

It Happened in September

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Hello! It's time for another Pub Quiz Questions HQ post.

Today we publish a bumper quiz of questions about events that took place in the month of September with answers for use in your next virtual quiz.

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Today we have questions on a range of subjects including, sports, arts, geography all connected to the month of September

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If you're playing along without an audience, we have provided this week's answers below:

Questions

- 1) The Great Fire of London ended in September 1666, but how many people died? a) 6 b) 60 c) 600
- 2) In September of which year did the terror group Black September take hostage and subsequently kill 11 Israeli athletes at the Munich Olympics?
- 3) Jochen Rindt died in September 1970, but in what profession did he become famous?
- 4) The Pilgrims set sail for America from Plymouth on the Mayflower in which year? a) 1610 b) 1620 c) 1630

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- 5) Against which country did South Africa declare war in September 1939?

- 6) Whose funeral in 1997 was watched by an estimated 2.5 billion on television as well as 1 million people who lined the streets of the funeral procession?

- 7) In the third Crusade in 1191 which English king defeated Saladin at the battle of Arsuf?

- 8) The International Criminal Police Organisation was formed in 1923. What is it better known as?

- 9) The Who's drummer committed suicide in 1978, what was his name?

- 10) The sculpture 'David' was unveiled in Florence in 1504, but who was the sculptor?

- 11) Which Apache leader in 1886 after 29 years of fighting finally surrendered in Arizona?

- 12) In 1948 due to health reasons Queen Wilhelmina abdicated the throne of which country?

- 13) 44 Spanish settlers founded which place when translated to English was 'The Village of Our Lady, the Queen of the Angels' in 1781?

- 14) Scotland's Forth Road Bridge near Edinburgh officially opened in which year? a) 1952 b) 1958 c) 1964

- 15) In 1870 the Third Republic was declared in France after which leader was deposed?

- 16) In 1888, George Eastman received a patent for his camera that used roll film and registered which trademark?

- 17) Edvard Grieg was a pianist and composer who died in Sept 1907. What nationality was he?

- 18) The maiden journey of the USS Shenandoah took place in 1923. What was special about this?

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19) Mark Spitz became the first competitor to win seven medals at a single Olympic Games, but which year's games were they?

20) Which two students founded Google in 1998?

21) In September 1752, Great Britain adopted which calendar almost 2 centuries later than the rest of Europe?

22) In 1901 at the Minnesota State Fair, which then vice-president famously said - 'speak softly and carry a big stick'?

23) The Japanese formally signed the agreement to surrender in September 1945 aboard which US ship?

24) In 1945, President Ho Chi Minh declared Vietnam's independence from which country, under the new name of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam?

25) Born in September 1913, Bill Shankly made 297 appearances as a player for which club?

26) Born in September 1965, Lennox Lewis, the last heavyweight boxer to hold the undisputed title of all 4 boxing organisations, retired in which year? a) 1996 b) 2000 c) 2004

27) Which Scottish engineer and architect who died in September 1834, designed the Menai Suspension Bridge?

28) Who was the French historian and educator who died in 1937 and founded the International Olympic Committee?

29) In 1189 - Richard I of England was crowned at Westminster. What was he also known as?

30) In 1650 during the Third English Civil Wars, the Royalist forces led by David Leslie, Lord Newark were defeated by the Parliamentary forces led by who?

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32) On which island was Barry Gibb born on 12st September 1946?

33) In 1991 Uzbekistan declared its independence from which state.

34) American Bobby Fischer beat which opponent in Reykjavík, Iceland in 1972 to become the world chess champion.

35) In September 1952 which novelist published the pulitzer prize winning novel The Old Man and the Sea

36) In 1715 which French king died after a reign of 72 years?

37) A coup in Libya in 1969, brought which dictator to power.

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39) Born in 1875, this author was responsible for the novel Tarzan and the Apes.

40) "Alfie", "Walk On By", "Do You Know the Way to San Jose" and "I Say a Little Prayer" are just a few of the hits that this lyricist, who died in 2012, had in collaboration with Burt Bacharach?

41) On 1st September 1939, Germany started World War II when it invaded which country?

42) Over a three day period 13000 houses were destroyed and 6 people killed in this catastrophic event in 1666.

43) In 1609 Henry Hudson was the first European to discover this most densely populated of New York's boroughs.

44) In 1822 Brazil declared independence from which European country?

45) On what date was the worst terrorist atrocity carried out against the United States when 4 passenger jets were hijacked and crashed?

46) In September 1953 John F Kennedy married Jacqueline. What was Jacqueline's maiden name?

47) In 1620 a small ship with 102 passengers set sail for America. The pilgrims finally set foot in Plymouth 3 months later. What was the name of the ship?

48) In 1810 Chile declared its independence from which European country?

49) In 1893 which Southern Hemisphere country was the first to grant women the vote?

50) In 1829 the first British police force was established in London. They became known as 'bobbies', why?

Answers

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Racing Driver

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Nazi Germany

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Princess Diana

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Interpol

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Keith Moon

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Michelangelo

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Geronimo

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Oliver Cromwell

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New Zealand

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They took their nickname from the name of the Home Secretary Sir Robert Peel