

- (1) Which of these actresses was made a Dame first: Helen Mirren, Diana Rigg or Maggie Smith?  
**Maggie Smith.**
- (2) Bowman's membrane is part of what organ?  
**Eye.**
- (3) A tetra-decagon has how many sides: 14, 24 or 40?  
**14.**
- (4) What bone in the middle ear is joined to the eardrum membrane?  
**Malleus.**
- (5) In musical notation, a 'treble clef' takes the stylised form of which letter: A, D or G?  
**G.**
- (6) What classic horse race is run on Ladies Day at Epsom?  
**The Oaks.**
- (7) On which island would you find the historic Malson Bonaparte: Corsica, Saint Helena or Elba?  
**Corsica.**
- (8) In what century was the Bank of England established?  
**17<sup>th</sup>.**
- (9) Inventor Alfred Butts determined the letter frequency in Scrabble by analysing what: The novel 'Lord of the Flies', The Declaration of Independence or page one of the New York Times?  
**Page one of the New York Times.**
- (10) Who succeeded Norman Lamont as Chancellor?  
**Kenneth Clarke.**

- (11) The 'DC' in DC Comics originally stood for what: Dally Comics, Dynamic Comics or Detective Comics?  
**Detective Comics.**
- (12) What former motor racing circuit was built on the Weybridge estate of Hugh Locke King?  
**Brooklands.**
- (13) According to NASA, the difference between weather and climate is what: altitude, time or atmosphere?  
**Time.**
- (14) England was last declared a republic in what century?  
**17<sup>th</sup>.**
- (15) According to the dates on their beer labels, which of these breweries is the oldest: Guinness, Kronenbourg or Stella Artois?  
**Stella Artois.**
- (16) What guide to the peerage is named after a bookseller who died in 1822?  
**Debrett.**
- (17) In the 8<sup>th</sup> century, the Moors invaded which European peninsula: Balkan, Crimean or Iberian?  
**Iberian.**
- (18) In 'Through the Looking Glass', Alice starts as what chess piece?  
**Pawn.**
- (19) Hadleyville was the setting for which classic Western film: High Noon, Gunfight at the OK Corral or Shane?  
**High Noon.**
- (20) Name the six official languages of the United Nations?  
**English, French, Spanish, Russian, Chinese & Arabic.**

(21) What film company acquired Marvel Entertainment in 2009?

Disney.

(22) What is the fourth letter of the Greek alphabet?

Delta.

(23) Saturnism is another name for poisoning caused by which metal?

Lead.

(24) The fabric Hessian is named after a place in what country?

Germany.

(25) Babyland General Hospital in the USA where were which dolls lived before adoption?

Cabbage Patch Dolls.

(26) In children's TV what orbited Junk planet?

Button Moon.

(27) What UK city is on the river Lagan?

Belfast.

(28) What Coldplay hit was inspired by a phone book?

Yellow.

(29) Who directed the film 'Dr Strangelove'?

Stanley Kubrick.

(30) Linda Danvers is the alternative name of what comic book heroine?

Super Girl.

- (31) The Vestal Virgins lived in the House of Vestals in the forum of which ancient city: Athens, Rome or Troy?
- Rome.*
- (32) The Viking Way path runs north from Rutland to what bridge?
- Humber.*
- (33) Which of these deserts is in Australia: White, Gibson or Karoo?
- Gibson.*
- (34) Which famous Earl became Prime Minister in 1830?
- Earl Grey.*
- (35) The Romanian region of Transylvania belonged to which country until 1920: Bulgaria, Hungary or Serbia?
- Hungary.*
- (36) Which of Henry VIII's wives was queen the longest?
- Catherine of Aragon.*
- (37) In Greek Mythology what was Charybdis: Kingdom, Gate or Whirlpool?
- Whirlpool.*
- (38) Celia Johnson played Laura Jesson in what famous film?
- Brief Encounter.*
- (39) British astrophysicist Sir Fred Hoyle coined what two-word term in 1949: big bang, absolute zero or free radical?
- Big bang.*
- (40) Name the 14 American states with an Atlantic coastline?
- Florida, New York, Delaware, Maryland, New Hampshire, Connecticut, South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia, North Carolina, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island & Maine.*