

QUIZWISE

40 General Knowledge Questions - Sample Quiz

Round 1 - Geography

- 1 What is the capital of Libya? **Tripoli**
- 2 Which English County used to be dived up into Ridings? **Yorkshire**
- 3 In which South American country is the Atacama desert? **Chile**
- 4 To which European country do the Faroe Islands belong? **Denmark**
- 5 In which ocean is the island of Zanzibar? **Indian**
- 6 In which Australian state is the area known as the Gold Coast? **Queensland**
- 7 The South American country of Surinam was previously known by what name? **Dutch Guiana**
- 8 Which US State is nicknamed 'The Last Frontier'? **Alaska**

Round 2 – Films and TV

- 9 Who played the title role in the TV series Boon? (Michael) **Elphick**
- 10 Which children's cartoon series centred on The Wonderland Zoo? **Hair Bear Bunch**
- 11 Who played the title role in the 2004 film "Alfie"? **Jude Law**
- 12 Who plays the part of Auntie Wainwright in Last of the Summer Wine? **Jean Alexander (NOT Hilda Ogden)**
- 13 What was the name of the character played by Russell Crowe in the film Gladiator? (first name will do) **Maximus**
- 14 Who was the first presenter of TV's Blankety Blank? **Terry Wogan**
- 15 Who played the role of Sheriff Brody on the 1976 film "Jaws"? **Roy Schieder**
- 16 The film 'On Golden Pond' starred members of which acting family? **Fonda (Henry & Jane)**

Round 3 - Literature

- 17 Who wrote the novels "Sense and Sensibility" and "Pride and Prejudice"? **Jane Austen**
- 18 Which author had the first names Thomas Stearns? **TS Eliot**
- 19 Who wrote the "Thomas The Tank Engine" books? (Rev W.) **Awdry**
- 20 Which Russian dramatist wrote the plays "The Cherry Orchard" and "The Seagull"? (Anton) **Chekov**

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21 The author Zane Grey is famous for which type of novel?

Westerns/Cowboys

22 In which novel does the ship the Pequod feature?

Moby Dick

23 Which fictional detective lived at 221b Baker Street?

Sherlock Holmes

24 Which literary figure had a horse called Rosinante?

Don Quixote

Round 4 - Sport

25 Which sport do the Minnesota Twins and St Louis Cardinals play?

Baseball

26 What is the name of Barcelona's football ground?

Nou Camp

27 On which racecourse are the 1000 and 2000 Guineas run?

Newmarket

28 Who won gold medals for Great Britain in both the 400m and 800m Woman freestyle swimming at the Beijing Olympics?

Rebecca Adlington

29 Who are the sponsor's of Rugby Union's Six Nations tournament?

Royal Bank of Scotland

30 On which race track is the Italian Formula One grand Prix held?

Monza

31 In which year did Virginia Wade win the Women's singles title at Wimbledon?

1977 (½ point one year out either way)

32 In which sport have Neil Adams and Karen Briggs won world titles for Britain?

Judo

Round 5 - History

33 Where did the Earps and the Clantons meet on 26 October 1881?

The OK Corral

34 Who was murdered by Ramon Mercador in Mexico City in 1940?

(Leon) **Trotsky**

35 Which English King built the Tower of London?

William 1st or Conqueror

36 The sieges of Kimberley, Mafeking and Ladysmith all took place in which war?

Boer War

37 How many of Henry VIII's wives were executed?

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38 In which year did Napoleon retreat from Moscow?

1812

39 Hibernia was the Roman name for which country?

Ireland

40 By what name was William Joyce better known during World War 2?

Lord Haw Haw