

MAY 2015 CURRENT EVENTS QUIZ II



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1> The world's first national vote on the issue of same-sex marriages occurred on May 23rd, 2015. In which country?

- a. England
- b. Wales
- c. Scotland
- d. Ireland

2> Jeralean Talley, the world's oldest living person, turned what age on May 23rd, 2015?

- a. 110
- b. 107
- c. 116
- d. 113

3> Which country has warned its eurozone creditors that it might default on debt repayment loans due next month?

- a. Italy
- b. France
- c. Greece
- d. Spain

4> What American Hall of Fame blues singer, songwriter and guitarist died on May 14, 2015 at the age of 89?

- a. B.B. King

- b. Albert King
- c. Chuck Berry
- d. Buddy Guy

5> Which country beat Russia to win the 60th Eurovision Song Contest held on May 23rd, 2015?

- a. Australia
- b. France
- c. Italy
- d. Sweden

6> Held from May 1st to the 17th, who won the men's 2015 World Ice Hockey Championship?

- a. Canada
- b. USA
- c. Finland
- d. Russia

7> May 2015 marked what anniversary since the World War II allied evacuation of Dunkirk?

- a. 60th
- b. 65th
- c. 75th
- d. 70th

8> Mohammed Morsi, former President, was sentenced to death in which country in May 2015?

- a. USA
- b. France
- c. Egypt
- d. Russia

9> Which American late night television host stepped down from their long running TV talk show in May of 2015?

- a. Jay Leno
- b. Oprah Winfrey
- c. David Letterman
- d. Ellen De Generes

10> To be released sometime later this year, what figure has been announced as the most likely to grace the next UK £20 note?

- a. Vaughn Williams
- b. Lowry
- c. Elgar
- d. Turner

11> Which nation officially banned Facebook in May of 2015?

- a. Nauru
- b. France
- c. Austria
- d. Switzerland

12> Released in the United States on May 15th 2015, Tom Hardy stars in the fourth installment of which popular film series?

- a. Lethal Weapon
- b. Robocop
- c. Die Hard
- d. Mad Max

13> The Vatican officially recognised what state in a new treaty in May of 2015?

- a. Israel
- b. Palestine
- c. Syria
- d. Jordan

14> Michelle Bachelet appointed a new cabinet in May 2015. She is President of which nation?

- a. Jamaica
- b. Chile
- c. Russia
- d. France

15> Harry Shearer announced he was leaving what long running TV show in May of 2015?

- a. The Walking Dead
- b. The Big Bang Theory
- c. The Simpsons
- d. Family Guy

16> One hundred lost newspaper letters by which historic writer were discovered in May of 2015?

- a. Jane Austen
- b. Williams Shakespeare
- c. Charles Dickens
- d. Mark Twain

17> Which Academy Award winning actress launched the Bentonville Film Festival in May of 2015?

- a. Geena Davis
- b. Nicola Kidman
- c. Keera Knightly

d. Julianne Moore

18> Which nation was stripped of its 4x100 men's relay 2012 Olympic Silver Medals in May of 2015?

- a. USA
- b. Jamaica
- c. GB
- d. France

Answers:

- 1> Ireland - About 62 percent of the voters stated that they were in favor of gay marriages.
- 2> 116 - Jeralean attributes her long life to healthy food and clean living.
- 3> Greece - Greece claims that it simply does not have the funds.
- 4> B.B. King - B.B. King died in his sleep from a series of strokes that were caused by his type 2 diabetes.
- 5> Sweden - It was Sweden's sixth Eurovision victory.
- 6> Canada - Hosted by the Czech Republic, 16 teams competed in the tournament that saw Canada win the championship when they defeated Russia in the final game.
- 7> 75th - A total of 338,226 soldiers were evacuated over eight days by a rapidly assembled fleet of approximately 800 boats.
- 8> Egypt - Mohammed served as the fifth President of Egypt from June 2012 to July 2013.
- 9> David Letterman - David hosted 4,263 episodes of the 'Late Show with David Letterman'.
- 10> Lowry - L.S. Lowry was an English artist.
- 11> Nauru - The Nauru government said that restricting websites was necessary to crack down on pornography, but gave no reason for the Facebook ban specifically.
- 12> Mad Max - Originally acted by Mel Gibson in the first three movies, Tom Hardy plays the role of 'Mad' Max Rockatansky.
- 13> Palestine - The Vatican's deputy foreign minister said that he hoped the agreement would indirectly help the Palestinian State in its relations with Israel.
- 14> Chile - Michelle Bachelet has been the President of Chile since March 11th, 2014.
- 15> The Simpsons - Shearer provided the voices for Principal Skinner, Kent Brockman, Mr. Burns, Waylon Smithers, Ned Flanders and many others.
- 16> Mark Twain - Written when he was a young newsman in San Francisco.
- 17> Geena Davis - The festival is dedicated to championing women and diversity in film.
- 18> USA - The men have been instructed to return their medals.

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