

# 1970s TRIVIA QUIZ QUESTIONS II



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1> In 1970, a major earthquake killed over 75,000 people in which South American country?

- a. Peru
- b. Brazil
- c. Chile
- d. Argentina

2> Which Soviet space probe was the first to land on Mars (1971)?

- a. Mars 3
- b. Mars 1
- c. Mars Lander
- d. Mars 2

3> The year 1976 saw the death of one of the world's richest men, who in his old age became a total recluse. Who was he?

- a. Howard Hughes
- b. Lawrence Ellison
- c. Warren Buffett
- d. Jim Walton

4> The year 1977 saw the first elections in 41 years in which country?

- a. Canada
- b. Spain
- c. Russia
- d. France

5> Which Soviet nuclear physicist and dissident won the Nobel Prize for Peace in

1975?

- a. Andrei Sakharov
- b. Boris Yeltsin
- c. Anatoly Sobchak
- d. Rudolf Nureyev

6> Which band won the Eurovision Song Contest with the song Waterloo in 1974?

- a. Grand Funk Railroad
- b. The Stylistics
- c. Abba
- d. Gladys Knight and the Pips

7> President Nixon became the first U.S President to visit which Communist country in 1972?

- a. China
- b. Russia
- c. North Korea
- d. Vietnam

8> In a successful effort to retain his world title, which heavyweight-boxing champion defeated Muhammad Ali in 1971?

- a. Joe Frazier
- b. George Foreman
- c. Larry Holmes
- d. Leon Spinks

9> Egypt and Syria attacked Israel on which Jewish holy day in 1973?

- a. Hanukkah
- b. Yom Kippur
- c. Sukkot
- d. Passover

10> Which computer software company, destined to have a major impact in the future, was founded in 1975?

- a. Apple

- b. Microsoft
- c. Intel
- d. HP

11> In 1976, the United States celebrated the 200th Anniversary of what event?

- a. Versailles Peace Treaty
- b. Declaration of Independence
- c. End of Slavery
- d. End of World War One

12> Afghanistan was invaded by which one of its neighbours in 1979?

- a. Soviet Union
- b. England
- c. United States
- d. China

### **Answers:**

- 1> Peru - The earthquake struck on a Sunday afternoon (May 31) and lasted for approximately 45 seconds.
- 2> Mars 3 - Mars 3 was launched after Mars 2 crash-landed on Mar's surface.
- 3> Howard Hughes - Hughes began displaying signs of mental illness in the 1930s, primarily obsessive-compulsive disorder.
- 4> Spain - The election results were a disappointment for the Communist Party.
- 5> Andrei Sakharov - Sakharov was arrested in 1980 for his public protests against the Soviet Invasion of Afghanistan.
- 6> Abba - After much success, Abba broke up in late 1982.
- 7> China - His visit opened diplomatic relations between the two nations.
- 8> Joe Frazier - The bout lasted 15 rounds.
- 9> Yom Kippur - Both the United States and the Soviet Union initiated enormous resupply efforts to their respective allies during the war.
- 10> Microsoft - Microsoft initially developed and sold BASIC interpreters for the Altair 8800.
- 11> Declaration of Independence - The Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776.
- 12> Soviet Union - The war lasted nine years.