

1. Just the ticket

Q1	One of the big stories of the past couple of months was the Oasis/Ticketmaster debacle which started with a pre-sale window opening a couple of days before general sale. Access to the was limited to those who answered your first question correctly. Who was the original drummer for Oasis?	Tony McCARROLL
Q2	Which 2 teams 2010 NBA Finals showdown saw courtside seats costing an eye-watering \$81,083? It is believed to be the most expensive ticket ever for a sporting event. BOTH teams required.	Boston CELTICS and LA LAKERS
Q3	In 2009 Guy Laliberte paid \$35 million for a ticket for a round trip to the International Space Station on a Soyuz TMA-16. Laliberte earned the price of his ticket as the co-founder of what internationally renowned performance group?	CIRQUE DU SOLEIL

2. Celebrity Co-Authors

Q1	Released in July, <i>The Book of Elsewhere</i> is a Sunday Times Bestseller co-written by China Mieville and which Hollywood actor who made his first motion picture appearance in 1986?	Keanu REEVES
Q2	Former US President Bill Clinton has co-written 2 books with James Patterson. The first was called <i>The President is Missing</i> . What is the title of the second?	The PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER
Q3	Which Basketball Legend co-wrote a novel entitled <i>Mycroft Holmes</i> with Anna Waterhouse? This legend of the game also worked as a writer on the 4th season of the <i>Veronica Mars</i> tv show that was released in 2019.	Kareem ABDUL-JABAAR

3. Go West

Q1	Westworld is a 2016 HBO TV series based on a 1973 film of the same name which was directed by the man who also wrote the novel on which the film was based. Who is he?	Michael CRICHTON
Q2	Which member of the Hemsworth family played the part of Ashley Stubbs, Westworld's Head of Security in the tv show? He was one of the few actors who portrayed their role on all four seasons of the show. First name obviously required!	LUKE
Q3	Another acting dynasty represented on the show are the Skarsgard family. Gustaf Skarsgard plays Karl Strand-Head of Operations of the parent company that runs the Westworld park. What is the company called?	DELOS

4. Controversial sports stars

Q1	What is the name of the cyclist who in 2006 was disqualified from the Tour De France after failing a doping test having previously been in the overall lead after stage 17? This cyclist's subsequent court cases and legal issues eventually led to the downfall of Lance Armstrong.	Floyd LANDIS
Q2	Which former NFL Quarterback was sentenced to 23 months in prison while an active player in 2007 for operating a dog-fighting ring out of one of his properties?	Michael VICK
Q3	Which former NBA star was banned for the remainder of the 2004/05 season for his role in the incident dubbed "Malice at the Palace" where he instigated a mass brawl that spilled over into the stands? Either his name at the time of the incident or the name he legally changed to while playing for the Lakers in 2011 is acceptable.	Ron ARTEST/ METTA WORLD PEACE

5. Wonder Walls

Q1	In what year did construction begin on Hadrian's wall begin? A two year error each way is acceptable.	122 AD (Accept between 120 and 124 as an answer)
Q2	What is the name of the turf wall built 20 years later in central Scotland that is also a UNESCO World Heritage site?	ANTONINE Wall
Q3	Caernarfon and which other town in North Wales have their city walls listed as UNESCO World Heritage sites? They were built during the reign of King Edward I.	CONWY

6. American Idols

Q1	Who won the fourth season of American Idol and in doing so became the first country artist to debut at no 1 on the Billboard Hot 100 chart with her song <i>Inside Your Heaven</i> ?	Carrie UNDERWOOD
Q2	Who in 2023 became the first Pacific Islander to win American Idol? He is also the first winner to have been born after the show's premiere in 2002.	Iam TONGI
Q3	Ryan Seacrest has presented all 23 seasons of American Idol but he did have a co-host in the first season of the show who quit after one season. Who was this co-host and stand-up comedian who also appeared in a season 6 episode of Friends as a character wanting to buy the same engagement ring as Chandler?	Brian DUNKLEMAN

7. Headin' South

Q1	It's that time of year again when a lot of animals migrate south to avoid the winter months but how well do you know the great migrators on our planet. Which mammal which has one of the longest terrestrial migrations on the planet has been recorded travelling as much up 4,868 kilometers in a year in North America? Of course we all know that this is just training for longer distance some people believe these animals travel on one particular night of the year!	REINDEERS
Q2	They are not the longest travelling species of mammal however which animal native to Eurasia and North America have been recorded travelling a cumulative distance of 7,247 kilometers in a year? A fictional variant of this animal is synonymous with a different night of the year.	Grey WOLVES
Q3	Which insect known as <i>Pantala Flavescens</i> completes the longest ocean crossing of any insect travelling from India to Africa?	GLOBE SKIMMER /GLOBE WANDERER /WANDERING GLIDER dragonfly (Prompt on Dragonfly)

8. They put the T in EGOT

Q1	Mel Brooks completed his EGOT winning 3 awards in 2001 including Best Musical for which show adapted from a 1969 film also written by Brooks?	The PRODUCERS
Q2	Elton John also has an EGOT- for what 2000 musical based on an Opera did he win a Tony for Best Original Score? A song from the show sung by Elton John featuring LeAnn Rimes reached no 2 in the Billboard hot 100 chart.	AIDA
Q3	Benj Pasek and Justin Paul recently became the fastest EGOT winners in history completeing the feat in 7 years and 7 months. For which musical that opened on Broadway in December 2016 did they win their first Tony and first Grammy awards? It includes the songs ' <i>You Will Be Found</i> ', ' <i>Waving Through a Window</i> ' and ' <i>For Forever</i> '.	DEAR EVAN HANSEN

9. Famous Advertisements

Q1	The recently deceased Toto Schillaci appeared in an ad for what Irish beer brand in the 2000's?	SMITHWICKS
Q2	Which musician who describes themselves as a "Heinz Tomato Ketchup" superfan appeared in an ad made 5 years ago where they go to a fancy restaurant and take out a bottle of ketchup when their food comes?	Ed SHEERAN
Q3	British actor Anthony Stewart Head is most well known for his role of Rupert Giles in the <i>Buffy The Vampire Slayer</i> but first came to fame for starring in a series of advertisements for what specific brand of coffee? Such was the popularity of the ads that Head and Sharon Maughan appeared on page 1 of The Sun the morning after the final ad aired.	NESCAFE GOLD BLEND (Prompt on NESCAFE)

10. A Classical Game

Q1	Who in 1992 wrote the anthem for the UEFA Champions League?	Tony BRITTEN
Q2	The song was based on what piece of music written by George Frideric Handel?	ZADOK THE PRIEST
Q3	The idea for the anthem came from the massive popularity of The Three Tenors concert that took place on the eve of the World Cup Final in 1990 and continued to take place on the eve of the following 3 world cup finals. Who conducted their performances at Rome in 1990 and Los Angeles in 1994?	Zubin MEHTA

11. The Northern Renaissance

Q1	What was the name of Jan Van Eycks brother who helped him create amongst others <i>The Ghent Altarpiece</i> ?	HUBERT Van Eyck
Q2	What school of painting in France was set up by Italians such as Rosso Fiorentino? It is credited with helping to create a durable national style of painting in France at that time.	School of FONTAINEBLEU
Q3	<i>The Hunters in the Snow, The Peasant Wedding, Netherlandish Proverbs</i> and <i>The Tower of Babel</i> feature among the works of which 16th century Dutch painter?	Pieter BRUEGHEL the Elder (Don't accept BREUGHEL the YOUNGER if said)

12. The Goonies

Q1	The Goonies (1985) is a cult classic produced by Steven Spielberg and directed by Richard Donner and a lot of its young cast have gone on to become huge movie stars. What future comic-book titan played the role of Brandon Walsh, the older brother of the protagonist Mikey Walsh in the film?	Josh BROLIN
Q2	The movie is based in which U.S state?	OREGON (city is Astoria)
Q3	Which prolific actress played the part of Mrs Walsh in the movie? A prolific bit part actress in such classic 80's and 90's movies as Die Hard, all 4 Lethal Weapon movies and she also played the mother in another cult 80's classic The Monster Squad. She was also married to director Robert Zemeckis from 1980 to 2000 and passed away in 2015.	Mary Ellen TRAINOR

13. Lets talk crypto!

Q1	What is the name of the new cryptocurrency venture that Donald Trump and his sons helped to launch last week?	WORLD LIBERTY FINANCIAL
Q2	What is the name of the company Sam Bankman-Fried founded that went bankrupt and led to him being sentenced to 25 years in prison on 7 counts of fraud?	FTX / FTX Trading Ltd. / "Futures Exchange"
Q3	What was the name of the then worlds largest cryptocurrency exchange that went bankrupt in 2014 having had approximately 7% of the worlds bitcoin stolen from it by hackers? The bitcoin had a value of approx \$473 million.	MT GOX / "MOUNT GOX"

14. The future DC Universe

Q1	The DC Universe is the new reboot of the previous titled DCEU which deals with characters created by DC Comics. What film director and now co-CEO of DC Studios is the creator of this new universe having finished his Guardians of The Galaxy trilogy at Marvel Studios in 2023?	James GUNN
Q2	Who has been cast in the role of Clark Kent/Superman in the upcoming first DC Universe movie scheduled for release next year <i>Superman</i> ? He was most recently seen in a supporting role in the movie sequel <i>Twisters</i> .	David CORENSWET
Q3	What is the name of the animated TV Series due for release at the end of the year that will actually be the opening project of the new DC Universe. Viola Davis will reprise her role as Amanda Waller from the Suicide Squad movies in this new series.	CREATURE COMMANDOS

15. East to the 4th most densely populated region

Q1	The fourth most densely populated region in the world is of course Hong Kong. On what day each year does it celebrate its independence day?	1st of JULY
Q2	Who is the current chief executive of Hong Kong having replaced Carrie Lam in 2022?	John LEE / John LEE Ka-chiu
Q3	In London they have Oyster Cards, In Dublin we have Leap Cards, what is the name of the transport cards used in Hong Kong granting people access to various types of public transport?	OCTOPUS Cards

16. Celebrity Grapplers

Q1	Which youtuber and podcaster and part time wrestler recently lost his United States Championship title to LA Knight at Summerslam 2024? It ended a 279 day reign for him with the belt.	Logan PAUL
Q2	Which MTV reality show star took part in a match at Wrestlemania 27 in 2011 at the height of her fame?	Nicole POLIZZI accept SNOOKI
Q3	Which US presenter and sometimes actress wrestled at Wrestlemania the following year? She is most famous for her work on the E! news and for co-hosting the 2006 Eurovision Song Contest held in Greece.	Maria MENOUNOUS