

- (1) Who famously said "All political careers end in failure": Jeremy Thorp, Jeffery Archer or Enoch Powell?
Enoch Powell.
- (2) Oscar Wilde wrote "nothing that is worth knowing can be..." what: understood, remembered or taught?
Taught.
- (3) In 1938, which airline flew the first non-stop commercial transatlantic flight: Air France, KLM or Lufthansa?
Lufthansa.
- (4) Researchers on what TV programme are referred to as elves?
Q.I.
- (5) What is the heaviest gaseous element: argon, radon or xenon?
Radon.
- (6) On 'Desert Island Discs', how many pieces of music is each castaway allowed to choose?
Eight.
- (7) Emma Lazarus wrote a poem that can be seen on a plaque at what famous statute: Nelson's Column, Christ the Redeemer or Statute of Liberty?
Statue of Liberty.
- (8) During ancient and modern times, Piraeus has served as the port of which European capital city?
Athens.
- (9) Lady Jane Rochford was beheaded along with which of Henry VIII's wives?
Catherine Howard.
- (10) The Latin version of the 'Lord's Prayer' begins with the words 'Pater Noster'. What are the corresponding two-words at the start of the English translation?
Our Father.

(11) In what century was the Spanish Inquisition abolished: 15th, 17th or 19th?

19th Century.

(12) Which two actors have played Professor Albus Dumbledore in the Harry Potter films?

Richard Harris and Michael Gambon.

(13) Which of these golfers does NOT have an animal nickname: Lee Trevino, Craig Stadler or Jack Nicklaus?

Lee Trevino. (Super Mex)

(14) In 1910, which Asian country annexed the Korean peninsula?

Japan.

(15) Which of these is the name of a mountain in the US state of Washington: Bourbon Tom, Whiskey Dick or Rum Harry?

Whiskey Dick.

(16) Which King of Scotland was nicknamed 'The Red King'?

Macbeth.

(17) Dean of the Senate is the American equivalent of what UK parliamentary title: Father of the House, Chief Whip or Speaker?

Father of the House.

(18) In the shipping forecast, which sea area shares its name with a city on the south-west coast of England?

Plymouth.

(19) The Statute of Liberty arrived in New York from France in how many crates: 114, 214 or 314?

214.

(20) Name the first ten countries alphabetically that has a one-word name that ends with the letter 'A'?

Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bolivia & Botswana.

(21) What unit of currency is used in Iran, Yemen and Oman?

Rial.

(22) What word from the Latin for 'reward', means the amount of money paid for an insurance policy?

Premium.

(23) Which US President was dogged by the long-running financial controversy known as 'The Whitewater Affair'?

Bill Clinton.

(24) In what month was the Queen's Coronation in 1953?

June.

(25) In which country is the most northerly point of mainland Africa?

Tunisia.

(26) What is the single-word name for the solid figure that has six faces, eight vertices and twelve edges of equal length?

Cube.

(27) What George Bernard Shaw play is named after a legendary King of Cyprus?

Pygmalion.

(28) What sport features in the 2007 novel 'Amen Corner'?

Golf.

(29) In what decade did the 'Peanuts' comic strip first appear?

1950s.

(30) The Met Office is based in which English city?

Exeter.

- (31) Gorgonzola cheese is named after a town near what Italian city: Milan, Turin or Rome?
Milan.
- (32) The stamp collecting term 'OG' stands for 'Original...' what?
Gum.
- (33) In a game of Scrabble how many tiles have letters on them: 78, 88 or 98?
98.
- (34) In 1891, the Labour Party was created in what Commonwealth country?
Australia.
- (35) Which Australian state has the longest coastline: New South Wales, Queensland or Western Australia?
Western Australia.
- (36) The three bones in the human ear, called the ossicles, are the incus, stapes and what...?
Malleus.
- (37) What is the name of the main character in the TV police show 'Draught': Sam Thursday, Joe Friday or Bob Tuesday?
Joe Friday.
- (38) What are the only veins in the body that carry oxygenated blood?
Pulmonary veins.
- (39) Which of these monarchs ruled most recently: Edward IV, Henry IV or William IV?
William IV.
- (40) Name the last ten politicians to become Prime Minister of the UK without doing so at a general election? (List does include those who then won a later general election)
Boris Johnson, Theresa May, Gordon Brown, John Major, James Callaghan, Alec Douglas-Home, Harold Macmillan, Anthony Eden, Winston Churchill & Neville Chamberlain.