

Your ready made pub quiz! 53 tough questions.

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Here are fifty-three of our toughest pub quiz questions we have written and published in the first half of 2020, all packaged up and presented to you for free as a ready made pub quiz.

We have questions on General Knowledge, Science, History, Sport, Music, Film and more. There's questions for players of all ages!

The following quiz questions and answers are all taken from quizzes available **for free** elsewhere on the site, so please dig into [the archives](#) to find more for your next big quiz night.

If you're playing along on your own, we'll provide the questions without answers below. All answers are supplied with questions lower down the page:

Questions:

- 1)** Which trio of brothers released the song 'Mmm Bop' in 1997?

- 2)** 'Floreat Etona' is the motto of which British public school?

- 3)** Welsh band Catatonia had a 1998 hit with 'Mulder And Scully'. From which TV series did the song take its' name?

- 4)** Blathers, Charlotte and Fagin are characters from which Charles Dickens tale?

- 5)** The Battle of Killiecrankie of 1689 during the Jacobite Rising took place in which country?

- 6)** Named after the German neurologist who discovered the disease, which disorder of the brain causes premature senility?

- 7)** In Chemistry, which 'P' are long-chained molecules in which a group of atoms are repeated?

- 8)** Which British athlete won Gold in both the 5000m and 10000m 2016 Olympic Games?
- 9)** In 1800, the capital of the USA was transferred to Washington DC from which city?
- 10)** The Officer Training School for which branch of the British military is located at Sandhurst?
- 11)** Which country has the world's longest coastline?
- 12)** The historical novel Wolf Hall which won the Booker Prize in 2009 was written by which author?
- 13)** Which Australian cricketer was known as "The Don"?
- 14)** Abel Makkonen Tesfaye is the stage name of which act who released 'Blinding Lights' in 2020?
- 15)** 'Birds of Prey' starring Margot Robbie is based on which character from the DC Comics universe?
- 16)** Which Liverpool centre half became the first Estonian footballer to score in the Premier League when he scored an injury time winner at Burnley in 2018?
- 17)** Southwark is a borough in which British city?
- 18)** Whom did António Guterres replace as United Nations Secretary-General in 2017?
- 19)** Francis Crick and James Watson made which medical discovery in 1953?
- 20)** Which 1985 film directed by Joel Schumacher centres around seven Georgetown graduates?
- 21)** With which Cuban singer did Shawn Mendes team up with on the track "Señorita"?

- 22)** What does the Beaufort scale measure?
- 23)** Which city in South America was founded by the Portugese in March 1565?
- 24)** Which British-Italian engineer obtained a patent for radio in London in 1897?
- 25)** Which curly haired presenter of Channel 4's 'The Last Leg' and the 'Quickly Kevin' podcast is a well known Plymouth Argyle fan?
- 26)** What type of clothing is a Glengarry?
- 27)** In the phonetic alphabet what word is used to denote the letter K?
- 28)** Which country legend known for 'Island in the Stream' and 'The Gambler' sadly died in March 2020?
- 29)** Eric Carle wrote a series of children's books about A Very Hungry ... what?
- 30)** Which British monarch was the final ruler in The House of Tudor?
- 31)** Which English club won the FA Cup in 2014 and 2015?
- 32)** Which British band released the album 'A Rush of Blood to the Head' in 2002?
- 33)** Which western astrological sign is represented by the twins Castor and Pollux?
- 34)** Born Lee Gordon McKillop, which British comedian appears on the BBC's 'Would I Lie to You' and 'Not Going Out'?
- 35)** The buddy comedy 'Planes, Trains and Automobiles' stars John Candy and which other American comic actor?
- 36)** What type of vehicle does Robert De Niro drive in the title of a 1976 Martin Scorsese film?
- 37)** Which lead singer of the band Culture Club was born George Alan O'Dowd?
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- 38)** In the Harry Potter book series, which character is described as having a “wild, tangled beard”?
- 39)** 'Moonshine' was a slang term for which type of beverage?
- 40)** The common phrase 'down and out' meaning beaten is taken from which sport?
- 41)** Catherine Wheels and Skyrockets are types of what?
- 42)** In ballet, which 'A' is a move where the body is supported on one leg with the other leg extended directly behind the body?
- 43)** Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus became the head of which United Nations agency in 2017?
- 44)** Which Conservative MP became 'Leader of the House' in July 2019?
- 45)** Which BBC children's show gardens were famously vandalised in 1983?
- 46)** 'The Chronicles of Narnia' is a children's book series written by which author?
- 47)** Sandie Shaw won which European music event in 1967 with 'Puppet on a String'?
- 48)** How many minutes after a quarter past nine is ten forty five?
- 49)** 'Food Glorious Food' is a song from which British musical?
- 50)** In music, which 'O' is the interval between two notes?
- 51)** Which British athlete won the BBC Sports Personality of the Year in 2004 after become the country's first double gold medallist at the same games since 1920?

52) Which Irish actor starred as Thomas Shelby in Peaky Blinders and Jim in 28 Days Later?

53) Which is the largest planet in the solar system?

Answers:

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Hanson

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Eton

3) Catatonia had a 1998 hit with 'Mulder And Scully'. From which TV series did the song take its' name?

The X-Files

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Oliver Twist

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Scotland

6) Named after the German neurologist who discovered the disease, which disorder of the brain causes premature senility?

Alzheimer's disease

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Polymers

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Mo Farah

9) In 1800, the capital of the USA was transferred to Washington DC from which city?

Philadelphia

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The Army

11) Which country has the world's longest coastline?

Canada

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Hilary Mantel

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Don Bradman

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The Weeknd

15) 'Birds of Prey' starring Margot Robbie is based on which character from the DC Comics universe?

Harley Quinn

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Ragnar Klavan

17) Southwark is a borough in which British city?

London

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Ban Ki-moon

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Structure of DNA

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St. Elmo's Fire

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Camila Cabello

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Wind Strength

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Rio de Janeiro

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Guglielmo Marconi

25) Which curly haired presenter of Channel 4's 'The Last Leg' and the 'Quickly Kevin' podcast is a well known Plymouth Argyle fan?

Josh Widdecombe

26) What type of clothing is a Glengarry?

Hat or bonnet

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Kilo

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Kenny Rogers

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Caterpillar

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Elizabeth I

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Arsenal

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Coldplay

33) Which western astrological sign is represented by the twins Castor and Pollux?

Gemini

34) Which Tolstoy novel begins "All happy families are alike; each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way."?

Anna Karenina

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Steve Martin

36) What type of vehicle does Robert De Niro drive in the title of a 1976 Martin Scorsese film?

Taxi

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Boy George

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Hagrid

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Alcohol

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Boxing

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Fireworks

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Arabesque

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WHO (World Health Organisation)

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Jacob Rees-Mogg

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Blue Peter

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C.S. Lewis

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Eurovision

48) How many minutes after a quarter past nine is ten forty five?

Ninety

49) 'Food Glorious Food' is a song from which British musical?

Oliver!

50) In music, which 'O' is the interval between two notes?

Octave

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Dame Kelly Holmes

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Cillian Murphy

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Jupiter