

- (1) In what year did Erno Rubik invent his 'Magic Cube' that was later sold as the Rubik's Cube: 1954, 1964 or 1974?  
**1974.**
- (2) In the TV show originally hosted by Stephen Fry, what does QI stand for?  
**Quite Interesting.**
- (3) Cape Horn is the southernmost point of which continent: Africa, South America or Europe?  
**South America.**
- (4) A life-size bronze statue of which Hollywood star stands in Millennium Square in Bristol?  
**Cary Grant.**
- (5) The TV personality of the 1950s and 60s, Sir Mortimer Wheeler, was an expert in which field: ballet, food and drink or archaeology?  
**Archaeology.**
- (6) In yoga, the cross-legged meditation posture called padmasana in which each foot is placed sole-upwards on the opposite thigh, is commonly known by what English name?  
**Lotus position.**
- (7) The island called Vulcano is just off the northern coast of which larger island: Sicily, Iceland or Sumatra?  
**Sicily.**
- (8) When Sudan was split into Sudan and South Sudan in 2011, which country then became the largest in area on the African continent?  
**Algeria.**
- (9) The Prairie Wolf is another name for which animal: ocelot, vicuna or coyote?  
**Coyote.**
- (10) Which town in South Yorkshire has a leisure complex called the Dome, a football club with the suffix Rovers and a shopping centre named Frenchgate?  
**Doncaster.**

- (11) Shellac is made from which of these: coal mining by-products, sap from pine trees or secretions of insects?  
**Secretions of insects.**
- (12) When "Spend, spend, spend" Viv Nicholson won the football pools in 1961, approximately how much did she win, which was equivalent to over £3m today?  
**£150,000.**
- (13) 'First', 'Second' and 'Third' are examples of what: cardinal numbers, primal numbers or ordinal numbers?  
**Ordinal numbers.**
- (14) In the song 'Doe-Ri-Me' in The Sound of Music', which note is defined as a 'note to follow so'?
- La.**
- (15) In the world of rock and roll, which came first: electric guitar, 45 rpm record or transistor radio?  
**Electric guitar.**
- (16) In an English version of Scrabble, which is the only letter tile worth 5 points?  
**K.**
- (17) Which of these was NOT one of the Titanic's two sister ships: Olympic, Majestic or Britannic?  
**Majestic.**
- (18) Which horse won the Cheltenham Gold Cup three-years running from 1964?  
**Arkle.**
- (19) In which novel is the main character a soldier named Yossarian: War and Peace, Catch-22 or A Farewell to Arms?  
**Catch-22.**
- (20) Name the first ten novels written by John Grisham which were all published before the year 2000?

**A Time to Kill, The Firm, The Pelican Brief, The Client, The Chamber, The Rainmaker, The Runaway Jury, The Partner, The Street Lawyer & The Testament.**

- (21) The area known as the 'Balti-Triangle' with about 50 curry houses, is located in the south eastern part of which city?  
**Birmingham.**
- (22) What product was advertised in the late 1970s with the slogan "Watch out, there's a Humphry about" ?  
**Milk.**
- (23) In 2014, which singer made US chart history by becoming the first solo artist to have an album at the top of the Billboard charts in six decades?  
**Barbara Streisand.**
- (24) Which mainly coal fired power station situated near Selby in North Yorkshire is said to supply the UK with about 7% of its energy needs?  
**Drax.**
- (25) In which decade was the Budget Speech first broadcast live on TV?  
**1990s. (1990 - Chancellor John Major)**
- (26) In the TV drama 'Life on Mars', what is the name of the character played by John Simm?  
**Sam Tyler.**
- (27) Which former U.S. President once said "Well, when the President does it, that means it's not illegal" ?  
**Richard Nixon.**
- (28) A trapezoid is a plane figure with how many sides?  
**Four.**
- (29) From 1996 to 1998, the political journalist Andrew Marr was editor of which UK national broadsheet newspaper?  
**The Independent.**
- (30) Which website was set up in 2000, offering classified advertisements and community information aimed at Antipodeans and South Africans living in London?  
**Gumtree.**

- (31) Which of these is an opera by Tchaikovsky, based on a story by Alexander Pushkin: Queen of Spades, Ace of Clubs or King of Hearts?  
**Queen of Spades.**
- (32) What two-word French phrase translates as 'an accomplished fact'?
- Fait accompli.**
- (33) Tracy Marrow is the real name of which rapper and actor: Ice-T, LL Cool J or Vanilla Ice?  
**Ice-T.**
- (34) What is the title of the Beatles first film released in 1964?
- A Hard Day's Night.**
- (35) The condition hemochromatosis is caused by an excess of which mineral in the body: Calcium, Iron or Sodium?  
**Iron.**
- (36) In radio, what does the 'M' stand for in 'AM' and 'FM'?
- Modulation.**
- (37) The ramson plant is a wild version of what: chive, garlic or parsley?
- Garlic.**
- (38) Jake the Jailbird and Officer Edgar Mallory featured on the original board of which game first sold by Parker Brothers in 1935?  
**Monopoly.**
- (39) 'Inside Time' claims to be the "National Newspaper for..." who: watchmakers, Dr Who fans or Prisoners?  
**Prisoners.**
- (40) Name the ten present day countries of the fifteen that emerged from the breakup of the former Soviet Union that do not end in the prefix 'stan'?
- Russia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia, Azerbaijan & Armenia.**