

## A Ready Made Quiz of 50 Questions

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A ready made pub quiz of rounds taken from amongst the many hundreds of rounds on the site.

Feel free to use 'as is' or mix and match with any others as you wish.

I have separated the questions and answers so that it is easier for you to play along yourself.

### Questions:

- 1) The 'Yorkshire Ripper' was arrested in January 1981 following one of the largest police investigations ever. What was his real name?
  
- 2) Why did the US president, Richard Nixon, sign a bill in 1974 restricting the speed limit for cars to 55mph?
  
- 3) Pete Postlethwaite who died in January 2011 starred as Danny Ormondroyd the conductor of the band in which film?
  
- 4) In 1941 German bombing severely damaged Llandaff Cathedral in which city?
  
- 5) Luna 1, the first spacecraft to reach the vicinity of the Moon and to orbit the Sun was launched by which country in 1959?
  
- 6) Born in January 1936 which American singer is perhaps best known for his hit song and karaoke classic 'King of the Road'?
  
- 7) In January 1777 which American General defeated the British General Cornwallis at the battle of Princeton?

- 8) In 1833 the British claimed sovereignty over which south Atlantic islands?
- 9) Which state was admitted as the 49th US State in January 1959?
- 10) US sprinter Jim Hines was the first man to achieve which world renowned athletic feat?
- 11) In which 1994 film does Jim Carrey attempt to rescue the Miami Dolphins' mascot?
- 12) Which British architect born in 1806 is best known for the original Thames Tunnel and the Clifton and Hungerford Suspension Bridges? a) Robert Stephenson b) Isambard Kingdom Brunel c) William Henry Barlow
- b) Isambard Kingdom Brunel
- 13) In a car, what does ABS stand for?
- 14) Which 'I' is an internet image sharing app purchased by Facebook in April 2012?
- 15) Lib Dem politician Paddy Ashdown was born in which country? a) England b) India c) Canada
- 16) 'HOMES' is a mnemonic for recalling the Five Great Lakes of the USA. Which lake does the 'S' represent?
- 17) Yerevan is the capital city of which eastern European country?
- 18) Which BBC television and radio presenter wrote an autobiography entitled 'Call the Midlife'?
- 19) Triton is the largest of the satellites orbiting which of the traditional solar system planets? a) Mars b) Saturn c) Neptune
- 20) Born in January 1925, which English record producer was often referred to as the 'fifth Beatle'?
- 21) Which dictator announced that he was taking dictatorial powers over Italy in January 1925?

22) Who sold his first revolver pistol to the United States government in 1847?

23) British troops were defeated at the Battle of Princeton in which war?

24) A gun battle in the East End of London left two dead and sparked a political row over the involvement of which Home Secretary?

25) In January 1959 what became the 49th US state?

26) Due to its nationalisation of American assets, the United States severed diplomatic relations with which country in 1961?

27) JRR Tolkien, author of Lord of the Rings was born in January 1892 in which modern day country?

28) Fran Cotton, born in 1947, is best known for playing which sport?

29) Burma gained its independence from which country in 1948?

**The following anagrams are all bands or artists who had UK Albums Chart number ones in the 1990s:**

30) Grips Slice

31) Rain Van

32) Tutu Bathhouse Life

33) Siberia Bow Mill

34) Hairy Camera

35) Thatch Arsenal

36) Pry Mised

37) Shoe Inspector

### **And finally a set of General knowledge**

38) Which Australian actor won an Academy Award for Best Actor in 1996 for Shine and Best Supporting Actor for Shakespeare in Love, and also played the elocution specialist in 'The King's Speech'?

39) Born in 1839, which 'PC' was a French Post-Impressionist artist who married Hortense Fiquet in 1886? His works include 'The Bather' and 'The Lake at Annecy'.

40) Who played boxer Muhammed Ali in the 2001 biopic 'Ali'?

41) On the road, ANPR might automatically detect and read your what?

42) Which athlete won gold in both the Men's 100m and 200m sprint events at the 2016 Olympic Games?

43) What did Ralph Scheider invent in 1950? a) Credit Card b) Mobile Phone c) Electric Battery

44) Chardonnay, Malaga and Merlot are all types of which fruit?

45) The name for which foodstuff was coined by John Montagu, born 1718, who demanded easy to consume food so as not to interfere with his gambling?

46) Igneous, Sedimentary and Metamorphic are all types of what?

47) Baku is the capital city of which eastern European country?

48) Actress Isla Fisher is married to which actor, comedian and film producer?

49) Naturalized Australian who won the British Heavyweight boxing title who when he moved to Australia adopted the nickname 'Aussie Joe'

50) The Nutshell pub in Bury St. Edmunds holds which distinction?

### **Answers:**

1) The 'Yorkshire Ripper' was arrested in January 1981 following one of the largest police investigations ever. What was his real name?

**Peter Sutcliffe**

2) Why did the US president, Richard Nixon, sign a bill in 1974 restricting the speed limit for cars to 55mph?

**To conserve fuel during an OPEC embargo**

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**Brassed Off**

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**Cardiff**

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**Soviet Union**

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**Roger Miller**

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**General George Washington**

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**The Falklands**

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**Alaska**

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**First man to run 100m under 10 seconds**

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**Ace Ventura, Pet Detective**

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**b) Isambard Kingdom Brunel**

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**Anti-lock Breaking System**

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**Instagram**

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**b) India**

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**Superior**

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**Armenia**

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**Chris Evans**

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**c) Neptune**

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**Sir George Henry Martin**

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**Benito Mussolini**

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**Samuel Colt**

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**American Revolutionary War (American War of Independence)**

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**Winston Churchill.**

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**Alaska**

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**Cuba**

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**South Africa**

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**Rugby Union**

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**Great Britain**

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**Robbie Williams**

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**Mariah Carey**



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**The Charlatans**

36) Pry Misled

**Simply Red**

37) Shoe Inspector

**Stereophonics**

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**Geoffrey Rush**

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**Paul Cezanne**

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**Will Smith**

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**Number plate**

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**Usain Bolt**

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**a) Credit Card**

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**Grape**

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**Sandwich (He was the 4th Earl of Sandwich)**

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**Rock**

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**Azerbaijan**

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**Smallest pub in Britain**