

It Happened in May Quiz (Round 6)

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Welcome to our latest round of questions related to events that happened in the month of May. As always all our quizzes are completely free to use. Please explore our other categories as I'm sure we will have questions for all your needs. If you find the site useful then please consider supporting us by buying a coffee - link in heading. All contributions go towards keeping the site free and updated. Thanks

Questions

- 1) Which author was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for his novel 'The Grapes of Wrath' in 1940?
- 2) In May 1954, Roger Bannister became the first person to do what?
- 3) The Channel Tunnel was officially opened in May of which year?
- 4) In May 1910 who became king on the death of his father Edward VII?
- 5) Which airship burst into flames killing 36 people whilst attempting to dock in New Jersey in 1937?
- 6) Who was the author of 'The Wonderful Wizard of Oz' who died in May 1919?
- 7) Which king began the construction of the Palace of Versailles in 1664?
- 8) Which country's forces were defeated at the Battle of Dien Bien Phu in 1954?
- 9) In 1994 which painting by Edvard Munch was recovered undamaged after previously being stolen?
- 10) Who was the former World No 1 golfer who won five major championships in his career as well as helping the European Ryder Cup team to five victories as player or captain, who died in 2011 aged only 54.

Answers

1) Which author was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for his novel 'The Grapes of Wrath' in 1940?

John Steinbeck

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Run a mile in under 4 minutes

3) The Channel Tunnel was officially opened in May of which year?

1994

4) In May 1910 who became king on the death of his father Edward VII?

George V

5) Which airship burst into flames killing 36 people whilst attempting to dock in New Jersey in 1937?

Hindenburg

6) Who was the author of 'The Wonderful Wizard of Oz' who died in May 1919?

L Frank Baum

7) Which king began the construction of the Palace of Versailles in 1664?

Louis XIV

8) Which country's forces were defeated at the Battle of Dien Bien Phu in 1954?

France

9) In 1994 which painting by Edvard Munch was recovered undamaged after previously being stolen?

The Scream

10) Who was the former World No 1 golfer who won five major championships in his career as well as helping the European Ryder Cup team to five victories as player or captain, who died in 2011 aged only 54.

Severiano Ballesteros