

These quizzes could be used in staffrooms (Individual quiz champ? This table v That table? Teachers of junior grades v teachers of senior grades?). Winner(s) could be 'spoiled' for a day.

Another suggestion: use the quizzes as a fundraiser in a school Quiz Evening.

Solutions are in red on page immediately following quiz.

- 1. The highest mountain in any Australian state or territory is *Mt Buller/ Mt Kosciusko/ Ram's Head/ Mount McClintock*
- 2. A fiend in 'Oliver Twist' is Falstaff/ Fagin/ Friday/ Faraday
- 3. -273°C is

Antarctica's coldest recorded temperature/ Planet Saturn's surface temperature/ Absolute Zero/ the temperature at which mercury freezes

- 4. The great composer, pianist and conductor Rachmaninoff was *Russian/German/Hungarian/Polish*
- 5. Which one is famous?

 Aristotle's Square/ Euclid's Parallelogram/ Pythagoras' Circle/ Pascal's Triangle
- 6. The capital city of Ukraine is *L'viv/ Kiev/ Kharkiv/ Odessa*
- 7. A skate is a fish/ a bird/ an insect/ a mammal
- 8. Marie Curie moved to France from Switzerland/ Poland/ Austria/ Romania
- 9. The flag of Hungary has three stripes that are red, white and green (horizontal)/ red, white and green (vertical)/ red, yellow and green (horizontal)/ red, yellow and green (vertical)
- 10. Each of these men was Prime Minister of Australia. Which one was our 2nd Prime Minister?

George Reid/John Watson/Alfred Deakin/Edmund Barton

- 1. Mount McClintock (in Australian Antarctic Territory)
- 2. Fagin
- 3. Absolute Zero
- 4. Russian
- 5. Pascal's Triangle
- 6. Kiev
- 7. fish
- 8. Poland
- 9. red, white and green (horizontal)
- 10. Alfred Deakin

1. Which planet has a moon named Phobos?

Venus/Saturn/Jupiter/Mars

2. Josephine Cochran invented

the dishwasher/windscreen wipers/disposable nappies/white-out (liquid paper)

3. London's latitude is just over

47°N/49°N/51°N/53°N

4. Elliot is a town in

WA/NT/SA/Tas

5. Roald Dahl was born in

England/ Scotland/ Ireland/ Wales

6. 80% of San Francisco was destroyed by an earthquake in

1904/1906/1908/1910

7. How many active volcanoes does Australia have?

0/1/2/3

8. Who founded the Microsoft Corporation with Bill Gates?

Steve Wood/ Bob Greenberg/ Paul Allen/ Jim Lane

9. Who wrote the poem, 'The Highwayman'?

Alfred Noyes/ Alfred Tennyson/ John Donne/ Oscar Wilde

10. The first person to reach the South Pole was

Robert Scott/Robert Peary/Thor Heyerdahl/Roald Amundsen

- 1. Mars
- 2. dishwasher
- 3.51°N
- **4.** NT
- 5. Wales
- **6.** 1906
- 7. 2
- 8. Paul Allen
- 9. Alfred Noyes
- 10. Roald Amundsen

- 1. In which country was Albert Einstein born? Germany/Switzerland/Austria?
- 2. When we gain weight do we also gain blood? *Yes/No*
- 3. The Mariana Trench is in which ocean? *Atlantic/Indian/Pacific*
- 4. What fraction of a metre is a micron? *one thousandth/one millionth/one billionth*
- 5. Tutankhamen died in his late... teens/ 20s/ 30s
- 6. Tachyphagia is?
- 7. An okapi is an

 Aztec temple/African mammal/Arctic bird
- 8. In France a 'pont' is a *pond/bridge/cave*
- 9. What battle was fought in 1066?
- 10. Who starred alongside Clark Gable in 'Gone with the Wind'?

- 1. Germany
- 2. Yes
- 3. Pacific
- 4. one millionth
- 5. teens
- 6. rapid eating
- 7. African mammal
- 8. bridge
- 9. Battle of Hastings
- 10. Vivien Leigh

- 1. How many nanoseconds in a second?
- 2. Strasbourg is a city in ...

France/Germany/Austria

3. K2 is a ...

mountain/isotope/moon of Jupiter

- 4. Who wrote the novel 'Frankenstein'?
- 5. What did Joseph Priestley discover?
- 6. In which part of the world was the abacus invented? *Mesopotamia/China/Greece?*
- 7. Which city was founded by Sir Stamford Raffles?
- 8. Who composed 'Fur Elise'?
- 9. Which river flows through Budapest?
- 10. What is the capital city of Panama?

- 1. one billion
- 2. France
- 3. mountain
- 4. Mary Shelley
- 5. oxygen
- 6. Mesopotamia
- 7. Singapore
- 8. Beethoven
- 9. Danube
- 10. Panama City

- 1. Bagpipes often play "Scotland the _ _ _ _."
- 2. The continents with the largest and smallest populations begin with the same letter. What are these continents?
- 3. What did Alexander Fleming discover?
- 4. Cicero was Greek/ Egyptian/ Roman
- 5. Compared with a hectare an acre is: larger/ smaller/ the same
- 6. In music which note is longer in time... minim/ crotchet/ quaver?
- 7. The last Ice Age ended around 1 000/10 000/1 00 000 years ago
- 8. What are the first three letters of the Greek alphabet?
- 9. A puck is used in which 'cold' team sport?
- 10. Which European country and its capital city both begin with the letter S?

- 1. Brave
- 2. Asia/Antarctica
- 3. penicillin
- 4. Roman
- 5. smaller
- 6. minim
- 7.10000
- 8. Alpha-Beta-Gamma
- **9.** ice hockey
- 10. Sweden/Stockholm

1. John Logie Baird invented

radio television computers

2. Mach 1 is the speed of

sound light neither of these

- 3. What is the area of a square whose sides measure 0.5 cm?
- 4. Who was Charles Babbage?
- 5. Which river flows through Budapest?
- 6. Can you name an Egyptian city that has the letter A in its name three times?
- 7. Name one of the two most famous football (soccer) clubs in Spain.
- 8. Which one wrote the poem, 'The Rime of the Ancient Mariner'? *Coleridge Shelley Tennyson*
- 9. Which one is not in the Caribbean Sea?

Jamaica Puerto Rico Guam

10. The chemical symbol for iron is

Ph Ir Fe

- 1. television
- 2. sound
- 3. 0.25cm²
- 4. inventor of the computer
- 5. Danube
- 6. Alexandria
- 7. Real Madrid/FC Barcelona
- 8. Coleridge
- 9. Guam
- **10.** Fe