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Awards & Prizes

1. The Golden Lion is the highest prize given to a film at which annual film festival?
2. The Man of Steel Award is awarded each year in which sport?
3. The Nobel Peace Prize is awarded each year in which European capital city?
4. The Tony awards were originally called the Antoinette Perry Awards for Excellence in what?
5. The Victoria Cross was first introduced to honour acts of valour during which war?
6. True or False: Alfred Nobel insisted that no Nobel Prize be awarded in Mathematics after his wife left him for a college lecturer in the subject?
7. What are the odds of winning any prize with a EuroMillions ticket?... a) 13 to 1; b) 23 to 1; or c) 33 to 1?
8. What do the letters in BAFTA stand for?
9. What do the letters in MOBO stand for in the awards that are commonly known as the MOBO Awards?
10. What is awarded for "acts of the greatest heroism or of the most conspicuous courage in circumstances of extreme danger"

Speak & Spell

1. According to a 2025 study by market research company One Poll, what eight-letter word beginning with "s" is the most commonly misspelt word in the English language, with many people using an "e" in place of the first of two letter "a"s in the word?
2. Hilda and Zelda Spellman are the aunts of which fictional character?
3. In 1992, who became the first female Speaker of the House of Commons?
4. In the USA, what was sold illegally in establishments known as speakeasies?... a) alcohol; b) tobacco; or c) opium?
5. Referring to someone speaking in a language that is unknown to them, the phenomenon of "glossolalia" is more commonly known as "speaking in" what?
6. The term ventriloquism comes from the Latin for "to speak from" which part of the body?... a) the heart; b) the hand; or c) the stomach?
7. Which artist designed the famous dream sequence in the 1945 Alfred Hitchcock film Spellbound?
8. Which group had a number one hit single in 1997 with Don't Speak?
9. Which of the following is part of the witches' spell in the William Shakespeare play Macbeth?... a) tail of horse; b) toe of cat; or c) tongue of dog?
10. Which well-known company took its name from a misspelling of the word for the number that is written as a one followed by one hundred zeros?

Horses

1. How many times did Red Rum win the Grand National?
2. If a colt is a male horse under the age of four, what name is given to a female horse under the age of four?
3. In 1878, railroad tycoon Leland Stanford hired a photographer to use newly invented technology to settle a bet as to whether a galloping horse ever had all four of its feet off the ground at the same time. Did the photographer prove that it did or it didnt
4. In 2008, a number of players from which English football team bought a racehorse and named it Moscow Eight?
5. In which play by William Shakespeare did the title character have a horse called White Surrey?
6. Which DC comics character had a pet horse called Comet the Super- Horse?
7. Which famous highwayman rode a horse called Black Bess?
8. Which famous person from the American Old West had a horse called Black Nell?
9. Which of these Olympic contests includes show jumping as one of its events? The biathlon, the heptathlon or the modern pentathlon?
10. Which TV character owns a racehorse called FAB 3?

Famous Discoveries

1. Also the name of a 2001 romance movie, which eleven letter word refers to the act of making fortunate discoveries by accident?
2. In 1846, what became the first planet to be discovered by mathematical prediction rather than regular observation?
3. In 1943, Edward Adelbert Doisy and Henrik Dam shared the Nobel Prize for Medicine for their work involved in the discovery of which vitamin?
4. Italian explorer John Cabot is generally recognised as being the first European to discover North America. On which island is he thought to have first landed?
5. Robert Ballard and Jean-Louis Michel made headlines in 1985 when they discovered what?
6. What name was given to the large number of documents discovered in eleven caves in and around Wadi Qumran between 1947 and 1979?
7. What was first photographed by the Soviet Luna 3 probe in 1959 and first seen by human eyes as part of the Apollo 8 mission in 1968?
8. Which Egyptian pharaoh's tomb was discovered by Howard Carter in 1922?
9. Which French scientist discovered radioactivity in 1896?
10. Who shared a Nobel prize in 1945 for his discovery of penicillin in 1928?

Comedians

1. In 2009, Lenny Henry became the face of which budget hotel chain?
2. In 2011, whose DVD, called Chatterbox Live, sold over 150,000 copies, an all-time record for a female stand-up comedian?
3. In the 1960s, which famous comedian entered the Guinness Book of Records for the world's longest ever joke-telling session, telling 1,500 jokes in three and a half hours?
4. How Did All This Happen is the autobiography of which comedian, who played non-league football and worked as a salesman in the pharmaceutical industry before his career in comedy?
5. Shown live online in March 2011, 24 Hour Panel People was an event to raise money for Comic Relief that featured 24 hours of live, back-to-back TV panel shows. Which Little Britain star was present in all of these shows?
6. The slang term "lurgy" was invented by two comedians for which Radio show?
7. Which comedian had the Christmas number one hit single of 1971 with Ernie (The Fastest Milkman in The West)?
8. Which comedian helped advertise John Smith's Bitter on TV by running along a diving board and performing a "running bomb"?
9. Which comedian is the father of actress Lucy Davis, who played receptionist Dawn Tinsley in the TV sitcom The Office?
10. Which comedian often talked about a fictional race of people called the Diddy Men who inhabited the area of Knotty Ash in Liverpool?

Diet & Exercise

1. By what name is fitness instructor and TV personality Derrick Evans better known?
2. In 2007, which former EastEnders actress released a DVD called Then and Now Workout that became the fastest selling weight-loss DVD in the U.K. ever?
3. The F-Plan was a diet created in the 1980s by Audrey Eaton. What did the letter “F” stand for in the name of this diet?
4. Used to identify potential obesity problems by comparing a person’s weight and height, what do the initials in B.M.I. stand for?
5. What name is given to the machines in gyms with moving belts that enable people to run or walk while staying in the same place?
6. What was the first name of Dr. Atkins, who created the controversial Atkins diet?
7. Which of the following typically contains the most calories? An apple, an orange or a banana?
8. Which Oscar winning actress released over 20 exercise videos in the 1980s and 1990s, the first of which went on to sell 17 million copies?
9. Which panel member from the TV show Dragon’s Den owns the largest independent chain of Health Clubs in the U.K.?
10. What three letter word is used to describe diets that are popular but never seem to work

Empire

1. First published in 1989, the monthly magazine Empire is themed around what subject?... a) films; b) music; or c) sport?
2. In 1931, the Empire State Building took over from which other New York building to become the world's tallest building?
3. In 2021, which 36-year-old chart-topping singer, who grew up in Hackney, was made a patron of the Hackney Empire as part of the venue's 120th birthday celebrations?
4. Then called the British Empire Games, the first edition of what is now known as the Commonwealth Games was held in 1930 in which country?
5. Which 1992 hit single includes the line "Julius Caesar and the Roman Empire couldn't conquer the blue sky"?
6. Which of the following is not an ingredient of a typical empire biscuit?... a) chocolate; b) jam; or c) shortbread?
7. Which of the following Star Wars characters made their first appearance in the film The Empire Strikes Back?... a) Obi-Wan Kenobi; b) Yoda; or c) Jar Jar Binks?
8. Which Oscar-winning British actor's breakthrough role came when he was just 13 years of age in Steven Spielberg's 1987 film Empire Of The Sun?
9. Which singer featured with Jay-Z on the hit single Empire State Of Mind?
10. Who founded the Mongol Empire?

Last to First

1. "He's the ace, he's amazing, he's the strongest, he's the quickest, he's the best" are lyrics from the theme song to which animated children's TV show?
2. A companion to the Seventh Doctor, played by Sylvester McCoy, who played the character Ace on the TV show Doctor Who between 1987 and 1989?
3. In a pack of playing cards, which of the following is sometimes referred to as the "death card"?...
a) the ace of clubs; b) the ace of diamonds; c) the ace of hearts; or d) the ace of spades?
4. In golf, what term is used in the UK to refer to what is commonly known as an "ace" in the USA?
5. In Texas Hold'em poker, the name of which former tennis player is sometimes used as a nickname for a starting hand of an Ace and a King, with one of the two main reasons for this reportedly being because both the hand and the player look good?
6. In the 1994 film Ace Ventura: Pet Detective, the title character is hired to find Snowflake - the mascot of a well-known Miami sports team. What type of animal is Snowflake?
7. The Belle Vue Aces are a British speedway team based in which city?
8. The term "ace" can be used to refer to a military aircraft pilot who has shot down at least how many enemy aircraft during combat?
9. What was the title of Ace Of Base's only UK number one hit single?
10. Which World Championship-winning snooker player is nicknamed "the ace in the pack"?

Picture Round – Art & Lit



Author



Artist



Author



Author



Sculpture



Character



Who?



Sculpture



Statue



Cartoon Strip

Family Fortunes

1. Name a sport that requires protective clothing
2. A kind of pole
3. A type of powder
4. An item of 70s fashion
5. Apart from the Queen, name a famous woman in history
6. Besides the races. Name a place you might find a horse
7. Describe a way you like your steak cooked using the official Steak Doneness Register
8. Name a book section of the library
9. Name a famous Bruce
10. Name a place you might keep a spare key

Answers

Awards & Prizes

1. The Venice Film Festival
2. Rugby League
3. Oslo
4. Theatre
5. The Crimean War
6. FALSE
7. 13 to 1
8. British Academy of Film and Television Arts
9. Music Of Black Origin
10. The George Cross

Speak & Spell

1. Separate
2. Sabrina The Teenage Witch
3. Betty Boothroyd
4. Alcohol
5. Tongues
6. The stomach
7. Salvador Dali
8. No Doubt
9. Tongue of dog
10. Google (a misspelling of "googol")

Horses

1. Three
2. A filly
3. It did
4. Manchester United (to commemorate their Champions League final victory in Moscow)
5. Richard III
6. Supergirl
7. Dick Turpin
8. Wild Bill Hickok
9. The modern pentathlon
10. Lady Penelope (from Thunderbirds)

Famous Discoveries

1. Serendipity
2. Neptune
3. Vitamin K
4. Newfoundland
5. The wreck of the Titanic
6. The Dead Sea Scrolls
7. The far side of the moon (accept “dark side of the moon”)
8. Tutankhamun
9. Henri Becquerel
10. Alexander Fleming

Comedians

1. Premier Inn
2. Sarah Millican's
3. Ken Dodd
4. John Bishop
5. David Walliams
6. The Goon Show
7. Benny Hill
8. Peter Kay
9. Jasper Carrott (whose real name is Robert Davis)
10. Ken Dodd

Diet & Exercise

1. Mr. Motivator
2. Natalie Cassidy's
3. Fibre
4. Body Mass Index
5. Treadmills
6. Robert
7. A banana
8. Jane Fonda
9. Duncan Bannatyne (with clubs called Bannatyne's Fitness)
10. Fad

Empire

1. Films
2. The Chrysler Building
3. Leona Lewis
4. Canada
5. Weather With You (by Crowded House)
6. Chocolate
7. Yoda
8. Christian Bale's
9. Alicia Keys
10. Genghis Khan

Ace

1. Danger Mouse
2. Sophie Aldred
3. The ace of spades
4. Hole-in-one
5. Anna Kournikova (the other reason is that they both have the initials AK)
6. A dolphin (the mascot of the Miami Dolphins)
7. Manchester
8. Five
9. All That She Wants
10. Judd Trump

Picture Round – Answers

1. WH Awdry
2. Tracey Emin - My Bed
3. Graham Greene
4. Jeffrey Archer
5. Venus de Milo
6. Dan Dare
7. Mystic Meg - Margaret Lake
8. David
9. Mannekin Pis
10. The Fat Slags (Viz)

Family Fortunes – Answers

5	4	3	2	1
1 Cricket	Fencing	American Football	Motor Racing	Ice Hockey
2 North / South	Totem	May	Flag	Vaulting
3 Talcum	Gun	Make Up	Custard	Baking
4 Flares	Platform shoes	Hot pants	Kipper Tie	Tank Top
5 Joan of Ark	Florence Nightingale	Margaret Thatcher	Mother Theresa	Cleopatra
6 Stable	Farm	Show	Circus	Rodeo
7 Medium Rare	Rare	Blue Rare	Medium	Well Done
8 Fiction	Non Fiction	Reference	History	Travel
9 Bruce Springsteen	Bruce Willis	Bruce Grobelaar	Bruce Forsyth	Bruce Lee
10 Pot Plant	Under Mat	Under Rock	On a string inside the door	Neighbours