz curve is a graphical representation of the same concept.		
Q24. Carolyn R. Bertozzi, Morten P. Meldal and K. Barry Sharpless were jointly awarded the 2022 Nobel Prize in Chemistry in part for their development of what new branch of chemistry, in which simple biocompatible reactions are used to create chemical "building blocks", which can then be combined in different ways to construct more complex molecules? The memorable name was coined by Sharpless's wife, Jan Dueser, who commented that the concept was akin to joining Lego blocks together.		

Q25. In biology, the “three-domain system” of taxonomy divides all organisms into three domains: eukaryotes (including all animals, plants and fungi), bacteria and which third domain? Like bacteria, this domain consists entirely of single-celled organisms without a cell nucleus, however they differ biochemically from bacteria in multiple ways, for example in their ribosomal RNA structure.	
Q26. What is the rarest naturally-occurring element in the Earth’s crust, with an estimated 28 grams present at any one time across the entire planet? This halogen occurs in nature only as the decay product of various heavier elements and itself is relatively short-lived, with its most stable isotope having a half-life of roughly 8 hours. Appropriately, its name derives from the Greek word for “unstable”.	
Q27. What word of French origin names a type of long-stemmed woody vine which uses trees to climb up to the canopy in search of direct sunlight? Such plants are characteristic of tropical moist broadleaf forests, but may also be found in temperate rainforests or deciduous forests.	
Q28. Name this German-born American physicist (1906-1972) who in 1963 became only the second woman (after Marie Curie) to receive the Nobel Prize for Physics? Sharing the prize with Eugene Wigner and J. Hans D. Jensen, her Nobel was awarded for the mathematical model of the structure of nuclear shells which she developed in the late 1940s.	
Q29. From the Ancient Greek words for “salt” and “plant”, what word describes plants able to grow in environments where the soil or water contains a high level of salinity, for example seashores or salt marshes? The term is contrasted with <i>glycophyte</i>, which refers to the large majority of plant species which are not salt-tolerant.	
Q30. Named after the Hungarian-born aeronautics engineer who calculated the theoretical maximum altitude at which aeroplanes could fly, what is the term for the boundary between Earth’s atmosphere and outer space? There is no universally-accepted definition of this “line” because the transition to the vacuum of space is such a gradual one, however it is most commonly considered to be 100 km above sea level.	

Entertainment

Q1. “Two households, both alike in dignity / In fair Verona where we lay our scene” – these are the first lines of the prologue to what famous play, first performed in 1597?	
Q2. The score to <i>Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny</i> (2023) resulted in the 26th Grammy win during the long career of what renowned American film composer, born in 1932?	
Q3. Peru, Palau, Tripoli and the Coral Sea are just four of the diverse geographic locations mentioned in the lyrics of what 1988 song: the only UK number one single by the best-selling Irish solo artist of all time?	
Q4. A previously-unknown piece by what classical composer was recently discovered in the Leipzig Municipal Music Library? Given the title <i>Ganz kleine Nachtmusik</i>, it consists of seven miniature movements for a string trio and was believed to be written in the late 1760s when the composer was in his early teens.	
Q5. Played by Jeffrey Hunter, Christopher Pike was the lead character in the original 1965 pilot episode of what iconic TV show? The network rejected the pilot but took the unusual step of commissioning a second pilot with an almost entirely new cast, which kicked off a hugely successful media franchise when it was finally broadcast in 1966.	
Q6. Established in 1931, SRG SSR is the public service TV and radio broadcaster of what country? It is split into four different regional subsidiaries (SRF, RTS, RSI and RTR), each of which produces programming in a different language.	
Q7. Who is this American musician-turned-politician? A Republican congressman between 1994 and his sudden death in 1998, he is the only member of the US Congress to have scored a number one pop single on the Billboard Hot 100, a feat he achieved in 1965 via a famous duet with his then-wife. (First <u>or</u> last name accepted)	
Q8. What French term is given to the ballet technique which allows dancers to move gracefully while supporting their body weight on the tips of their toes (albeit with the aid of specially-designed shoes)?	
Q9. This type of “bent” trumpet was the signature instrument of what American jazz musician (1917-1993)? According to legend, one of his trumpets was initially bent by accident, but he kept it that way because he liked the tone, and from then on had all of his trumpets custom-made in this shape.	

Q10. A seamstress named Mimì and a poet named Rodolfo are the two principal roles in which 1896 opera, based on an 1840s novel by French author Henri Murger?	
Q11. Guinness World Records cites what Indian singer (born 1933) as the most prolific recording artist of all time, having recorded around 11,000 songs in over 20 languages since the start of her career in 1947? She is arguably the most famous of India's "playback singers" – who record songs for movie soundtracks, which actors then lip-sync to on-camera. Western pop music fans probably know her best from being name-checked in a UK Number 1 single of the late 1990s. (You may answer with simply her first name)	
Q12. In what can only be described as a landmark day for modern popular culture, the debut single by The Beatles (<i>Love Me Do</i>) and the very first James Bond movie (<i>Dr. No</i>) coincidentally both had their original UK release on the exact same day: October 5th of what year?	
Q13. Used in a handful of notable classical pieces such as Berlioz's <i>Roméo et Juliette</i> and Debussy's <i>Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun</i>, in what section of an orchestra would you find the instruments known as <i>crotales</i>?	
Q14. Set in feudal-era Japan, what historical TV drama series recently set a new record for the most-awarded single season of television in Emmy history, winning 18 awards? It is also the first non-English language show ever to win the Emmy for Outstanding Drama Series.	
Q15. What is the name of this Warner Bros cartoon character? (First <u>or</u> last name accepted) Originally introduced in a 1945 Looney Tunes short, he is a French-accented skunk usually seen romantically pursuing a female black cat who he mistakes for a fellow skunk. The character's aggressively amorous behaviour has been criticised in recent years in the wake of the #MeToo movement.	
Q16. Debuting in 2017, what was the first German-language TV series produced by Netflix? This acclaimed sci-fi thriller series is set in the fictional German town of Winden in the aftermath of a child's mysterious disappearance.	
Q17. Winner of Best Musical and Best Original Score at the 2019 Tonys, what stage musical by Anaïs Mitchell is a modern retelling of the Greek myth of Orpheus and Eurydice, which takes place in a post-apocalyptic setting heavily inspired by Depression-era New Orleans?	

Q18. Three brothers with the surname Farriss were core members of what highly successful band, founded in Sydney in the late 1970s?	
Q19. The mambo, the rumba and the cha-cha-cha are all styles of music and/or dance that originated in what country?	
Q20. Name this Mali-born French pop star, currently the world's most-streamed female Francophone singer? Earlier this year, she was the subject of racist abuse on social media when she was selected to sing at the Paris Olympics opening ceremony – however she had the last laugh, winning critical praise for her performance which featured a medley of her hit songs <i>Pookie</i> and <i>Djadja</i>.	
Q21. German-born artist Max Siedentopf made headlines in 2019 when he unveiled an art installation in the Namib Desert consisting of six speakers connected to a solar-powered MP3 player, set to play which classic 80s hit on an endless loop? The choice of song was appropriate given the geographic location of the installation. (Only the song title is required.)	
Q22. Irish music manager and businessman Ronan O’Rahilly founded what groundbreaking “pirate radio” station in 1964, which broadcast from a ship moored in international waters in the North Sea? This enabled the station to broadcast to a UK audience while bypassing the BBC’s then-monopoly on the British airwaves. The origin of the station’s name is disputed, but it is often said to be inspired by a photograph of US President John F. Kennedy playing with his daughter.	
Q23. Although they themselves were born elsewhere (England, Kosovo and the US respectively), the singers Dua Lipa, Rita Ora and Ava Max all come from families who are ethnically what European nationality?	
Q24. What French composer (1893-1918) was the first woman to win the prestigious Prix de Rome music prize, doing so in 1913 at the age of 20 for her one-act opera <i>Faust et Hélène</i>? Tragically, she died of tuberculosis at the age of 24, survived by her older sister Nadia – herself also a composer, but more famously a highly influential music teacher and conductor.	

Q25. Cited as an influence by singers such as Lady Gaga and fashion designers such as Jean-Paul Gaultier, **name this German pop singer and performance artist**, noted for his operatic vocals and otherworldly stage persona involving heavy make-up and unusual costumes?



He became one of the first high-profile figures to die of AIDS when he passed away in August 1983 aged 39.

Q26. The English-language operas *The Rake's Progress* by Igor Stravinsky and *Love's Labour's Lost* by Nicolas Nabokov both had librettos co-written by the American writer Chester Kallman and **which English-born writer** (1907-1973), far better known as a poet?

Q27. Also the Spanish word for “drawer” or “crate”, **what is the name** of this musical instrument?

Originating in Peru, this box-shaped drum is usually played by sitting on top and slapping the wooden front or sides with your hands.



Q28. *Jultagi* (also known as *eoreum*) is a traditional Korean performance of **what acrobatic skill**?

Typically including jokes, mimicry, songs and dance, such performances are markedly different from the same skill when performed in other countries, which usually take place in a circus and do not involve the performer speaking or singing.

Q29. Listed by *Forbes* magazine as the wealthiest musician in South Africa: the DJ, record producer and songwriter born Nkosi Nathi Maphumulo in 1976 performs under **what beverage-inspired stage name**?

His most recent album *Subconsciously* (2021) won the Grammy Award for Best Dance/Electronic Music Album.



Q30. The anthropomorphic fast food items Master Shake, Meatwad and Frylock are the three heroes of **what surreal US animated TV series**, which aired from 2000 to 2015?

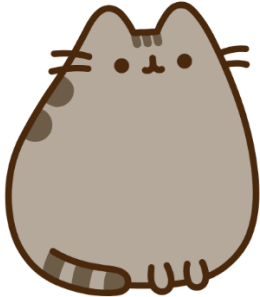


Lifestyle

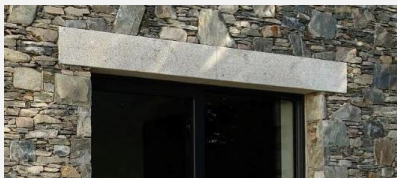
Q1. Part of a popular Internet meme, this image comes from a 2011 episode of <i>The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills</i>, showing an emotional outburst from cast member Taylor Armstrong. In the full version of the meme, she appears to be yelling at what animal as it sits at a table?		
Q2. Held annually since 1948, the Costume Institute Benefit is an annual fundraising event held for the titular institute, which forms part of New York’s Metropolitan Museum of Art. A globally renowned haute couture spectacle attended by designers, models, Hollywood stars and other celebrities, it is usually referred to by what two-word name?		
Q3. Most commonly said to have been invented in Australia in the early 1980s, what popular coffee drink consists of an espresso shot mixed with steamed milk – somewhat similar to a latte, but with a greater ratio of coffee to milk and a thinner layer of microfoam on top?		
Q4. It’s not knitting or crochet, but this wall hanging is a typical item made using what handicraft, in which lengths of cord or thread are formed into decorative patterns using knots?		
Q5. Nowadays owned by PepsiCo, what sports drink brand was developed in the 1960s by a team of scientists at the University of Florida College of Medicine and named after the moniker used by the college’s sports teams?		
Q6. What given name of Indian origin is derived from the Sanskrit word for “lotus flower”? While not on the list of top 1,000 baby names in the US in 2023, it has already seen a 20% increase in usage by American parents so far in 2024: a trend which seems certain to continue, due to a notable individual with this name whose global prominence has increased sharply in the past few months.		
Q7. From the 1970s onwards, as regulations on tobacco advertising became tighter in many countries, marketers found increasingly ingenious ways to work around the restrictions. Pictured is a prime example: a wordless 1990 print advertisement for what British cigarette brand?		
Q8. The liqueurs Bärenjäger (Germany), Drambuie (Scotland) and Irish Mist (Ireland) are all prominently flavoured with what non-alcoholic ingredient – one which itself has been fermented to produce alcohol since ancient times?		

Q9. Although the concept originated in the 1890s, it has only achieved wide popularity in the last two decades: what fad diet is based on the assumption that the human digestive system has remained basically unchanged for the past 10,000 years, and hence the food eaten by ancient hunter-gatherers is also optimal for modern humans? This diet mainly consists of vegetables, fruits, nuts, roots and meat, while excluding grains, dairy products, alcohol and coffee.	
Q10. What Korean car brand was originally founded in 1944 as Kyungsung Precision Industry, a manufacturer of steel tubing and bicycle parts?	
Q11. Sometimes known as the “medial cleft”, what single-word name (from the Ancient Greek for “love charm”) is given to the vertical indentation in the middle of the upper lip in many species of mammals? In humans and most primates it is vestigial, but in other mammals it is believed to aid the sense of smell by routing odour-carrying compounds towards the auxiliary olfactory organ located above the roof of the mouth.	
Q12. Originally coined in the 19th century and referencing an American city, what three-word phrase is an informal term for a very short period of time, humorously described by the author Terry Pratchett as “<i>The shortest unit of time in the multiverse... the period of time between the traffic lights turning green and the cab behind you honking</i>”? In popular culture, this phrase has appeared both in the title of a 1989 hit song by Don Henley, and a 2004 film starring Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen.	
Q13. In a tarot card deck, the “Minor Arcana” consists of 56 cards divided into four suits, usually called Wands, Cups, Pentacles and what fourth suit?	
Q14. This is the Japanese logo of what fast fashion retailer? Founded in Hiroshima in 1984, it currently operates over 3,700 stores across Asia, Europe, Australasia and North America.	
Q15. Name this variety of chili pepper, ubiquitous in West Africa and the Caribbean? Their usual English name derives from their supposed resemblance to the traditional British headwear the tam o’ shanter.	
Q16. These 1970s-inspired leaf and flower patterns are signature motifs of what Irish designer (born 1963)? Her work has been used to adorn a wide variety of products including homewares, wallpaper and textiles.	

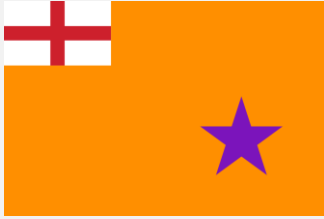
Q17. The currencies of Serbia, Algeria and Iraq all share what name?	
Q18. How many minutes are there in one year? (A standard 365-day <u>non</u>-leap year) If you don't want to work this out mathematically, you can instead draw upon your knowledge of musical theatre, since this six-digit number is frequently repeated during the song <i>Seasons of Love</i> from the musical <i>Rent</i>.	
Q19. What name is given to the square cotton scarf worn as a traditional headdress in many parts of the Middle East, particularly by men? The black-and-white patterned version shown in the picture is symbolic of Palestine and has been used in many countries to show solidarity with the citizens of Gaza during the current conflict against Israel.	
Q20. Literally meaning “grilled bird”, what popular Japanese street food consists of chicken pieces on a thin bamboo or metal skewer, cooked on a grill?	
Q21. This is the logo of what video-sharing website? Founded in Chicago in 2016, this site allows customers to purchase personalised video messages from a wide variety of celebrities, currently including Caitlyn Jenner, Ice T and Lennox Lewis.	
Q22. The colourful Sri Siva Subramaniya Temple is the largest Hindu temple in the Southern Hemisphere, and a major attraction for worshippers and tourists alike in the town of Nadi, in what country?	
Q23. What everyday substance is produced by strongly heating wood (or other organic materials) in minimal oxygen to remove all water and volatile constituents? This substance has been produced by human societies since antiquity and is used for a wide variety of purposes, including medicine, chemistry, art and cosmetics.	
Q24. Itaúsa is one of the world's largest conglomerates, with its major subsidiaries including the bank Itaú and the manufacturing companies Alpargatas and Duratex. These companies were all founded (and are still headquartered) in what country?	

Q25. This is the logo of what product, a portable media player launched by Microsoft in 2006 as a high-profile competitor to Apple's iPod? Unsuccessful in capturing a large market share, it was discontinued in 2011.	
Q26. Located outside Tokyo's Shibuya railway station is a statue to what famously loyal dog? Following his owner's sudden death in 1925, the dog continued to come to the station every day for almost 10 years in the hope of meeting his owner as he got off the train. The dog's story has been adapted into a movie twice, most recently a 2008 Hollywood version starring Richard Gere.	
Q27. Created in 2010 by American illustrators Claire Belton and Andrew Duff for their website <i>Everyday Cute</i>, name this feline cartoon character who – much like Hello Kitty – is the subject of a highly successful range of merchandise? Described as “a sweet, curious, lazy, & plump tabby cat that loves to have adventures”, this character's name is a phonetic rendering of the Irish-language word for “kitten”.	
Q28. What word describes phrases such as <i>acoustic guitar</i>, <i>World War I</i> and <i>bricks-and-mortar store</i> – in other words, a new name coined for an existing or older object, in order to distinguish it from something newer?	
Q29. Reacting to the historic links between the chocolate industry and slave labour, Dutch TV producer and journalist Teun van de Keuken founded what “slavery-free” chocolate brand in 2005? Now available across Europe and the US, this company's chocolate bars are divided into chunks of irregular size, symbolising the unequal distribution of income in the chocolate industry. A <u>one-word</u> answer will suffice.	
Q30. Since the list of “The World's 50 Best Restaurants” was first published by <i>Restaurant</i> magazine in 2002, which Spanish eatery has topped the list the most times: 5 in total? Run by innovative Spanish chef Ferran Adrià and located near the town of Roses on the Costa Brava, the restaurant closed in 2011 but has since reopened as a “centre for culinary creativity”.	

Culture

Q1. Since 1989, this glass pyramid designed by Chinese-American architect IM Pei has served as the main visitor entrance to what world-famous art museum?		
Q2. The 1637 philosophical treatise <i>Discourse on the Method</i> by René Descartes contains the French quote “<i>Je pense, donc je suis</i>” which has come to be his most famous philosophical statement, albeit better-known via its Latin and English translations. Please give either?		
Q3. Named because of its followers’ belief in twelve divinely ordained leaders, the group known as “Twelvers” or Imāmiyya comprise roughly 90% of what branch of Islam?		
Q4. This 1893 work by Paul Cézanne is a classic example of what genre of painting, which typically depicts a group of inanimate objects arranged on a table or other surface?		
Q5. Opened in 2022, the Museum of the Future is a distinctive building in the shape of an asymmetric torus, whose windows spell out a poem written in Arabic calligraphy. It can be found in which major Middle Eastern city?		
Q6. A set of “golden plates” buried in a hill in upstate New York are the supposed source of what religious text, first published in 1830 and central to a religious movement which currently counts 17 million followers worldwide?		
Q7. The two most well-known statues by Auguste Rodin – <i>The Thinker</i> and <i>The Kiss</i> – were both originally conceived on a much smaller scale as part of <i>The Gates of Hell</i>, a monumental work depicting scenes from what 14th century narrative poem by Dante?		
Q8. In architecture, what name is given to the horizontal beam which runs across the top of a door, window or other opening? Made of concrete, steel or wood, they are usually load-bearing, but can also be purely decorative.		
Q9. Although <i>Waltzing Matilda</i> is often described as “Australia’s unofficial national anthem”, the country has long had its own official anthem: first designated as such in 1974 to replace <i>God Save the Queen</i>, and written by the Scottish-born composer Peter Dodds McCormick in 1878, what is its three-word title?		

Q10. New York's Chrysler Building is one of the most recognisable buildings designed in what style? Particularly prevalent in the 1920s and 30s, this design movement typically involves clean lines, bold geometric forms and a high level of craftsmanship to represent luxury, glamour and modernity.		
Q11. The 1964 painting <i>The Son of Man</i> by René Magritte depicts a man wearing an overcoat and bowler hat with what object obscuring his face?		
Q12. "So faith, hope, [BLANK] remain, these three; but the greatest of these is [BLANK]." This Bible quote from St Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians defines the three so-called theological virtues in Christianity. In the King James Bible, the missing word is "charity", however in most modern translations of the Bible, which four-letter word is substituted instead?		
Q13. What character in Slavic folklore is often depicted as a fearsome witch who eats children and lives in a highly unusual hut which sits on top of a pair of chicken's legs? This two-word name is also used as a nickname for Keanu Reeves's character in the <i>John Wick</i> movies.		
Q14. One of his most recognisable paintings, this 1888 work by English artist John William Waterhouse depicts the cursed title figure of what famous 19th century poem by Alfred, Lord Tennyson?		
Q15. Consisting of a standing golden lion on a red background, wearing a golden crown and holding an axe, this is the royal coat of arms of which European country?		
Q16. What Biblical heroine was a Jewish widow who beheaded the invading Assyrian general Holofernes and hence saved her city from destruction? The assassination was the subject of many notable artworks during the Renaissance and Baroque periods, including a statue by Donatello and paintings by Gentileschi and Caravaggio.		
Q17. In the name of the academic qualification PhD, what are the <u>two</u> words that the abbreviations "Ph" and "D" stand for?		

Q18. The Japanese <i>Setsubun</i> festival is held every year in early February to celebrate the start of spring. It centres around the ritual of <i>mamemaki</i>, in which people throw what foodstuff out of their front door – or at a family member wearing a demon mask – to ward off evil and bring good fortune for the year ahead?	
Q19. Eleven of the twelve mythological labours of Hercules could have landed him in trouble with the law, since their objective involved either killing, kidnapping or theft. Which of the twelve labours is the only exception? You can simply answer with the perfectly legal action Hercules was tasked with performing, <u>or</u> the type of building in which this labour took place.	
Q20. This is the flag of what Protestant fraternal order? Founded in 1795 in Armagh, they are still based primarily in Northern Ireland, though lodges exist as far afield as Canada, New Zealand and West Africa. Their traditional marches in Northern Ireland, usually occurring during the summer months, have at times caused friction with nearby Catholic communities.	
Q21. Most often depicted as a man with the head of an ibis or a baboon, who was the Egyptian god of knowledge, science, art, writing and magic? Along with Yah and Konsu, he is also one of the major Egyptian deities of the moon.	
Q22. Born in London in 1931, name the English artist known as a leading exponent of op art, a style of abstract visual art that utilises optical illusions to give the viewer the impression of movement, three-dimensionality or other visual phenomena?	
Q23. Zeno of Citium is considered the founder of what ancient school of philosophy, which argues that the practice of virtue is sufficient to achieve a well-lived life? Seneca and Marcus Aurelius were two of the most notable Roman thinkers who embraced this philosophy.	
Q24. A “boodle fight” is a type of shared meal in which food is spread out on a table lined with banana leaves, while diners stand around the table eating directly with their hands. Part of the broader practice of <i>kamayan</i> or communal feasting, it is an emblematic custom of what island country?	

Q25. Frequently used as an Internet meme, this is the 1793 work *Portrait de l'artiste sous les traits d'un moqueur* ("Self Portrait of the Artist in the Guise of a Mockingbird") by **which French painter?**

He produced multiple self-portraits depicting himself in unusual poses, such as yawning or gasping in surprise.



Q26. Named after a character in the comic strip *Li'l Abner*, **what name is given** to the American tradition of allowing women to freely ask men for a date or a dance on a specified day of the year (typically November 13th)?

This tradition was established in the late 1930s and lasted for decades across multiple parts of the US, though understandably has declined in recent times.

Q27. In Greek mythology, the Fates or *Moirai* ensured that mortals lived out their assigned destiny, with each life represented by a length of thread.

They consisted of a trio of sisters: Clotho, who spun the thread, Lachesis who measured it, and **which third sister**, who cut the thread when each mortal's time had come, thus ending their life?

Q28. Completed circa 1583 and housed in the Loggia dei Lanzi in Florence, the marble statue *Abduction of a Sabine Woman* is considered the masterpiece of **which Flemish-born sculptor**, often cited as the last significant sculptor of the Italian Renaissance?



Q29. A central tenet in Jainism, Hinduism and Buddhism, **name the ancient Indian principle** of non-violence which states that humans should cause no injury to another living being, whether through one's deeds, words or thoughts?

Q30. The American Catholic nun Nazarena of Jesus (1907-1990) spent the last 45 years of her life secluded in a cell in the Camaldolese monastery in Rome, making her a rare modern example of **what type of religious recluse?**

Unlike hermits, who typically reside in complete solitude in a remote location, this type of recluse usually lived in a cell attached to a church, completely sealed in except for a small window allowing for transfer of food and drink, and for communication with worshippers who came to seek their guidance.

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