

Weekly 40 Question Quiz – Sample



Quiz Master: It is left to you to decide if you just require surnames or both names for people's names.

Anything not in bold is not required for the point and is simply extra information. Underlined means required for the answer, to identify it from a similar but wrong answer.

Accept gives an acceptable alternative answer.

Suggest 1 point per correct question unless stated otherwise.



1 Start with Five: 1 point for each Prime Minister identified to a maximum of 5 points

Excluding David Cameron name the previous 5 United Kingdom Prime Ministers

2 Gorgonzola cheese originates from which country?

3 To whom did nurses give a resounding 'Vote of No Confidence' at their annual conference earlier this month?

4 Which comedian is one of the new judges on ITV's 'Britain's Got Talent'?

5 Which 1993 film, starring Sally Field and Robin Williams, is centred on the Hillard family?

6 Who wrote the 20th century novels 'Brighton Rock' and 'The End of the Affair'?

7 What are Lady Day, Michaelmas, Midsummer Day and Christmas Day collectively known as?

8 Which female US singer reached number one in the UK singles chart in 1986 with 'Chain Reaction'? **Both names**

9 What nationality is golfer Charl Schwartzel, the 2011 US Masters winner?

10 **What's the Link:** What links the words flat, sour, corn and soda?

11 Which major event of the 20th century was referred to in Eire as 'The Emergency'?

12 Who played the character Mary Jane Watson in the Spiderman trilogy of films?

13 Which city is the venue for the next Formula One Grand Prix, due to be held on 8th May 2011?

14 In ballet how many basic positions are there for the feet?

15 What is the name of the former president of the Ivory Coast who was captured earlier this month?

16 What is the last letter of the Greek alphabet?

17 Alex James and Dave Rowntree are original members of which English band?

18 In which English county would you find the promontory Flamborough Head?

19 First airing in September 1986 which TV drama is now the world's longest running emergency medical TV programme?

20 In which book of the Bible does the story of the parting of the Red Sea take place?

**James Callaghan
Margaret Thatcher
John Major
Tony Blair
Gordon Brown**

Italy

**Andrew Lansley
Accept Secretary for
Health**

Michael McIntyre

Mrs Doubtfire

Graham Greene

Quarter Days

Diana Ross

South African

**(They are all types of)
Bread**

Second World War

Kirsten Dunst

Istanbul (Turkey)

Five

Laurent Gbagbo

Omega

Blur

(East) Yorkshire

Casualty

Exodus

- 21 **ANAGRAM** Find the famous novel from **APPEND CURE JEDI RID** **Pride & Prejudice**
- 22 Which Welsh actress has recently been treated for bipolar disorder? **Catherine Zeta Jones**
- 23 Which semi-aquatic mammal lives in a holt? **Otter**
- 24 What is the name of the gang that is led by J. M. Barrie's Peter Pan? **(The) Lost Boys**
- 25 Who managed the Beatles from 1961 until his death in 1967? **Brian Epstein**
- 26 A marathon is run over a distance of 385 yards and how many miles? **26 (Miles)**
- 27 In the Royal Navy, which rank comes immediately above that of a captain? **Commodore**
- 28 Which actor is usually misquoted as saying "Well, here's another fine mess you've gotten me into."? **Oliver Hardy**
- 29 The Bernese Mountain Dog originates from which country? **Switzerland**
- 30 **Double Trouble:** What is the real name of the comedian Frank Skinner? **Both names** **Christopher Collins**
- 31 The US sitcom 'Frasier' was a spin-off from which TV programme that ended in 1993? **Cheers**
- 32 During the 2011 English Grand National how many fences did the winning horse actually jump? **28 (2 were missed out on the 2nd round)**
- 33 Cavity Sam is the nickname for a character from which battery operated board game? **Operation**
- 34 Darren Hayes and Daniel Jones made up the 90's pop duo 'Savage Garden', but what nationality were they? **Australian**
- 35 Especially relevant to the Japanese at the moment, a 'sievert' or a 'gray' is a measure of an individual's level of exposure to what? **Radiation**
- 36 What type of creature is Blu a character from the current film 'Rio'? **(Blue) Macaw Accept Parrot**
- 37 The war chief 'Sitting Bull', who defeated General Custer at the Battle of Little Bighorn, belonged to which Native American tribe? **(Lakota) Sioux**
- 38 Caracas is the capital city of which South American country? **Venezuela**
- 39 Which actor, a former 'Doctor', appears on the new set of first class stamps issued this month, by the Royal Mail, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Royal Shakespeare Company? **David Tennant (As Hamlet)**
- 40 **In which year did the following events take place: 2 points for the correct year one point for a year either side.** **1973**
 Pink Floyd release the album 'The Dark Side of the Moon'.
 George Foreman defeats Joe Frazier to win the heavyweight world boxing championship.
 Glenda Jackson wins the Academy Award for the Best Actress for the film 'A Touch of Class'.
 In the UK the government announces that a three-day week will come into force on the first day of the following year.

TIEBREAK QUESTION

Not including Prince William's (forthcoming) wedding, how many Royal weddings have taken place in Westminster Abbey since, and including, the first in 1100?