

- (1) Which of these drinks is made furthest north: Cognac, Armagnac or Calvados?
Calvados. (Normandy)
- (2) George III celebrated what jubilee in 1809?
Golden.
- (3) To be 'hornswoggled' is to be what: cheated, enraged or loathed?
Cheated.
- (4) Eddie Kendricks founded what Motown vocal group?
The Temptations.
- (5) The famous racehorse Desert Orchid has his ashes buried under a life size statute of him at which racecourse: Aintree, Cheltenham or Kempton?
Kempton.
- (6) The word 'album' comes from the Latin for what colour?
White.
- (7) Which of these explorers met Kublai Khan: Abel Tasman, Marco Polo or Vasco da Gama?
Marco Polo.
- (8) Ballard Berkeley played whom in the TV sit-com 'Fawlty Towers'?
Major Gowen.
- (9) Which of these words has changed meaning from describing a 'fine fellow' to describing an unpleasant one: brute, tyrant or bully?
Bully.
- (10) Which are the only two American states to end in the letter 't'?
Vermont & Connecticut.

- (11) Which US President's niece, Harriet Lane, acted as First Lady: James Buchanan, Martin Van Buren or William McKinley?
James Buchanan.
- (12) What was the first name of Queen Victoria's eldest daughter?
Victoria.
- (13) What is the closest European capital to the city of Malmö: Copenhagen, Oslo or Stockholm?
Copenhagen.
- (14) What New York opera house is the largest in the world?
Metropolitan.
- (15) Gifted by the Russian Ambassador to Charles II, what birds have lived in London's St James' Park for over 350 years: pelicans, swans or peacocks?
Pelicans.
- (16) Who composed a 1798 poem known as 'Tintern Abbey'?
William Wordsworth.
- (17) Which Irish dramatist wrote the line "We are all born mad. Some remain so": Samuel Beckett, George Bernard Shaw or Oscar Wilde?
Samuel Beckett.
- (18) In the Bible, Rachel died giving birth to which son of Jacob?
Benjamin.
- (19) Often mistaken for Lord Nelson, whose statue stands on top of a 42m high column just off the Mall: Duke of York, Earl of Oxford or Lord Liverpool?
Duke of York.
- (20) Name the last ten car makes alphabetically listed on the used car seller Cinch website in April 2026?
Smart, Ssang Yong, Subaru, Suzuki, Tesla, Toyota, Vauxhall, Volkswagen, Volvo & X-Peng.

(21) After the sun, what is the hottest body in the solar system?

Venus.

(22) What two-word rhyming phrase is another name for the house plant 'impatience'?

Busy-Lizzie.

(23) How many green triangles appear on the Jamaican flag?

Two.

(24) In what decade was the voting age in the UK reduced to 18?

1960s.

(25) In 2007, The Burning Crusade was the first expansion pack released for which online computer game?

World of Warcraft.

(26) How many cards are put in the envelope at the start of a game of Cluedo?

Three.

(27) What is Taylor Swift's middle name?

Alison.

(28) David Attenborough was the second Controller of which television channel?

BBC 2.

(29) Which English king was known as 'The Hammer of the Scots'?

Edward I.

(30) Who was Queen Elizabeth II's first Prime Minister?

Winston Churchill.

- (31) According to the Bible, after the flood which of these things did Noah have: vineyard, olive orchard or wheat field?
A vineyard.
- (32) Who was the first goalkeeper in Premier League history to score a goal?
Peter Schmeichel.
- (33) The flag of which country is designed to symbolise the Communist Party surrounded by four social classes of people: Cuba, China or North Korea?
China. (Big star surrounded by four small ones)
- (34) The Regent's Canal is named after which king?
George IV.
- (35) Which London thoroughfare takes its name from a town and the battle to capture it during the War of Jenkins' Ear: Portobello Road, Pall Mall or Piccadilly?
Portobello Road.
- (36) Name the five countries that boycotted last night's Eurovision Song Contest?
Spain, Ireland, Iceland, the Netherlands and Slovenia.
- (37) Roger Casement was one of the leaders of what historical event: Peasants' Revolt, Easter Rising or Newport Rising?
Easter Rising.
- (38) What word derived from Greek words meaning 'bad' and 'action', is given to the childhood impairment sometimes called 'development coordination disorder, causing difficulties in coordination & movement?
Dyspraxia.
- (39) Andrew Lloyd Webber appeared in what TV soap in 2008: Coronation Street, EastEnders or Hollyoaks?
Hollyoaks.
- (40) In the OED, name the first 10 five-letter words that end with the letters 'ARE'? (NO hyphens, apostrophes or with an initial capital letter)
Aware, blare, flare, glare, oware, phare, quare, scare, share & snare.