

Dublin Quiz League

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Season 10 Match 12 (23rd March 2026, 8:45pm)

Questions by Risky Quizness

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Start of quiz – Teams to toss a coin to determine A & B order

Round 1 (Individual) – Team A to go first

Q1a (Team A Player 1)	Argentina's longest land border is with which fellow South American country?	<u>Chile</u>
Q1b (Team B Player 1)	Peru's longest land border is with which fellow South American country?	<u>Brazil</u>
Q2a (Team A Player 2)	The prolific Belgian author Georges Simenon wrote more than 75 novels featuring which fictional detective?	Inspector <u>Maigret</u>
Q2b (Team B Player 2)	The not-quite-so-prolific Swedish author Henning Mankell is most famous for his 12 novels featuring which fictional detective?	Kurt <u>Wallander</u>
Q3a (Team A Player 3)	In October 2025, Paul Biya was re-elected for the eighth time as President of what West African country , a post he has held since 1982?	<u>Cameroon</u>
Q3b (Team B Player 3)	In January 2026, Yoweri Museveni ["muh-seven-ee"] was re-elected for the seventh time as President of what East African country , a post he has held since 1986?	<u>Uganda</u>
Q4a (Team A Player 4)	By what common name is the native Irish shrub <i>Frangula alnus</i> known? This shrub was once widely grown to be coppiced for charcoal production but is now more commonly seen in wildlife gardens and hedges. You can answer in English or Irish.	<u>Buckthorn</u> / <u>Alder</u> / <u>Paide Bréan</u>
Q4b (Team B Player 4)	By what common name is the native Irish shrub <i>Lonicera periclymenum</i> known? This fragrant climber still found in woodlands is a popular garden plant. You can answer in English or Irish.	<u>Honeysuckle</u> / <u>Woodbine</u> / <u>Féithleann</u>

Round 2 (Team) – Team A to pick first

(Please refer to Team Questions sheet)

Round 3 (Individual) – Team B to go first

Q1b (Team B Player 1)	Which Sean O'Casey play is set in Dublin during Easter Week, 1916?	The <u>Plough and the Stars</u>
Q1a (Team A Player 1)	Which Sean O'Casey play is set in Dublin during the Irish Civil War of 1922-1923?	<u>Juno and the Paycock</u>
Q2b (Team B Player 2)	Located in present-day Ukraine, what was the former German-language name the Habsburgs gave to the city of Lviv?	<u>Lemberg</u>
Q2a (Team A Player 2)	Nowadays the capital of Slovakia, what was the former German-language name the Habsburgs gave to the city of Bratislava?	<u>Pressburg</u>
Q3b (Team B Player 3)	Name the much-admired (and much-missed) bass player with 1980s indie pop gods The Smiths?	Andy <u>Rourke</u>
Q3a (Team A Player 3)	No longer part of the band and now operating with a rival outfit, name the original bass player with long-standing indie dance-pop giants New Order?	Peter <u>Hook</u>
Q4b (Team B Player 4)	Perhaps most famous for its ability to reveal the archaeological footprints of ancient structures, LiDAR is a remote sensing technology that can build up high-detail models of geographical areas from the air. What word does the "Li" stand for in LiDAR?	<u>Light</u>
Q4a (Team A Player 4)	SQL is a widely-used set of computer programming commands used exclusively to interact with databases. What does the "L" stand for in SQL?	<u>Language</u>

Round 4 (Team) – Team B to pick first

(Please refer to Team Questions sheet)

Round 5 (Individual) – Team A to go first

Q1a (Team A Player 1)	What English born, Irish-based author has been longlisted for the Booker Prize four times, and shortlisted twice: for <i>number9dream</i> (2001) and <i>Cloud Atlas</i> (2004)?	David <u>Mitchell</u>
Q1b (Team B Player 1)	What Irish author has been longlisted for the Booker Prize four times, and shortlisted twice: for <i>A Long Long Way</i> (2005) and <i>The Secret Scripture</i> (2008)?	Sebastian <u>Barry</u> .
Q2a (Team A Player 2)	At 527 metres tall, what is the highest peak in the Slieve Bloom mountains?	<u>Arderin</u>
Q2b (Team B Player 2)	At 792 metres tall, what is the highest peak in the Comeragh mountains?	<u>Fauscoum</u> / <u>Kilclooney</u> .
Q3a (Team A Player 3)	As part of its All-Ireland Pollinator Plan, the National Biodiversity Data Centre runs an annual event each Spring at a number of locations including Abbeyleigh, Skerries and Kerry to promote and celebrate which wild pollinating insects ?	<u>Bees</u> (Wild Bee Festival) - accept <u>honeybees</u> or <u>bumblebees</u>
Q3b (Team B Player 3)	What initiative promoted in Ireland by the National Biodiversity Data Centre and widely advertised in social media, is intended to encourage people to allow wildflowers time to mature and provide food for pollinators? You may answer with a hashtag or a description of the action which people are encouraged NOT to perform.	<u>#NoMowMay</u> / <u>Mowing</u> / <u>Lawnmowing</u> / <u>Cutting the grass</u> (accept any)
Q4a (Team A Player 4)	Name EITHER of the African countries that Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation Jack Chambers visited this month as part of the government's St. Patrick's Day programme?	<u>Senegal</u> / <u>Nigeria</u> (accept either)
Q4b (Team B Player 4)	What country in the Americas was visited this month by Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment Darragh O'Brien as part of the government's St. Patrick's Day programme?	<u>Brazil</u>

Round 6 (Team) – Team A to pick first

(Please refer to Team Questions sheet)

Round 7 (Individual) – Team B to go first

Q1b (Team B Player 1)	What medical term can also be used to refer to the act of maliciously inserting code into a database's entry fields in order to execute a command?	<u>Injection</u>
Q1a (Team A Player 1)	What term , a homophone of a specific hobby or leisure pursuit, is used to refer to a type of fraudulent cyberattack where attackers impersonate trusted sources to deceive individuals into revealing sensitive information?	<u>Phishing</u>
Q2b (Team B Player 2)	The Welsh singer-songwriter Green Gartside (real name Paul Gartside) was the front man of which 1980s pop group ?	<u>Scritti Politti</u>
Q2a (Team A Player 2)	The Scottish singer-songwriter Derek William Dick (known as "Fish") was the original front man of which rock band formed in 1979?	<u>Marillion</u>
Q3b (Team B Player 3)	What city was the original capital (and later joint capital) of the Empire ruled by the Habsburg dynasty? The city held this status throughout the Empire's history until its demise in 1918.	<u>Vienna</u>
Q3a (Team A Player 3)	What city later joined Vienna as joint capital of the Empire ruled by the Habsburg dynasty? The city held this status from 1867 until the Empire's demise in 1918.	<u>Budapest</u>
Q4b (Team B Player 4)	Romanian-French playwright Eugene Ionesco (1919-1994) is considered a leading light of which pseudo-movement or genre of dramatic art that emerged in the second half of the 20th century, partly as a response to the two cataclysmic World Wars?	Theatre of the <u>Absurd</u> (accept <u>Absurdist</u>)
Q4a (Team A Player 4)	Norwegian playwright Henrik Ibsen (1828-1906) is considered the father of which genre of dramatic art that emerged in the late 19th century, partly as a response to the preceding "florid and delusional" Romantic movement?	<u>Realism</u> (accept <u>Realist</u>)

Round 8 (Team) – Team B to pick first

(Please refer to Team Questions sheet)

Spare questions (Use only if needed)

Q1	The 2026 World Indoor Athletics were held last weekend in the city of Toruń, in which country?	<u>Poland</u>
Q2	Born in New York in 1912, what economist and Nobel laureate was best known for his work on both price theory and monetarism?	Milton <u>Friedman</u>
Q3	Which Italian region's capital and largest city is Ancona?	<u>Marche</u>
Q4	What rare breed of cattle , unique to Ireland, is now endangered with less than 250 cows registered? This breed can have either a black, red or roan hide, usually with a lighter stripe along their back after which the breed is named.	<u>Droimeann /</u> <u>White-backed</u>

End of quiz

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Satellites

(Satellites as in moons)

Q1	Which of the Galilean moons of Jupiter is the largest planetary satellite in our solar system? Roughly 1.5 times the size of our moon, it is also bigger than the planet Mercury.	<u>Ganymede</u>
Q2	Name the largest moon of Neptune? Unusually, it has a retrograde orbit (in an opposite direction to its parent planet's rotation) because unlike most satellites it did not form as part of the planet's evolution; instead being a captured Kuiper Belt object.	<u>Triton</u>
Q3	Which moon of Saturn, its seventh-largest, has an extremely large crater on one side, discovered in the 1980s, which from certain angles makes it appear strikingly similar to the Death Star from <i>Star Wars</i> ?	<u>Mimas</u>
Q4	With a diameter of 2500 km, <i>Oceanus Procellarum</i> is the largest of the so-called "Seas" of Earth's moon. In English it is referred to by what name , an incredibly inaccurate one given what we now know about the Moon's atmosphere?	Sea of <u>Storms</u> (accept any similar answer)

Joyce's Women

Q1	The wife of one of the main protagonists of James Joyce's novel <i>Ulysses</i> , what character's unpunctuated soliloquy comprises the famous final section of the novel? First or last name accepted.	<u>Molly Bloom</u> (accept first or last name)
Q2	Joyce picked 16th June 1904 as the setting of <i>Ulysses</i> since that was the date of his first romantic liaison with what Galway-born woman , who later became Joyce's muse and partner?	Nora <u>Barnacle</u>
Q3	Which renowned Irish author, who died in 2024, wrote the play <i>Joyce's Women</i> that was first performed at the Abbey Theatre in 2022?	Edna <u>O'Brien</u>
Q4	Although not featured in O'Brien's play, what other woman played a crucial role in Joyce's literary career by financing and publishing <i>Ulysses</i> from her Parisian bookshop Shakespeare and Company?	Sylvia <u>Beach</u>

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ISO 4217

(ISO 4217 is an international standard which defines a three-character alphanumeric code for the representation of currencies: for example, the US Dollar is USD and the Euro is EUR)

Q1	Currently much in the news, IRR is the ISO code for the rial, the currency of what country ?	<u>Iran</u>
Q2	On the list of codes no longer in use is the currency that was used in Ireland from independence until the introduction of the euro in 2002. What was the three letter code for that currency?	<u>IEP</u>
Q3	Since 1980, there have been 6 different codes covering various versions of the Zimbabwean dollar – the first 5 being ZWC, ZWD, ZWL, ZWN and ZWR. What letter follows "ZW" in the current designation of the Zimbabwean dollar, and what word does that third letter represent?	<u>G</u> for <u>Gold</u> (need both)
Q4	The code BWP translates to a currency whose name in the local language of Setswana means "rain". What country and currency does BWP refer to?	<u>Botswana Pula</u>

Proper Charlies

Q1	The historical Scottish folk hero and royal pretender known as Bonnie Prince Charlie – who would have been King Charles III if crowned – was a member of what British royal house , the same as his grandfather King James II of England?	<u>Stuart</u>
Q2	What kind of "Charlie" was a furry monkey puppet widely touted for sale on Dublin's Moore Street in the run up to Christmas throughout the 1970s and early 80s?	<u>Cheeky</u> Charlie
Q3	Charlie Smyth is the current placekicker for the NFL's New Orleans Saints. Before taking up American football, he previously played Gaelic at Under-20 and senior level for what Irish county ?	<u>Down</u>
Q4	Born in 1981, the English actress Charlie Brooks is best known for playing what character in <i>EastEnders</i> on and off between 1999 and 2022? First AND last name required.	<u>Janine Butcher</u> (also accept <u>Janine Evans</u> , <u>Janine Malloy</u> or <u>Janine Carter</u>) - first AND last name required

Breaking New Ground

(Many prominent sporting teams have abandoned their traditional home in recent decades for shiny, brand-new, often sponsor-named, stadiums. This round will ask you for the older stadium's names)

Q1	Before they moved to Emirates Stadium in 2006, what had been Arsenal's home ground for over 90 years?	<u>Highbury</u> Stadium
Q2	Before they moved next door to the Millennium Stadium (now Principality Stadium) in 1999, what had been the home ground of the Welsh national rugby union team for over 30 years?	<u>Cardiff Arms</u> Park / <u>National</u> Stadium
Q3	Before they moved to the Levi's Stadium in 2014, what had been the San Francisco 49ers' home ground for over 40 years?	<u>Candlestick</u> Park
Q4	Before they moved to the Metropolitano Stadium in 2017, what had been Atletico Madrid's home ground for over 50 years?	Estadio Vicente <u>Calderón</u> / Estadio <u>Manzanares</u>

Common Animals

(Four questions about species of animals with the word "common" in their names)

Q1	Named not after its frequency, but its preferred habitat on common grasslands, what butterfly native to Ireland is most recognisable by its colour? You only need to give the name of the colour as your answer.	Common <u>Blue</u>
Q2	Also described as viviparous (meaning it bears live young, rather than laying eggs) the "common" type of which cold-blooded creature is the only member of its class native to Ireland?	Common <u>Lizard</u> (prompt on "reptile")
Q3	Deceptively not the most common species of its subfamily, what coastal bird is only found year-round in lakes in the west of Ireland? Herring and Black-backed are two more species of this bird native to Ireland.	Common <u>Gull</u> (accept <u>seagull</u>)
Q4	With a name that means "grotesque figure" in Old French, what South American monkey's "common" variety is known for the white tufts of fur on its head resembling earmuffs?	Common <u>Marmoset</u>

The Shawns

(The culturally significant members of the Shawn family)

Q1	With the surname Shawn, what is the first name of the American playwright and actor best known internationally for his acting roles as Rex in <i>Toy Story</i> and as Vizzini in <i>The Princess Bride</i> ?	<u>Wallace</u>
Q2	One of Wallace Shawn's notable early acting roles was what cult 1981 film , which consists almost entirely of Wallace and one of his friends sharing a conversation over a meal in a Manhattan restaurant?	<u>My Dinner With Andre</u>
Q3	Wallace Shawn's father, the famously shy William Shawn, was between 1952 and 1987 the editor of which iconic American cultural magazine , founded in 1925 by the husband-and-wife journalists Harold Ross and Jane Grant?	The <u>New Yorker</u>
Q4	Wallace's brother Allan is an orchestral composer who teaches at Bennington College, a prestigious liberal arts college in what US state , less than 2 miles from its border with New York?	<u>Vermont</u>

Who's Next, Fred?

(A round on notable people who have been guests on RTÉ's The Tommy Tiernan Show, where neither the host nor the audience have any idea who each guest will be until they're introduced by the show's announcer Fred Cooke)

Q1	The first ever guest on the first episode of <i>The Tommy Tiernan Show</i> in 2017 was what Dublin-based singer , who later in the show played with his band Aslan?	Christy <u>Dignam</u>
Q2	What Liverpool-born comedian was a guest of Tommy's in March 2024? Bradley Cooper recently directed the film <i>Is This Thing On?</i> , loosely based on the story of how this man began his career in stand-up comedy.	John <u>Bishop</u>
Q3	In April 2021, Tommy interviewed what Galway-based poet and playwright ? She has published over a dozen poetry collections during her career, stretching from <i>Goddess on the Mervue Bus</i> in 1986 to 2020's <i>Pathogens Love a Patsy: Pandemic and Other Poems</i> .	Rita Ann <u>Higgins</u>
Q4	In March last year, Tommy interviewed which Louth-born scientist , currently the forensic program manager working to identify human remains recovered from the Tuam Mother and Baby Home site by linking them with living family members?	Oran <u>Finegan</u>