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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>                                        |
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| <b>Q1a</b> (Team A Person 1) | What Irish comedian hosted every single episode of the BBC comedy panel show <i>Mock The Week</i> during its 17 year run from 2005 to 2022?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Dara <u>Ó Briain</u> ["oh breen"]                    |
| <b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1) | What is the only chemical element named after a still-living person? The final element in period 7 of the periodic table, it was named after the Russian nuclear physicist (born 1933) whose team first synthesized the element in 2002, at the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research near Moscow.                                                                                                                      | <u>Oganesson</u><br>(named after Yuri Oganessian)    |
| <b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2) | In tennis, a set is won by the first player to win how many games, provided they have at least a two-game lead over their opponent?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <u>6</u>                                             |
| <b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2) | Name the Dutch painter, a key figure in modern art, who abandoned figurative painting in the 1920s in favour of the abstract "grid" paintings which became his trademark? A co-founder of the art movement De Stijl ["de style"], he died in 1944, a few years after relocating to New York to escape the onset of World War II.                                                                                       | Piet <u>Mondrian</u> (born Pieter <u>Mondriaan</u> ) |
| <b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3) | Debuting on the Irish kids' TV show <i>Dempsey's Den</i> in 1987, the anarchic alien puppet duo Zig and Zag later found fame outside of Ireland, via what early morning UK TV show broadcast on Channel 4, on which they appeared regularly between 1992 and 1998?                                                                                                                                                     | The <u>Big Breakfast</u>                             |
| <b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3) | Since 2021, multiple American TV gameshows on the Fox network have been filmed in Ireland, due to generous tax credits and readily available production facilities and crew. One example is quiz show <i>The Floor</i> , which debuted in 2024 and is hosted by what actor: a member of the 80s "Brat Pack" also well-known for his roles in TV shows such as <i>The West Wing</i> and <i>Parks &amp; Recreation</i> ? | Rob <u>Lowe</u>                                      |
| <b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4) | In both the UK and Irish singles charts, Aretha Franklin's second-biggest hit of the 1980s was what duet with Eurythmics, which reached the Top 10 in both countries in 1985?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <u>Sisters Are Doin' It for Themselves</u>           |
| <b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4) | In a game of darts, with a score of 87 remaining, one way of checking out with just two darts would be to throw a treble 17, followed by a double of what number?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <u>18</u>                                            |

## Round 2 - Team

Team A to pick a topic first

Team B to pick a topic second

## Round 3 - Individual

| Question                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Answer                               |
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| <b>Q1a</b> (Team B Person 1) With a population of roughly 250,000, Bushrod Island is the most populous island in what African country? Part of this country's capital city, the island is separated from the mainland by Stockton Creek, a narrow tidal channel that connects the St. Paul and Mesurado rivers.                                                                                        | <u>Liberia</u>                       |
| <b>Q1b</b> (Team A Person 1) The shortest papal reign in history occurred in September 1590, when the seventh pope with what name ruled for only 13 days before dying of malaria? A total of 8 popes have taken this papal name, the most recent in 1623.                                                                                                                                              | <u>Urban</u>                         |
| <b>Q2a</b> (Team B Person 2) Founded in 1879, what is Ireland's oldest football club? Currently in the NIFL Premiership, this Belfast club's home ground is called Solitude, after an 18th century manor house that once stood on the site of the stadium.                                                                                                                                             | <u>Cliftonville</u>                  |
| <b>Q2b</b> (Team A Person 2) What alliteratively-named Romanian-born actor plays the similarly alliterative character Bucky Barnes (a.k.a. The Winter Soldier) in the Marvel Cinematic Universe - most recently the movie <i>Thunderbolts</i> , released earlier this month?                                                                                                                           | Sebastian <u>Stan</u>                |
| <b>Q3a</b> (Team B Person 3) Lasting from 1455 to 1487, what overall name is usually given to the series of conflicts fought between the House of York and the House of Lancaster for control of the English throne?                                                                                                                                                                                   | The <u>Wars of the Roses</u>         |
| <b>Q3b</b> (Team A Person 3) The so-called "Trump effect" has negatively impacted right-leaning parties in multiple countries. Name the Conservative leader who had been favoured in polls to win the recent Canadian federal election, but not only saw bitter rivals the Liberals retain power, he also lost his own seat – the first time this had ever happened to an Opposition Leader in Canada? | Pierre <u>Poilievre</u> ["polly-ev"] |
| <b>Q4a</b> (Team B Person 4) With the initials "BB", what location in Sydney is arguably Australia's most famous seafront and one of the most visited tourist sites in the country?                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <u>Bondi Beach</u>                   |
| <b>Q4b</b> (Team A Person 4) The railway station in which Irish county town is named after Seán Mac Diarmada (a.k.a Seán McDermott), one of the revolutionary leaders executed by the British for his part in the 1916 Easter Rising?                                                                                                                                                                  | <u>Sligo</u>                         |

#### **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>                                     |
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| <b>Q1a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>1</b> ) | With the initials "BB", where in Sydney did Captain Cook first set foot on the Australian mainland in 1770? This coastal location is referenced in the lyrics of the classic Irish song <i>The Fields of Athenry</i> , since it was also the site of the earliest Australian penal colony.                                                                         | <b><u>Botany Bay</u></b>                          |
| <b>Q1b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>1</b> ) | In tennis, a game is won by the first player to win how many points, provided they have at least a two-point lead over their opponent? (For the purposes of this question, the traditional scoring call of "15" is equal to one point, for example)                                                                                                                | <b><u>4</u></b>                                   |
| <b>Q2a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>2</b> ) | Another pioneer of modern art who died in 1944 was what Russian painter, one of the co-founders of the Blue Rider group of artists in 1911? Around this time, he abandoned figurative painting in favour of the highly detailed and colourful abstract compositions which were to become his trademark.                                                            | Wassily <b><u>Kandinsky</u></b>                   |
| <b>Q2b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>2</b> ) | Also created and voiced by Ciaran Morrison and Mick O'Hara (the pair behind Zig and Zag), what sinister pair of red-haired puppet brothers first appeared on Irish kids' TV show <i>The Den</i> in the 1990s but later found fame outside of children's TV, via their series <i>A Scare At Bedtime</i> , broadcast late at night on RTÉ Two between 1997 and 2006? | <b><u>Podge and Rodge</u></b>                     |
| <b>Q3a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>3</b> ) | With a population of roughly 1.8 million, Bhola Island is the most populous island in what Asian country? Located some 100 km from this country's capital, the island sits at the mouth of the Meghna River and is separated from the mainland by the Tentulia river, a tributary of the Meghna.                                                                   | <b><u>Bangladesh</u></b>                          |
| <b>Q3b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>3</b> ) | What alliteratively-named Chilean-born actor is about to play the similarly alliterative character Reed Richards (a.k.a. Mr. Fantastic) in the Marvel Cinematic Universe – starting with the upcoming <i>Fantastic Four</i> movie, due out in July?                                                                                                                | Pedro <b><u>Pascal</u></b>                        |
| <b>Q4a</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>4</b> ) | Just over a mile from Solitude as the crow flies, Seaview is the home ground of what NIFL Premiership team? Founded in 1898, this club contests the North Belfast derby with Cliftonville.                                                                                                                                                                         | <b><u>Crusaders</u></b>                           |
| <b>Q4b</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>4</b> ) | The second-shortest papal reign in history occurred in April 896, when the sixth pope with what name ruled for only 15 days before dying of unconfirmed causes? A total of 9 popes have taken this papal name, the most recent in 1389.                                                                                                                            | <b><u>Boniface</u></b><br>[" <i>bon-i-fuss</i> "] |

### **Round 6 - Team**

Team **A** to pick a topic first

Team **B** to pick a topic second

| <b><u>Round 7 - Individual</u></b>          | <b>Question</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>Answer</b>                                              |
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| <b>Q1a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>1</b> ) | Other than Dara Ó Briain, who is the only other person to appear on all 245 episodes of <i>Mock the Week</i> ? This comedian and actor is also known for his starring role in the BBC sitcom <i>Outnumbered</i> .                                                                                                                                                             | Hugh <b><u>Dennis</u></b>                                  |
| <b>Q1b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>1</b> ) | Another of Fox's American TV gameshows currently filmed in Ireland is <i>Next Level Chef</i> , a cooking competition which debuted in 2022 and is hosted by what British celebrity chef and restaurateur? This man first came to fame on the 1999 ITV mini-series <i>Boiling Point</i> , which offered a fly-on-the wall view as he opened his namesake restaurant in London. | Gordon <b><u>Ramsay</u></b>                                |
| <b>Q2a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>2</b> ) | The railway station in which Irish county town is named after Michael O'Hanrahan, another of the republican rebels executed for his part in the 1916 Easter Rising?                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b><u>Wexford</u></b>                                      |
| <b>Q2b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>2</b> ) | What is the only other element on the periodic table to have been named after a then-living person? Element 106 was so named after the Nobel-winning American nuclear physicist (1912-1999) whose team in Berkeley, California were the first to synthesize the element in 1974.                                                                                              | <b><u>Seaborgium</u></b><br>(named after Glenn T. Seaborg) |
| <b>Q3a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>3</b> ) | In both the UK and Irish singles charts, Aretha Franklin's biggest hit of the 1980s was what duet with George Michael, which reached Number 1 in both countries in 1987?                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b><u>I Knew You Were Waiting</u></b> (For Me)             |
| <b>Q3b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>3</b> ) | In a game of darts, with a score of 81 remaining, one way of checking out with just two darts would be to throw a treble 19, followed by a double of what number?                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b><u>12</u></b>                                           |
| <b>Q4a</b> (Team <b>B</b> Person <b>4</b> ) | Another victim of the "Trump effect": name the centre-right Liberal Party leader who had been favoured in polls to win the recent Australian federal election, but not only saw bitter rivals the Labor Party retain power, he also lost his own seat – the first time this had ever happened to an Opposition Leader in Australia?                                           | Peter <b><u>Dutton</u></b>                                 |
| <b>Q4b</b> (Team <b>A</b> Person <b>4</b> ) | Lasting from 1803 to 1815, what overall name is usually given to the series of conflicts fought between the French Empire and a shifting set of European alliances, partly fuelled by an effort to restore the Bourbon dynasty to the throne of France?                                                                                                                       | <b><u>Napoleonic Wars</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>                                                 |
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| <b>Q1a</b> (Team A Person 1) | In 2023, a 57-year old patient at the University of Maryland was the first human transplant recipient of a heart from what animal? The animal had been genetically modified to minimise the risk of rejection – sadly however, the patient died of other complications 2 months later.                                                                           | <b><u>Pig</u></b>                                             |
| <b>Q1b</b> (Team B Person 1) | In 1929, what German movie star was the inaugural winner of Best Actor at the first Academy Awards, winning collectively for his films <i>The Last Command</i> and <i>The Way of All Flesh</i> ? Arguably his most famous film role was the following year, when he starred alongside Marlene Dietrich in <i>The Blue Angel</i> .                                | Emil <b><u>Jannings</u></b>                                   |
| <b>Q2a</b> (Team A Person 2) | Conviasa is the flag carrier and largest airline in what South American country?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b><u>Venezuela</u></b>                                       |
| <b>Q2b</b> (Team B Person 2) | The largest of the so-called Platonic solids, what three-dimensional shape consists of 20 faces, each one an equilateral triangle?                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b><u>Icosahedron</u></b>                                     |
| <b>Q3a</b> (Team A Person 3) | In 1929, what American movie star was the inaugural winner of Best Actress at the first Academy Awards, winning collectively for her films <i>7th Heaven</i> , <i>Street Angel</i> and <i>Sunrise</i> ? Arguably her most famous film role was to follow several years later, when she played the female lead in the original version of <i>A Star is Born</i> . | Janet <b><u>Gaynor</u></b> (born Laura <b><u>Gainor</u></b> ) |
| <b>Q3b</b> (Team B Person 3) | Last week, it was announced that a 41-year old man in California had become the first ever transplant recipient of what human organ? The man received this organ plus one kidney in a pioneering operation intended to allow him to come off dialysis.                                                                                                           | <b><u>Bladder</u></b>                                         |
| <b>Q4a</b> (Team A Person 4) | The second-largest of the Platonic solids, what three-dimensional shape consists of 12 faces, each one a pentagon?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b><u>Dodecahedron</u></b>                                    |
| <b>Q4b</b> (Team B Person 4) | Copa Airlines is the flag carrier and largest airline in what Central American country?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b><u>Panama</u></b>                                          |

**Nearest-the-pin**

(only use if drawn after  
round 9)

How many athletes in total did Ireland send to the Paris 2024 Summer Olympics?

**134**

## **END OF QUIZ**

### **Spare questions**

(only use if necessary)

| <b>Question</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Answer</b>                   |
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| The 812 metre-tall Mweelrea is the tallest mountain in the Irish province of Connacht, and is located in which county?                                                                                                      | <b><u>Mayo</u></b>              |
| Named after a region of Switzerland, Toggenburger is a breed of what farm animal?                                                                                                                                           | <b><u>Goat</u></b>              |
| What is the four-word subtitle of the latest <i>Bridget Jones</i> movie, released in February 2025? It shares its name with a classic 1930s song written by Noël Coward, famously covered by Dinah Washington in the 1950s. | <b><u>Mad About the Boy</u></b> |
| First acceding to the throne in 1990 when his father was forced into exile, Letsie III is the current king of what Southern Hemisphere country?                                                                             | <b><u>Lesotho</u></b>           |

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## TEAM QUESTIONS

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### Irish Firsts

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| <b>Q1</b> For over a century after they were invented in England in the 1850s, potato crisps (or "chips" to Americans) remained unseasoned except for salt. That all changed in 1954 when Irish entrepreneur Joe Murphy invented the world's first flavoured crisps using what two key ingredients? He went on to found the Tayto crisp brand, whose best-selling flavour is still this pairing. | <u>Cheese &amp; onion</u>                                                          |
| <b>Q2</b> Born near Dromore, County Down in 1884, name the Irish mechanic and inventor who thanks to a 1925 patent invented what is considered the first modern tractor? His surname lives on as half of a well-known brand of tractors, the namesake company he founded having merged with a Canadian rival in the 1950s.                                                                       | Harry <u>Ferguson</u> (prompt on "Massey Ferguson", do <u>not</u> accept "Massey") |
| <b>Q3</b> In 1834, what is usually cited as the world's first commuter railway opened in Ireland, running 9 kilometres from Westland Row Station (now Pearse Station) in Dublin city centre to what suburban town to the south? The route is still in operation today as part of the DART commuter rail service.                                                                                 | <u>Kingstown</u> / <u>Dun Laoghaire</u> [" <i>dun leery</i> "]                     |
| <b>Q4</b> The first use of medicinal marijuana in Western medicine is credited to what Limerick-born physician, who observed its effects while working in India in the 1830s and subsequently brought a supply back to Europe? This pioneering Irish scientist was later knighted by Queen Victoria for overseeing the rollout of India's first telegraph network in the 1850s.                  | William <u>Brooke O'Shaughnessy</u> (accept <u>either</u> surname)                 |

### Banned by the Beeb

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| <b>Q1</b> The BBC's strict rules against product placement have led to many songs being banned from broadcast due to brand names mentioned in the lyrics. One famous example is which 1970 song by The Kinks, with the line " <i>you drink champagne and it tastes just like Coca-Cola</i> " being hurriedly re-recorded as " <i>cherry cola</i> " to circumvent the ban?                                                         | <u>Lola</u>                           |
| <b>Q2</b> Written by Paul and Linda McCartney as a response to the Bloody Sunday massacre in Derry, what was the title of the 1972 debut single by Wings? It reached No. 1 in the Irish singles chart but only No. 16 in the UK, after being banned by the BBC and other British radio stations due to its political message.                                                                                                     | <u>Give Ireland Back to the Irish</u> |
| <b>Q3</b> Birmingham band The Earthlings hoped to capitalise on <i>Doctor Who</i> 's popularity in 1965 with the novelty single <i>Landing of the Daleks</i> , but found the record banned by the BBC: not for copyright reasons but because of what sound, audible for a few seconds in the middle of the record? The BBC claimed that playing it over the airwaves might cause confusion for any maritime vessels listening in. | <u>SOS</u> signal / <u>Morse code</u> |
| <b>Q4</b> The record for most-banned musician is the English reggae singer born Alexander Minto Hughes (1945-1998), who performed under what stage name? He had 11 UK chart hits in the 70s, many based on traditional nursery rhymes but all banned by the BBC due to frequent use of sexual innuendo and double entendres. This stage name later inspired the name of an iconic British comics character, created in 1977.      | <u>Judge Dread</u>                    |

### Like Mother, Like Son

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| <b>Q1</b> | Perhaps surprisingly, King Charles III is only the second British king to succeed his mother as monarch: who was the first? This eldest son of Queen Victoria became king upon her death in 1901. Name <u>and</u> regnal number required. | <b><u>Edward VII</u></b> (seventh)                               |
| <b>Q2</b> | Following her assassination in 1984, Indira Gandhi was succeeded as Prime Minister of India by which of her sons? (First <u>and</u> last name required) Like his mother, this man met his end via assassination, seven years later.       | <b><u>Rajiv Gandhi</u></b> (first <u>and</u> last name required) |
| <b>Q3</b> | Best known for his frequent collaborations with director Wes Anderson, actor Jason Schwartzman is the son of what other Hollywood star, a two-time Oscar nominee for her roles in <i>The Godfather</i> and <i>Rocky</i> film series?      | Talia <b><u>Shire</u></b> (born Talia <b><u>Coppola</u></b> )    |
| <b>Q4</b> | A woman named Pamela and her son named JaVale are the only mother and son to have won Olympic gold: both doing so playing basketball for Team USA, at the 1984 and 2020 Summer Olympics respectively. What is their shared surname?       | <b><u>McGee</u></b>                                              |

### Future Countries?

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| <b>Q1</b> | Although unilaterally declaring independence from Serbia in 2008 and with that independence since recognised by the majority of UN, EU and NATO countries, what former province of Yugoslavia is not yet a member of any of those bodies and is still claimed by Serbia as part of its territory?                                                                                                                                  | <b><u>Kosovo</u></b>                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Q2</b> | With a population of 250,000, what Pacific archipelago voted overwhelmingly for independence from Papua New Guinea in a 2019 referendum and has set a tentative 2027 timeline for full independence? The archipelago is named after an 18th century French explorer.                                                                                                                                                               | <b><u>Bougainville</u></b><br>["boh-gan-vill"]                                                                                       |
| <b>Q3</b> | Hargeisa is the capital of what disputed territory in East Africa, which unilaterally declared independence in 1991? Hopefully it chooses a new name before achieving full internationally-recognised autonomy in future, since its current name is confusingly similar to the country from which it seceded.                                                                                                                      | <b><u>Somaliland</u></b> (do <u>not</u> accept Somalia)                                                                              |
| <b>Q4</b> | Western Sahara is the last African colonial state yet to achieve full independence. In 1975, Spain relinquished control of it to Morocco and Mauritania, which has been contested ever since by what left-wing nationalist movement? You can answer with the two-word name of the movement <u>or</u> the name of the republic they unilaterally declared in 1976, currently recognised by less than a quarter of UN member states. | <b><u>Polisario Front</u></b> / <b><u>Sahrawi</u></b> Republic / <b><u>Sahrawi</u></b> Arab Democratic Republic / <b><u>SADR</u></b> |

### Born in 1926

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| <b>Q1</b> | The 1954 BBC series <i>Zoo Quest</i> was the first of dozens of nature documentary series presented by what broadcaster, biologist and English national treasure, who celebrated his 99th birthday earlier this month?                                                                                                                                       | David <u>Attenborough</u>                        |
| <b>Q2</b> | Another 1926 baby still going strong nearly a century later is what director of classic comedies such as <i>Blazing Saddles</i> and <i>Young Frankenstein</i> , who joined the elite ranks of EGOT winners when he received an Honorary Academy Award last year at the age of 97?                                                                            | Mel <u>Brooks</u> (born Melvin <u>Kaminsky</u> ) |
| <b>Q3</b> | The title of the classic Pogues & Kirsty McColl song <i>Fairytale of New York</i> was taken from a 1973 novel by what Irish-American writer (1926-2017), who also wrote the controversial 1950s novel <i>The Ginger Man</i> ?                                                                                                                                | J.P. <u>Donleavy</u>                             |
| <b>Q4</b> | The record for most Emmy Awards is jointly held by Julia Louis-Dreyfus and what American actress and comedian? (1926-2021) Among her 8 awards were two in the 1970s for playing the main character's landlady Phyllis in <i>The Mary Tyler Moore Show</i> , and two more in the 2000s for playing Lois's tyrannical mother in <i>Malcolm in the Middle</i> . | Cloris <u>Leachman</u>                           |

### Unwieldy Titles

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| <b>Q1</b> | <i>How I Learned To Stop Worrying and Love The Bomb</i> is the subtitle of what classic 1964 black comedy, directed by Stanley Kubrick? Its more usual short title is also the name of one of the three characters Peter Sellers plays in the film.                                                                              | Dr. <u>Strangelove</u> |
| <b>Q2</b> | Topping both the UK and US album charts upon its release in 2016, <i>I Like It When You Sleep, for You Are So Beautiful yet So Unaware of It</i> was the second album by what English band, fronted by Matty Healy?                                                                                                              | The <u>1975</u>        |
| <b>Q3</b> | <i>[BLANK] and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day</i> is a beloved 1972 children's book by American author Judith Viorst ["vee-orst"] – the blank is filled by what boy's name? The full title was preserved in the 2014 film adaptation, starring Jennifer Garner and Steve Carell as the title character's parents. | <u>Alexander</u>       |
| <b>Q4</b> | Making headlines in 2022 when it topped the influential Greatest Films of All Time critics' poll in <i>Sight and Sound</i> magazine, <i>Jeanne Dielman, 23, quai du Commerce, 1080 Bruxelles</i> is a 1975 film by what Belgian filmmaker? (1950-2015)                                                                           | Chantal <u>Akerman</u> |

### American Leagues, Canadian Teams

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| <b>Q1</b> | <b>Note: For all questions, city <u>and</u> franchise name are required.</b><br>Since the Vancouver Grizzlies moved to Memphis in 2001, what has been the only Canadian team in the NBA? Based in Canada's largest city, this franchise's name was inspired by a species of dinosaur prominently featured in <i>Jurassic Park</i> , released shortly before the team was founded in the mid-1990s. | <u><b>Toronto Raptors</b></u>     |
| <b>Q2</b> | Major League Soccer currently consists of 27 American teams plus 3 from Canada: CF Montréal, Toronto FC, and what team from the Pacific Northwest? Founded in 2009, this club took their name from a defunct North American Soccer League team of the 70s and 80s, managed for a time by Republic of Ireland legend Johnny Giles.                                                                  | <u><b>Vancouver Whitecaps</b></u> |
| <b>Q3</b> | The Toronto Blue Jays are famously the only non-US baseball team ever to win the World Series, but which other Canadian team could have managed it in 1994, leading the NL East by 6 games until a players' strike forced the cancellation of that year's World Series? The franchise moved to the US in 2005 and is now known as the Washington Nationals.                                        | <u><b>Montreal Expos</b></u>      |
| <b>Q4</b> | Of the 7 current Canadian teams in the NHL, which is the only one never to have made it to a Stanley Cup final? This franchise was founded as the Atlanta Thrashers in 1999, before moving to Canada in 2011.                                                                                                                                                                                      | <u><b>Winnipeg Jets</b></u>       |

### Literary Heroines

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| <b>Q1</b> | The strong-willed and devious social climber Becky Sharp is the heroine – or more accurately the anti-heroine – of what classic 1847 novel by William Makepeace Thackeray?                                                                                            | <u><b>Vanity Fair</b></u>                            |
| <b>Q2</b> | Orphaned and forced to work as a servant by the cruel headmistress of her boarding school, 11-year old Sara Crewe is the heroine and title character of what classic of children's literature by Frances Hodgson Burnett, first published in 1905?                    | A <u><b>Little Princess</b></u>                      |
| <b>Q3</b> | Two perceptive and intelligent girls called Lenù and Lila are the protagonists of what series of novels by Elena Ferrante? Beginning with <i>My Brilliant Friend</i> (2012), these four books follow the two girls from childhood through adulthood and into old age. | <u><b>Neapolitan Novels / Neapolitan Quartet</b></u> |
| <b>Q4</b> | Investigating crimes in the fictional Californian city of Santa Teresa, tough-talking private eye Kinsey Millhone features in the so-called <i>Alphabet</i> series of crime novels by what American crime writer?                                                     | Sue <u><b>Grafton</b></u>                            |