

Ten by Ten Quiz – Answers

Thank you to all those who took part in this quiz. I hope you enjoyed doing it even if some of you had to rack your brains a little harder than normal. Here are the answers:

Films – Which movies begin with the opening lines...?

1. “She isn’t coming yet, Toto” – **The Wizard of Oz** (Dorothy speaking to her dog)
2. “I never knew the old Vienna, before the war.” – **The Third Man**
3. “I owe everything to George Bailey. Help him, dear Father.” – **It’s A Wonderful Life**
4. “Did you hear that? They shut down the main reactor. We’ll be destroyed for sure.” – **Star Wars** (C3PO panicking as usual)
5. “Radar!” – **M*A*S*H** (Colonel Blake summoning Corporal O’Reilly)
6. “Rosebud.” – **Citizen Kane** (whose final dying word begins the film)
7. “Choose Life. Choose a job. Choose a career. Choose a family.” – **Trainspotting** (I stopped quoting before reaching the f-word)
8. “Here you are, sir, Main level D.” – **2001 A Space Odyssey** (after a long section about a tribe of apes and a not-quite-so-long spaceship docking sequence the first words are very banal and spoken by a stewardess)
9. “He was the most extraordinary man I ever knew.” – **Lawrence of Arabia**
10. “The white zone is for immediate loading and unloading of passengers only.” – **Airplane!** (the opening salvo of a running gag where the announcers argue with each other)

Geography – In which country would you find...?

11. The Sphinx – near the pyramids in **Egypt**
12. The terracotta army – the life-size clay soldiers are in **China**
13. The Nasca Lines – a series of huge ancient designs on the landscape in **Peru**
14. Wenceslas Square – Prague in the **Czech Republic** (named after the saintly monarch)
15. Timbuktu – a city in **Mali**
16. The world’s tallest waterfall – Angel Falls in **Venezuela**
17. Mount Kosciuszko – the highest mountain in **Australia**
18. Treetops Hotel – **Kenya** (where Princess Elizabeth became Queen Elizabeth II)
19. The first landfall if sailing due West from Land’s End, Cornwall – Newfoundland, **Canada**
20. The first landfall if sailing due East from the Falkland Islands – there is no land on the same latitude until you sail almost the entire way round the world and reach **Chile** (There is some dispute over whether you would hit the Campbell Islands, belonging to New Zealand, but as best as I can judge the Falkland Islands are all above latitude 52 degrees 30 minutes South and the Campbell Islands all below that latitude.)

Quotations – Can you identify these well-known phrases when most words have been reduced to an initial letter?

21. T b g where n m h g b – **“To boldly go where no man has gone before”** (Star Trek)
22. A now f s c d – **“And now for something completely different”** (Monty Python)
23. T t own s b t – **“To thine own self be true”** (Polonius to Laertes, in *Hamlet*)

24. I t t i t b o a beautiful f – “**I thing this is the beginning of a beautiful friendship**” (Rick to Louis, the last line of *Casablanca*)
25. N t s y t see y n – “**Nice to see you, to see you nice**” (Bruce Forsyth catchphrase)
26. T i a beyond – “**To infinity and beyond!**” (Buzz Lightyear, in *Toy Story*)
27. A r s g n o m – “**A rolling stone gathers no moss**” (proverb)
28. W e a n a – “**We are not amused**” (Queen Victoria)
29. I b i n e B – “**Ich bin ein Berliner**” (JFK)
30. Y h a d m a h – “**You had me at ‘hello’**” (an emotionally overcome Dorothy, in *Jerry Maguire*)

Was it Bill or was it Ben? – (a form of question inspired by *The Flowerpot Men*)

31. Was it Eric or was it Ernie who chopped the four grapefruit? – **Eric**, in the famous Morecambe and Wise breakfast sketch, to the music of *The Stripper*.
32. Was it Schumann or was it Schubert who failed to finish his penultimate symphony? – **Schubert** completed his ninth symphony, but not his eighth.
33. Was it Bobby or was it Jack who scored both semi-final goals? – Both brothers were in the 1996 World Cup, but **Bobby** Charlton was the goal scorer against Portugal.
34. Was it Merry or was it Pippin who dropped a pebble down the well? – In *The Lord of the Rings*, the fellowship pass through Moria and **Pippin** drops a pebble down a well.
35. Was it Disreali or was it Gladstone who addressed the queen as if she were a public meeting? – **Gladstone**. (Victoria found Disraeli more prone to flattery.)
36. Was it Orville or was it Wilbur who piloted the first and shortest of the four flights? – The Wright brothers took it in turns to pilot their aircraft, but **Orville** was first.
37. Was it Bill or was it Ted who almost died after falling down the stairs? – In *Bill and Ted’s Excellent Adventure*, **Ted** falls downstairs in full armour and is then stabbed by an enemy. Bill is distraught until Ted appears and explains “I fell out of my suit when I hit the floor.”
38. Was it Noel or was it Liam who attacked Gazza with a fire extinguisher? – **Liam** Gallagher
39. Was it James or was it Edward who attempted to assassinate De Gaulle? – **Edward** Fox played the assassin in *The Day of the Jackal*.
40. Was it Bill or was it Ben who had the lower pitched voice? – **Ben**. (It took me a long time watching old clips of The Flowerpot Men on YouTube to find this out.)

Music – Here are second lines. What are the first lines?

41. “**Raindrops on roses and whiskers on kittens** / Bright copper kettles and warm woollen mittens” (from *The Sound of Music*)
42. “**And here’s to you, Mrs. Robinson** / Jesus loves you more than you will know” (by Simon and Garfunkel)
43. “**We’re soarin’, flyin’** / There’s not a star in heaven that we can’t reach” (from *High School Musical*)
44. “**O little town of Bethlehem** / How still we see thee lie” (a Christmas carol)
45. “**In the town where I was born** / Lived a man who sailed to sea” (*Yellow Submarine* by The Beatles)
46. “**Who do you think you are kidding Mr Hitler?** / If you think old England’s done” (theme song from *Dad’s Army*)
47. “**You light the skies up above me** / A star so bright you blind me” (*Rule the World* by Take That)

48. “**Tom Pearce. Tom Pearce, lend me your grey mare** / All along, down along, out along, lee” (*Widdecombe Fair*, a traditional song ending with ‘Uncle Tom Cobley and all’)
49. “**The minute you walked in the joint** / I could see you were a man of distinction” (*Big Spender* by Shirley Bassey)
50. “**We skipped a light fandango** / Turned cartwheels 'cross the floor” (*Whiter Shade of Pale* by Procul Harem)

History – Which battles share their name with...?

51. An Olympic event – **Marathon**
52. A London square – **Trafalgar**
53. A London station – **Waterloo**
54. An English palace – **Blenheim**
55. A point equidistant from two other points – **Midway**
56. A protuberance – **The Bulge**
57. A famous address – **Gettysburg** (the address was an oration not a location)
58. Something worn on the head – **Balaclava**
59. A character in *The Simpsons* – **Flanders** (Ned Flanders, their next-door neighbour)
60. A playground injury – **Wounded Knee**

Sport – What phrases are represented here by the initial letters?

61. 147 = M B (S) – **Maximum Break (Snooker)**
62. 18 = N of H (G) – **Number of Holes (Golf)**
63. 6 = N of H (C) – **Number of Hoops (Croquet)**
64. 40 = D T (D) – **Double Top (Darts)**
65. 5 G = W of S (B) – **5 Grams is Weight of Shuttlecock (Badminton)** – Madeleine insists on pointing out (correctly) that 5 grams is the *Mass* of the shuttlecock, a distinction only fully appreciated by Physicists
66. 6 A = T B (T) – **6 All** means a **Tie Break (Tennis)**
67. 5 D = L of T M (C) – **5 Days** is **Length of Test Match (Cricket)**
68. 30 = F J in the G N (S) – **Fences Jumped in the Grand National (Steeplechase)** – and I know ‘Horse Racing’ would be less pedantic, but (H R) seemed too easy a clue.
69. 3 S = Y O (B) – **3 Strikes** means **You’re Out (Baseball)**
70. 2 = N of O P R (S) – **Number of Oars Per Rower (Sculling)** – as opposed to one oar per rower in rowing.

Literature – Which books take their titles from the following...?

71. Athos, Porthos, Aramis – **The Three Musketeers** by Alexandre Dumas
72. Vito Corleone – **The Godfather** by Mario Puzo
73. Sauron – **The Lord of the Rings** by J R R Tolkien
74. Digory – **The Magician’s Nephew** by C S Lewis (the first in the Narnia series)
75. Michael Henchard – **The Mayor of Casterbridge** by Thomas Hardy
76. Griffin – **The Invisible Man** by H G Wells

77. Antonia – This is my favourite question on the quiz and so tricky that no-one managed to get it right. Some thought I meant ‘Antonio’, but even if I did the Merchant of Venice is a play rather than a book. I’ll give you a big hint and then reserve the answer for the end. Antonia is not a person but a beloved object belonging to a certain military gentleman.
78. Rudolf the Fifth – **The Prisoner of Zenda** by Anthony Hope
79. Octarine – In the Discworld series by Terry Pratchett there is an eighth colour in the rainbow which is **The Colour of Magic**
80. Griet – **Girl with a Pearl Earring** by Tracy Chevalier (the book of the painting)

Modern Culture – (So you think you’re clued up about the 21st century...)

81. What is a web log more usually called? – **Blog** (the answer’s hidden in the question)
82. What are the ladies of Wisteria Lane collectively known as? – **Desperate Housewives** (TV series)
83. In hip hop culture what is the term for flashy ostentatious jewellery? – **Bling**
84. Who married Jack Tweed? – **Jade Goody** (shortly before her death)
85. What word precedes the following? Sports; Play; Fit; Music; Remote – **Wii** (a game console for your TV. It is pronounced ‘Wee’)
86. What is the most famous creation of entrepreneur Jimmy Wales? – **Wikipedia** (an online encyclopaedia)
87. Who are Cloe, Jade, Sasha, and Yasmin? – **Bratz** (a range of dolls, with film spin-offs)
88. What two-word term describes the overall contribution to greenhouse gas emissions made by a particular person or event? – **Carbon Footprint**
89. What form of communication is strictly limited to 140 characters? – **Twitter** (a kind of minimalist Blog)
90. Who goes to bed at 8:08 p.m.? – **Sportacus** (energetic star of *Lazytown*, a children’s TV series)

Odd-ones-out – Circle the odd one out and say what connects the other four.

91. Andrew; **Edward**; George; David; Patrick (patron saints of the UK)
92. king; queen; knight; bishop; **priest** (pieces on a chess board)
93. Oscar; **Tony**; Charlie; Victor; Romeo (from the International Radio Operators Alphabet – the one that begins Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, Delta, Echo, Foxtrot, Golf...)
94. **T**; U; V; W; Xe (chemical elements – Uranium, Vanadium, Tungsten, Xenon)
95. tomato; cucumber; **rhubarb**; apple; mango (fruits – contain seeds)
96. canine; **feline**; calf; pupil; nail (parts of the body)
97. **Botticelli**; Raphael; Michelangelo; Donatello; Leonardo (Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles)
98. abhors; almost; biopsy; chintz; **wronged** (letters appear in alphabetical order)
99. a spider; **a beetle**; The Beatles; Sleipnir; a full-size snooker table (eight legs – Sleipnir was Odin’s horse in Norse mythology)
100. Stephen, John, Anne, **Henry**, Victoria (since the time of William the Conqueror there have been four monarchs with ‘unique’ names – there have been eight Henrys)
101. And the postponed answer to number 77 is **Captain Corelli’s Mandolin** by Louis de Bernières.

And the winners (with 99 out of 100) were Elaine Barton of Shoeburyness and Sue Hennessey of Sidcup. Each receives a £5 voucher in recognition of their vast brainpower.