

- (1) Which of these acts had the highest chart position with the song 'Always On My Mind': Elvis Presley, Willie Nelson or Pet Shop Boys?  
**Pet Shop Boys.**
- (2) A Formula 1 grand prix cannot exceed how many minutes?  
**120.**
- (3) Part of which national institution is based in the small Yorkshire town of Boston Spa: British Library, Imperial War Museum or British Museum?  
**British Library.**
- (4) Florence is the capital of what Italian region?  
**Tuscany.**
- (5) The US state of Utah has what nickname: Beehive State, Beaver State or Bison State?  
**The Beehive State.**
- (6) The coffee tree was originally native to what African country?  
**Ethiopia.**
- (7) In the human body, the hormone gastrin is secreted in which of these organs: liver, stomach or kidney?  
**Stomach.**
- (8) Which assassinated leader was the 20<sup>th</sup> president of the USA?  
**James Garfield.**
- (9) Moldovan, the former official language of Moldova, is virtually identical to what other tongue: Ukrainian, Serbian or Romanian?  
**Romanian.**
- (10) Which US Army general was nicknamed 'Old Blood and Guts'?  
**General George Patton.**

- (11) According to the 2011 census, what percentage of the people in Wales over the age of three can speak Welsh: 11%, 15% or 19%?  
**19%.**
- (12) What shipping forecast area was once called Heligoland?  
**German Bight.**
- (13) In what year was Shirley Bassey made a Dame: 2000, 2002 or 2004?  
**2000.**
- (14) The Great Orme in North Wales was known for the mining of what metal?  
**Copper.**
- (15) In the human body, antigens are substances that stimulate the production of what: enzymes, red blood cells or antibodies?  
**Antibodies.**
- (16) What was the first man-made object to leave the Solar System?  
**Voyager 1.**
- (17) Which of these fictional locations appeared in literature first: Candleford, Casterbridge or Cranford?  
**Cranford.**
- (18) What two words began Nelson's famous signal before the Battle of Trafalgar?  
**England expects.**
- (19) Which of these categories was introduced at the National Television Awards in 2014: Best Reality Show, Best TV Detective or Best Panel Show?  
**Best TV Detective.**
- (20) Name the ten most popular types of coffee in the UK in 2017. By 'type' I mean the way the coffee is prepared, so I'm not looking for the type of bean or flavour variations?  
**Latte, cappuccino, espresso, Mocha, ice coffee, Frappuccino, Americano, macchiato, flat white and café au lait.**

(21) Who was Tony Blair's first Home Secretary?

**Jack Straw.**

(22) How many Nordic countries are monarchies?

**Three.**

(23) The name of what drinks company is short for British Vitamin Products Company?

**Britvic.**

(24) Which fictional bear calls a snack a 'Smackrell'?

**Winnie the Pooh.**

(25) What nickname was given to Day 8 of the 2012 Olympics when Team GB won six gold medals?

**Super Saturday.**

(26) What bone in birds are two collar bones fused together?

**Wishbone.**

(27) What gas makes up around 30% of the Sun's mass?

**Helium.**

(28) What sport was the subject of the film 'When We Were Kings'?

**Boxing.**

(29) Who was the original presenter of 'Robot Wars'?

**Jeremy Clarkson.**

(30) Which Indian born singer has had 14 UK number one singles?

**Cliff Richard.**

- (31) Which Germanic people invaded England and settled in Kent in the 5<sup>th</sup> century: Angles, Saxons or Jutes?  
**Jutes.**
- (32) Which former Prime Minister wrote 'The Path to Power'?  
**Margaret Thatcher.**
- (33) Which group of elements is furthest right on the periodic table: Noble Gases, Transition Metals or Alkali Metals?  
**Noble Gases.**
- (34) The name of which South American capital means 'the peace' in English?  
**La Paz.**
- (35) Two-digit numbers ending with which of these cannot be prime numbers: 5, 7 or 9?  
**5.**
- (36) In singer Van Morrison's name, what is van short for?  
**Ivan.**
- (37) Which of these battles took place most recently: Bosworth Field, Marston Moor or Culloden?  
**Culloden.**
- (38) What was the title of the first album released by Michael Jackson?  
**Off The Wall.**
- (39) In maths, an obelus is a sign to indicate what: addition, division or multiplication?  
**Division.**
- (40) Name the first ten countries who founded the G10 financial group in 1962 to provide additional funding to the IMF and now known as the G20?  
**Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Sweden, United Kingdom and United States.**