

FEBRUARY 2014 CURRENT EVENTS QUIZ



(www.TriviaChamp.com)

1> Which Russian hockey great joined former champion figure skater Irina Rodnina to light the Olympic cauldron at the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympic games?

- a. Sergei Fedorov
- b. Valery Kharlamov
- c. Viacheslav Fetisov
- d. Vladislav Tretiak

2> On February 7th, guarded by armed soldiers from Chad, thousands of people fled in fear of their lives from Bangui, the capital of Central African Republic. Who?

- a. Muslims
- b. Jews
- c. Buddhists
- d. Christians

3> Under a deal struck between the government and the rebels, a three-day ceasefire was reached allowing for children and other civilians to be evacuated from Homs. Where is Homs located?

- a. Afghanistan
- b. Iran
- c. Iraq
- d. Syria

4> For the second time in his career, Jay Leno said good-bye to "The Tonight Show" on February 6th. Who is his replacement?

- a. David Letterman
- b. Oprah Winfrey
- c. Jimmy Fallon
- d. Conan O'Brien

5> As he revealed on Twitter, what Star Trek original cast actor has been diagnosed with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (lung disease)?

- a. Leonard Nimoy
- b. Nichelle Nichols
- c. Walter Koenig
- d. William Shatner

6> February 7th marked the 50th anniversary of what band's arrival in North America?

- a. The Dave Clark Five
- b. The Rolling Stones
- c. The Kinks
- d. The Beatles

7> With well over 100,000 signatures, a "We the People" online petition at Whitehouse.gov is calling for which Canadian singer's removal from the United States?

- a. Justin Bieber
- b. Neil Young
- c. Brian Adams
- d. Avril Lavigne

8> Legislation introduced on February 7th in California would require smartphones and other mobile devices to have a new feature installed. What feature?

- a. Government Monitoring Chip
- b. Kill Switch
- c. GPS Locater

d. Call Recorder

9> What Oscar-winning actor was found dead, of a possible drug overdose, at the age of 46 on February 2nd?

- a. Hugh Jackman
- b. Matthew Fox
- c. Robert Downey Jr.
- d. Philip Seymour Hoffman

10> Currently sitting on the surface of Mars, a NASA rover took the first photo of Earth from Mars on February 7th. What is the name of the rover?

- a. Red Rover
- b. Explorer
- c. Curiosity
- d. Mars One

11> Google was praised by the Human Rights Campaign for the logo it displayed portraying Olympic athletes on February 6th. What was special about the logo?

- a. It depicted athletes against a rainbow background
- b. It displayed US Athletes with gold medals
- c. It showed athletes feeding the hungry
- d. It showed athletes holding hands

12> On February 6th, Hamad bin Isa al-Khalifa, Bahrain's king, signed a new controversial law that made world news headlines. What was the law?

- a. Unlawful to insult him publicly
- b. Unlawful to own property
- c. Unlawful to have more than one child
- d. Unlawful to get married

Answers:

- 1> Vladislav Tretiak - Vladislav played as a goaltender in Russia from 1968 through 1984.
- 2> Muslims - According to Peter Bouckaert, an emergencies director for Human Rights Watch, entire Muslim neighborhoods are being destroyed and emptied.
- 3> Syria - Men between the ages of 15 and 55, who were considered most likely to be fighters, were not allowed to leave.
- 4> Jimmy Fallon - 'The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon' will premiere February 17, 2014 from New York.
- 5> Leonard Nimoy - Considered one of the most popular sci-fi TV shows of all time, Star Trek ran for three seasons, 79 episodes.
- 6> The Beatles - The Beatles made their first appearance that Sunday on The Ed Sullivan Show.
- 7> Justin Bieber - Justin currently has an O-1 visa that allows individuals "of extraordinary ability in the arts" to stay in the United States.
- 8> Kill Switch - The kill switch would be used to render devices inoperable if lost or stolen.
- 9> Philip Seymour Hoffman - Philip won the Academy Award for Best Actor for his role in the film Capote.
- 10> Curiosity - This is the first time the Earth has ever been seen from Mars.
- 11> It depicted athletes against a rainbow background - The logo was in protest of a newly passed Russian law that makes pro-gay 'propaganda' that could be accessible to minors illegal.
- 12> Unlawful to insult him publicly - The new law stipulates a minimum sentence of one year in jail (maximum seven years) and \$2,600 fine.