

(1) Which king was on the throne in 1200: John, Stephen or Henry II?

John.

(2) Which comedy duo presented the BBC radio comedy 'The Now Show'?

Punt and Dennis.

(3) Which of these American states does NOT have a coastline: Connecticut, Delaware or Vermont?

Vermont.

(4) The name of what French newspaper means 'the world'?

Le Monde.

(5) Which of these seasons appears in the title of a Shakespeare play: spring, autumn or winter?

Winter.

(6) The Loop is a downtown area of which US city?

Chicago.

(7) The constellation the Plough is also known by which of these names: Charles's Wain, Henry's Wagon or Robert's Wheel?

Charles's Wain.

(8) On what island is the 'Tennyson Trail' footpath?

Isle of Wight.

(9) The rich dark fruit cake called 'black bun' is traditionally eaten in Scotland at what time of year: Burn's Night, Halloween or New Year's Eve?

New Year's Eve.

(10) In pre-decimal currency, how many half-crowns made a pound?

Eight.

- (11) James I of England, Queen Anne and Edward VII all married people from which country: Denmark, Netherlands or Germany?
Denmark.
- (12) Which Russian Tsar sold Alaska to the USA?
Alexander II.
- (13) What nerve is also known as the second cranial nerve: optic, facial or vagus?
Optic nerve.
- (14) What was the diminutive nickname of the British businessman Roland Rowland?
Tiny.
- (15) What musical term is used for an instrumental piece that suggests a dreamy state: impromptu, prelude or reverie?
Reverie.
- (16) Which former English Dynasty actress who died in 2014 played Patsy Stone's sister Jackie in 'Absolutely Fabulous'?
Kate O'Mara.
- (17) The Queen's birthplace in Bruton Street Mayfair is now (2015) used as what: Chinese restaurant, minicab office or strip club?
Chinese restaurant.
- (18) In what country does the Douro River flow into the Atlantic?
Portugal.
- (19) The website Twitch.tv is a live-streaming video platform where users watch other people doing what: cleaning, birdwatching or playing video games?
Playing video games.
- (20) Name the ten longest motorways in Britain? (Not including the M74 in Scotland, as southern part of it is the A74M)
M6, M1, M4, M5, M25, M62, M40, M3, M8 & M11.

(21) What is the more common term for a 'graphospasm'?

Writer's cramp.

(22) On a ship what objects usually hang from the davits?

Lifeboats.

(23) Loup Garou is the French name for which monster?

Werewolf.

(24) When it was first televised, which sport was nicknamed 'Coronation Street with balls'?

Snooker.

(25) What phrase, coined by Lewis Carroll, means a pleasant thing that is often promised, but never actually appears?

Jam tomorrow.

(26) Prison reformer Elizabeth Fry was a preacher in what religious group?

Quakers.

(27) The Ibex 35 is a stock index in what country?

Spain.

(28) What membrane surrounds the human heart?

Pericardium.

(29) The Bofors gun was named after a town in what country?

Sweden.

(30) What name is given to the day in 1992 when Britain pulled out of the European Exchange Rate Mechanism?

Black Wednesday.

- (31) Great Britain fought in which of these wars: Seven Years' War, Thirty Years' War or Hundred Years' War?
Seven Years' War.
- (32) The name of what Egyptian goddess means 'throne'?
Isis.
- (33) In 'A Grand Day Out', Wallace and Gromit travel to the Moon because they are desperate for "a nice bit" of which cheese: Emmental, Roquefort or Gorgonzola?
Gorgonzola.
- (34) A courting cake traditionally contains what fruit?
Strawberries.
- (35) In Norse mythology, what tree is referred to as the 'Tree of Life': Ash, Hazel or Sycamore?
Ash.
- (36) In 1957, who became the first actress to advertise a perfume product?
Audrey Hepburn.
- (37) What is the most reactive chemical element: fluorine, boron or vanadium?
Fluorine.
- (38) What kind of stringed instrument is a 'clarsach'?
Harp.
- (39) Which of the characters that Alice meets in Wonderland is always sobbing: The Mock Turtle, The Mad Hatter or The Cheshire Cat?
The Mock Turtle.
- (40) Name the ten one-word 2016 Summer Olympic sports with names ending in 'G' or 'O'? (Cycling not acceptable as split into 4 different sports, nor is & wrestling as split into Roman & Greco)
Boxing, diving, fencing, judo, rowing, sailing, shooting, swimming, taekwondo & weightlifting.