

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE TRIVIA QUESTIONS #84



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1> Who was the president of Iraq when the Americans began their invasion of Iraq on March 20, 2003?

- a. Bashar al-Assad
- b. Saddam Hussein
- c. Muammar Gaddafi
- d. Osama bin Laden

2> Winner of the Song of the Year Grammy in 2001, which band recorded the hit, "Beautiful Day"?

- a. U2
- b. Red Hot Chili Peppers
- c. Depeche Mode
- d. Bon Jovi

3> Which modern Japanese inventor surpassed Thomas Edison's total of 1,093 U.S. patents in 2003?

- a. Tadahiro Ohmi
- b. Jun Koyama
- c. Shunpei Yamazaki
- d. Hideo Ando

4> What are the five colors of the Olympic rings?

- a. Red, yellow, green, blue, pink

- b. Red, yellow, green, blue, brown
- c. Red, yellow, green, blue, purple
- d. Red, yellow, green, blue, black

5> Yuri Gagarin is immortalized for being the first man to journey into outer space. In what year did the expedition take place?

- a. 1961
- b. 1969
- c. 1963
- d. 1965

6> Created by Amy Sherman-Palladino, what TV show stars Lauren Graham as a single mother raising her daughter Rory in the fictional town of Stars Hollow?

- a. Gilmore Girls
- b. One Tree Hill
- c. Judging Amy
- d. Parenthood

7> Landlocked, on which continent would you find the country of Bolivia?

- a. North America
- b. Asia
- c. South America
- d. Africa

8> A thief steals corporate secrets through use of dream-sharing technology in which 2010 movie starring Leonardo DiCaprio?

- a. Catch Me If You Can
- b. Looper
- c. Transcendence
- d. Inception

9> What is the major artery that is located on either side of your neck?

- a. Femoral
- b. Cephalic
- c. Aorta
- d. Carotid

10> Written by Geoffrey Chaucer sometime near the end of the 14th century, which best-selling book is a collection of over 20 stories?

- a. Great Expectations
- b. The Canterbury Tales
- c. Gulliver's Travels
- d. One Thousand and One Nights

11> Born as Erik Weisz in 1874, I achieved much fame for my sensational escape acts. What was my stage name?

- a. Houdini
- b. Buster Keaton
- c. David Copperfield
- d. Val Valentino

12> Which spider is considered the most venomous spider in North America?

- a. Redback Spider
- b. Black Widow
- c. Tarantula
- d. Yellow Sac Spider

13> Airing from 1991 to 2003, what TV tabloid talk show was hosted by a former rock band drummer?

- a. The Jenny Jones Show

- b. The Tyra Banks Show
- c. The Ricki Lake Show
- d. The Jerry Springer Show

14> The last remaining wonder of the original "Seven Wonders of the World" is located in which country?

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

15> Founding member of the two bands, Pantera and Damageplan, which guitarist was shot onstage while performing in 2004?

- a. Randy Rhoads
- b. Diamond Darrell
- c. Clifford Burton
- d. Vinnie Paul

Answers:

- 1> Saddam Hussein - Saddam was hanged on 30 December 2006.
- 2> U2 - The song won three Grammys.
- 3> Shunpei Yamazaki - Australian inventor Kia Silverbrook currently holds the most US patents at 4, 679 (Oct 2014).
- 4> Red, yellow, green, blue, black - The rings symbol was designed by Baron Pierre de Coubertin in 1912.
- 5> 1961 - Gagarin died when a MiG-15 jet he was piloting crashed in 1968.
- 6> Gilmore Girls - Ending in 2007, Gilmore Girls ran for seven seasons.
- 7> South America - At 418,683 square miles, Bolivia is equal in size to California and Texas combined.
- 8> Inception - Inception was a box office success grossing over \$800 million worldwide.
- 9> Carotid - The carotid arteries supply the head and neck with oxygenated blood.
- 10> The Canterbury Tales - Most of the tales found in the book are written in verse.
- 11> Houdini - Houdini spent much of his life debunking psychics and mediums.
- 12> Black Widow - The female black widow eats her male partner after mating.
- 13> The Jenny Jones Show - Jenny Jones was also a stand-up comedian.
- 14> Egypt - The last remaining wonder is the Great Pyramid of Giza.
- 15> Diamond Darrell - Diamond Darrell was pronounced dead at the scene.

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