

- (1) What term is given to the milling process in which brown rice is converted into white rice: polishing, scrubbing or blanching?

Polishing.

- (2) What lizard has a name meaning 'ground lion'?

Chameleon.

- (3) In the US, the term 'double black diamond' describes expert-level difficulty types of what: climbing wall, water rafting course or ski slope?

Ski slope.

- (4) In what country was poet W.B. Yeats finally buried in 1948?

Ireland.

- (5) What is the smallest country by area to have hosted the FIFA World Cup: Switzerland, Uruguay or England?

Switzerland.

- (6) Who was the female member of the 60s group 'The Springfield's'?

Dusty Springfield.

- (7) Who is the only male player to have completed the tennis career Grand Slam in singles and doubles: Rod Laver, Roy Emerson or Fred Perry?

Roy Emerson.

- (8) What sensory organ is responsible for co-ordinating head and eye movements?

Ear.

- (9) What does the Latin phrase 'tabula rasa' mean: learned evil, before knowledge or blank slate?

Blank slate.

- (10) Which American rapper holds the world record for the most words in a hit song?

Eminem.

- (11) All fundamental particles in nature are divided into either 'fermions' or what: photons, quarks or bosons?
Bosons.
- (12) Who was the first US President to shake hands with Fidel Castro?
Bill Clinton.
- (13) In Egyptian mythology, what relation was the goddess Isis to Seth: mother, daughter or sister?
Sister.
- (14) What is the only sea turtle that lacks a hard shell?
Leatherback.
- (15) Who was British Prime Minister when Abraham Lincoln was assassinated: Palmerston, Disraeli or Gladstone?
Palmerston. (1865)
- (16) The name of what gaseous element comes from the Greek for 'acid former'?
Oxygen.
- (17) A Roman road called the Via Devana ran from Colchester to which other city: Chester, Lincoln or York?
Chester.
- (18) Which Saint from the British Isles was the son of a Roman called Calpurnius?
Saint Patrick.
- (19) On a dog, what part of the face does the word 'flews' refer to: ears, lips or teeth?
Lips.
- (20) Name the first ten National Parks to be designated in the UK?
Peak District, Lake District, Snowdonia, Dartmoor, Pembrokeshire Coast, North York Moors, Yorkshire Dales, Exmoor, Northumberland & Brecon Beacons.

(21) How is the convicted criminal Stephen Yaxley-Lennon better known?

Tommy Robinson.

(22) How many hosts of University Challenge have there been?

Three.

(23) The Islamic calendar is based on a year of how many months?

12.

(24) What company used the slogan "Where do you want to go today"?

Microsoft.

(25) The 49th star of the US flag represents which state?

Alaska.

(26) Ryan Crouser set a world record of over 23m in what athletics field event?

Shot put.

(27) Who was the second Roman Catholic to become President of the US?

Joe Biden.

(28) Which Australian city has the biggest Greek population outside of Greece?

Melbourne.

(29) What word for an inactive medical treatment comes from the Latin for 'I will please'?

Placebo.

(30) The word 'austral' refers to what compass direction?

South.

- (31) Polyphagia is an excessive desire to do what: eat, sleep or drink?
Eat.
- (32) In the Bible, who was the first man to plant a vineyard?
Noah.
- (33) Which of these actors only played Superman in one film: Christopher Reeve, Henry Cavill or Brandon Routh?
Brandon Routh.
- (34) Maleic acid is named from the Latin for which fruit?
Apple.
- (35) The adjective 'enteric' refers to what part of the body: intestines, incisors or iris?
Intestines.
- (36) A cohort is a tenth of what Roman army unit?
Legion.
- (37) What colour is a Special Air Service beret: green, red or beige?
Beige.
- (38) What is the most abundant metallic element in the human body?
Calcium.
- (39) What is the name of the parliament of Japan: diet, slim or fat?
Diet.
- (40) On the 1st January 2020, name the ten national capital cities of EU member states that have exactly six-letters in their names?
Athens, Berlin, Dublin, Lisbon, London, Madrid, Prague, Vienna, Warsaw & Zagreb.