

# DUBLIN QUIZ LEAGUE

## RUNNING ORDER + INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS

SEASON 9 MATCH 7 (10th March 2025, 7.30pm) - set by Team Irish Life

### 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)	One of the few female senior ministers in the current Irish Government, which Fine Gael TD has served as Minister for Education and Youth since January of this year?	Helen <b>McEntee</b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1)	One of the few female senior ministers in the current Irish Government, which Fianna Fáil TD has served as Minister for Children, Disability and Equality since January of this year?	Norma <b>Foley</b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2)	Three times All-Ireland Senior Football club champions St. Vincents of Marino wear jerseys which are blue and what other colour?	<b>White</b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2)	Three times All-Ireland Senior Football club champions Kilmacud Crokes of Stillorgan wear jerseys which are purple and what other colour?	<b>Yellow</b> (accept <b>gold</b> )
<b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3)	Name <u>either</u> of the two retired sportsmen who competed in Netflix's recent series <i>Celebrity Bear Hunt</i> ? One was a former tennis star, the other a rugby union player.	Boris <b>Becker</b> / Danny <b>Cipriani</b> (accept <u>either</u> )
<b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3)	Name <u>either</u> of the two former girlband members who competed in Netflix's recent series <i>Celebrity Bear Hunt</i> ? One of their bands was huge in the 1990s, the other not quite so huge from 2007 to 2014.	Una <b>Healy</b> / Melanie <b>Brown</b> (accept <u>either</u> - also accept <b>Mel B</b> or <b>Scary Spice</b> )
<b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4)	Elena Ferrante, a pseudonymous Italian author, had three books in the recently published <i>New York Times</i> list of the Best Books of the 21st Century, including the first placed book on the list. Name <u>any</u> of these three books?	<b>My Brilliant Friend</b> / <b>The Story of the Lost Child</b> / <b>The Days of Abandonment</b> (accept <u>any</u> )
<b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4)	American author George Saunders also had three books in the recently published <i>New York Times</i> list of the Best Books of the 21st Century, including a Booker Prize winner. Name <u>any</u> of these three books?	<b>Lincoln in the Bardo</b> / <b>Tenth of December</b> / <b>Pastoralia</b> (accept <u>any</u> )

## **Round 2 - Team**

Team **A** to pick a topic first

Team **B** to pick a topic second

## **Round 3 - Individual**

<b>Q1a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>1</b> )	Starring Dan Aykroyd and John Belushi in the titular roles, which highly successful 1980 movie featured characters from recurring sketches on NBC's variety series <i>Saturday Night Live</i> ?	The <b><u>Blues Brothers</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>1</b> )	Featuring Mike Myers and Dana Carvey in the two main starring roles, which highly successful 1992 comedy movie was also based on recurring characters from <i>Saturday Night Live</i> ?	<b><u>Wayne's World</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>2</b> )	Since 2004, the airport of which city has been named after Lech Wałęsa [" <i>va-wensa</i> "], the former president of Poland from 1990 to 1995?	<b><u>Gdańsk</u></b> (accept <b><u>Danzig</u></b> )
<b>Q2b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>2</b> )	In 1990, the airport of which city was renamed after its native-born son Amerigo Vespucci, the merchant and cartographer for whom America was named?	<b><u>Florence</u></b> / <b><u>Firenze</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>3</b> )	Launched in 1938, what British Royal Navy Town-class light cruiser is nowadays permanently moored as a museum ship on the River Thames near Tower Bridge in London, operated by the Imperial War Museum?	HMS <b><u>Belfast</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>3</b> )	Which US Navy Essex-class aircraft carrier, built during World War II, was put into service as a museum ship in 1982 on the Hudson River in Manhattan's Hell's Kitchen neighbourhood?	USS <b><u>Intrepid</u></b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>4</b> )	At over 1.7 million square kilometres (larger than France, Spain, Germany and the UK combined), what is the largest US state by area?	<b><u>Alaska</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>4</b> )	At only 4,001 square kilometres (smaller than County Tipperary), what is the smallest US state by area?	<b><u>Rhode Island</u></b>

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

Team **B** to pick a topic first

Team **A** to pick a topic second

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

<b>Q1a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>1</b> )	In the Beatrix Potter story <i>The Tale of Mrs Tiggy-Winkle</i> , what type of animal is Mrs Tiggy-Winkle? Gregory Gráinneog was another fictional version of this animal.	<b><u>Hedgehog</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>1</b> )	In the Beatrix Potter story <i>The Tale of Mr Tod</i> , what type of animal is Mr Tod? This animal also features in the <i>Run Swift Run Free</i> books by Irish author Tom McCaughren.	<b><u>Fox</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>2</b> )	The House of Al Bu Said [ <i>"al boo sigh-eed"</i> ] is the current ruling royal family of which Middle Eastern country? Generations of the family have held sultanates in the region for nearly 300 years.	<b><u>Oman</u></b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>2</b> )	The House of Thani [ <i>"tha-nee"</i> ] is the current ruling family of which Middle Eastern country? Generations of the family have held emirates in the region for around 175 years.	<b><u>Qatar</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>3</b> )	The name of which planet of the solar system completes the title of a 1971 David Bowie song: <i>Life on &lt;BLANK&gt;?</i>	<b><u>Mars</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>3</b> )	The name of which planet of the solar system completes the title of a 1987 Belinda Carlisle song: <i>Heaven is a Place on &lt;BLANK&gt;?</i>	<b><u>Earth</u></b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>4</b> )	The Irish proverb, " <i>nil aon tinteán mar do thinteán féin</i> " is broadly equivalent to the English proverb " <i>there's no place like home</i> ". What is a "tinteán"? They are less common perhaps in the underfloor heating era!	<b><u>Fireplace</u> / <u>Hearth</u></b> (accept similar)
<b>Q4b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>4</b> )	The Irish proverb, " <i>aithníonn ciaróg, ciaróg eile</i> " is broadly equivalent to the English proverb, " <i>it takes one to know one</i> ". What order of insect is a "ciaróg" - it makes up the largest order by number of species of the insect class?	<b><u>Beetle</u></b>

### **Round 6 - Team**

Team **A** to pick a topic first

Team **B** to pick a topic second

### **Round 7 - Individual**

<b>Q1a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>1</b> )	Beloved of football supporters, the aria <i>La Donna e Mobile</i> features in which Verdi opera?	<b><u>Rigoletto</u></b>
<b>Q1b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>1</b> )	Beloved of football supporters, the piece of music which accompanies the Triumphal March features in which Verdi opera?	<b><u>Aida</u></b>
<b>Q2a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>2</b> )	If you combine the chemical symbols for titanium and nitrogen, they spell the name of what other three-letter chemical element?	<b><u>Tin</u></b>
<b>Q2b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>2</b> )	If you combine the chemical symbols for iridium, oxygen and nitrogen, they spell the name of what other four-letter chemical element?	<b><u>Iron</u></b>
<b>Q3a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>3</b> )	50% larger than the second largest in the province, which is the biggest county in Ulster by area?	<b><u>Donegal</u></b>
<b>Q3b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>3</b> )	Some 30% smaller than the next smallest in the province, which is the smallest county by area in Munster? It's the only Munster county outside the top 10 largest counties by area.	<b><u>Waterford</u></b>
<b>Q4a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>4</b> )	With just over 5,000 units sold, the Hyundai Tucson was the best selling new car in Ireland in 2024. What other Hyundai model was also in the top 10 for the year? It's defined as a subcompact SUV, slightly smaller than the Tucson.	<b><u>Kona</u></b>
<b>Q4b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>4</b> )	With around 4,400 units sold, the Skoda Octavia was the second best selling new car in Ireland in 2024. What other Skoda model was also in the top 10 for the year? It's a larger SUV than the Octavia.	<b><u>Kodiaq</u></b>

## **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)**

The stapes or stirrup, the smallest bone in the human skeleton, is found in which part of the body?	<u>Ear</u>
The femur, the largest bone in the human skeleton, is found in which part of the body?	Upper <u>leg</u> / <u>thigh</u>
Ophelia is the lover of which of Shakespeare's title characters? Their love isn't helped by the fact that this title character kills Ophelia's father.	<u>Hamlet</u>
Desdemona is the wife of which of Shakespeare's title characters? Wrongly believing she has committed adultery, this title character kills her.	<u>Othello</u>
On which racecourse is the Welsh Grand National traditionally run? It usually takes place on 27th December each year.	<u>Chepstow</u>
On which racecourse is the Scottish Grand National traditionally run? It usually takes place in mid-April each year.	<u>Ayr</u>
Golden, grey and ringed are the three members of which wading bird family commonly found in Ireland?	<u>Plover</u>
Little, great-crested and black-necked are the three members of which wading bird family commonly found in Ireland?	<u>Grebe</u>

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## TEAM QUESTIONS

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### HIGNFY

<b>Q1</b> Name the <u>two</u> regular team captains on the BBC satirical quiz show <i>Have I Got News For You?</i> One is a comedian and writer, the other is the editor of the magazine <i>Private Eye</i> .	Paul <b>Merton</b> / Ian <b>Hislop</b> (need both)
<b>Q2</b> Which husband and wife have presented over 30 episodes of <i>Have I Got News For You</i> between them? She presented an episode in last year's Autumn season, whereas he last presented four years ago. You can simply answer with their shared surname.	Victoria Coren <b>Mitchell</b> and David <b>Mitchell</b>
<b>Q3</b> Two Irishmen were among the presenters of episodes of <i>Have I Got News For You</i> in the early 2000s. One was Dara Ó Briain, who was other? This Clare-born presenter used this as a warm-up for a presenting role on another popular game show.	Des <b>Lynam</b> (before he hosted <i>Countdown</i> )
<b>Q4</b> A US version of <i>Have I Got News For You</i> is currently in its second season: which American comedian is its host? This man appeared regularly as a correspondent on <i>The Daily Show</i> between 2015 and 2023.	Roy <b>Wood</b> Jr

### Famous Shanes

<b>Q1</b> 2024 Hurler of the Year Shane O'Donnell plays for which county, the current reigning All-Ireland Senior Hurling champions?	<b>Clare</b>
<b>Q2</b> Which English singer, winner of the second series of <i>The X Factor</i> , had the UK Christmas number 1 in 2005 with the song <i>That's My Goal</i> ?	Shayne <b>Ward</b>
<b>Q3</b> Australian cricketer Shane Warne bowled the so-called "Ball of the Century" in the 1993 Ashes Test match in Old Trafford. Who was the English batsman dismissed by this ball?	Mike <b>Gatting</b>
<b>Q4</b> Another famous Australian Shane was Shane Parrish, played by Dieter Brummer on <i>Home and Away</i> . Which character did Shane Parrish marry on the series - a character played by the actress Melissa George? You can answer with her first <u>or</u> last name.	<b>Angel Brooks</b> (accept first <u>or</u> last name)

### **Sporting Firsts**

<b>Q1</b> Held in the second-smallest South American country, which host nation won the inaugural Men's FIFA World Cup in 1930?	<u>Uruguay</u>
<b>Q2</b> Held in April 1888, which county won what is regarded as the first Senior Men's All Ireland Football title when they beat Louth on a scoreline of 1-4 to 0-3? This Munster county have only won the title once since then, in 1896.	<u>Limerick</u>
<b>Q3</b> The final of the World Snooker Championships has been held at the Crucible Theatre Sheffield every year since 1977. Which Englishman won that first Crucible final, beating Cliff Thorburn on a scoreline of 25-21?	John <u>Spencer</u>
<b>Q4</b> The world's most famous bicycle race, the Tour de France, was first contested in 1903. Which Italian-French rider won that inaugural edition? He was stripped of his title in the second tour in 1904, along with 8 others, for cheating.	Maurice <u>Garin</u>

### **Dublin Islands**

<b>Q1</b> Accessible by bridges from Clontarf and Raheny, on which Dublin island would you find Dollymount Strand? Only in existence since the 19th century, this island is an important nature reserve and bird sanctuary.	North <u>Bull</u> Island
<b>Q2</b> The largest Irish island off the east coast, which north Dublin island takes its name from the young animals born there? Interestingly, the island is owned by the Barings family of banking infamy and since the 1950s has been home to a population of wallabies, now numbering in the hundreds.	<u>Lambay</u> Island
<b>Q3</b> Home to a Martello tower and lots of goats, which southside island, formerly known as St Begnet's Island, is accessed via tourist boats from Collimore Harbour?	<u>Dalkey</u> Island
<b>Q4</b> Which pair of islands, north-east of Skerries and home to an internationally important tern colony, are nicknamed the Cow and the Calf? Although they are two separate islands, they are often called by a single-word name which combines their two individual names. You can answer with the single word <u>or</u> the two island names.	<u>Rock</u> and <u>Bill</u> / <u>Rockabill</u>

## Women of Note

<b>Q1</b> Which 19th century author can currently be seen on the reverse of the Bank of England 5 pound note? The note also contains a quote from her book <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> .	Jane <b>Austen</b>
<b>Q2</b> A copy of the portrait of which woman appeared on all of the first set of banknotes issued by the Irish Free State government in 1928? The original portrait, produced by her husband, is now on display in the National Gallery.	Lady Hazel <b>Lavery</b> (born Hazel <b>Martyn</b> )
<b>Q3</b> Prior to the introduction of the euro, Sister Catherine McAuley, founder of the Sisters of Mercy, was featured on the front of the Irish 5 pound note. What Dublin building was shown on the reverse of this note?	<b>Mater</b> Misericordiae Hospital
<b>Q4</b> In January, the ECB announced two proposed shortlists, one of rivers and birds and the other of European culture, for a future redesign of the Euro banknotes. If the European culture shortlist is selected, which 20th century singer will appear on the 5 euro note? Although born in New York, her mother returned to Europe when she was just five and she died in Paris in 1977.	Maria <b>Callas</b>

## Finglas's Finest Part 1

<b>Q1</b> Living in Cedarwood Road, Finglas for the first 22 years of his life, what is the <u>real name</u> of the lead singer of Ireland's all-time biggest selling rock band? He apparently took his stage name from a hearing-aid shop on Dublin's North Earl Street.	Paul <b>Hewson</b>
<b>Q2</b> Spending the first 18 years of his life living in Abbotstown Avenue, Finglas West, which footballer made nearly 500 first-team appearances for Liverpool, the most for any Irishman? He also made 53 appearances for the Republic of Ireland between 1981 and 1995, scoring three goals.	Ronnie <b>Whelan</b>
<b>Q3</b> Living on Sycamore Road, Finglas East for the first 13 years of her life, who was the voice of Bosco for over 350 episodes during the 1980s?	Paula <b>Lambert</b>
<b>Q4</b> Living in Finglas Park for the first 27 years of his life, which writer and member of Aosdána won awards for his novels, including <i>The Lonely Sea and the Sky</i> and <i>An Ark of Light</i> , for his plays including <i>The Lament for Arthur Cleary</i> and for his poetry, including 2022's <i>Other People's Lives</i> ? He also founded the publisher New Island Books.	Dermot <b>Bolger</b>

## Waaaay Out There

<b>Q1</b> Often misconstrued as a measure of time, which unit of astronomical distance is equivalent to $9.4 \times 10^{12}$ km (nearly 6 million million miles)? This means that it's long but not infinity or beyond!	<u>Light year</u>
<b>Q2</b> Which unit of length was historically conceived as the average Earth-Sun distance before its modern redefinition in 2012? It is now defined to be just under 150 million kilometres.	<u>Astronomical Unit / AU</u>
<b>Q3</b> Which unit of length, normally used to measure the large distances to astronomical objects outside the Solar System, is approximately equal to 3.26 light-years or 206,000 astronomical units? Han Solo clearly didn't understand this unit of length!	<u>Parsec</u>
<b>Q4</b> The 2011 Nobel Prize in Physics was awarded to three different scientists working at the Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, Johns Hopkins University and the Australian National Lab for their discovery of the accelerating expansion of the universe. Name <u>any</u> of these three scientists?	Saul <u>Perlmutter</u> / Adam <u>Reiss</u> / Brian <u>Schmidt</u> (accept <u>Smith</u> )

## Plague Writers

<b>Q1</b> Chronicling London life during the Great Plague of 1665, which English author wrote the 1722 novel <i>A Journal of the Plague Year</i> ? Later in 1722, this author also published his famous novel <i>Moll Flanders</i> .	Daniel <u>Defoe</u>
<b>Q2</b> What popular science book by Professor Luke O'Neill covers a range of big threats facing humankind, including global pandemics? Awarded 2020 Irish Book of the Year, the book's name is almost identical to the only studio released by a famous British punk band -- you may answer with just the first <u>four</u> words of its title.	<u>Never Mind The Bollocks</u> Here's The Science
<b>Q3</b> Albert Camus' 1947 novel <i>The Plague</i> is set in which city in Algeria, the country's second largest?	<u>Oran</u>
<b>Q4</b> Later made into a National Geographic TV series, what is the name of the 1994 non-fiction bestseller by Richard Preston which details the origins and outbreaks of a number of viruses in Africa, including Ebola and the Marburg virus?	The <u>Hot Zone</u>