2015 POP CULTURE TRIVIA QUESTIONS



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1> English businessman Piers Linney announced in January 2015 that he was going to leave what long time running show?

- a. The Apprentice
- b. The X Factor
- c. Britain's Got Talent
- d. Dragons Den

2> Complete the title of the new 2015 album released by Bob Dylan - "Shadows in the _____"?

- a. Day
- b. Noon
- c. Night
- d. Evening

3> "L.A. Love (La La)" is the title of a January 2015 Top Ten Smash hit for which singer?

- a. Fergie
- b. Beyonce
- c. Kylie Minge
- d. Adele

4> Colombian singer and songwriter Shakira gave birth to her second son on January 29, 2015. What is his name?

a. Pasha

b. Lasha

c. Masha

d. Sasha

5> Played on February 1, 2015 between the New England Patriots and the Seattle Seahawks, where did Super Bowl XLIX take place?

- a. Texas
- b. Florida
- c. Arizona
- d. California

6> Tiger Woods shot the worst round of his professional career in the Phoenix Open on January 30th, 2015. What was the score that he finished with?

- a. 98
- b. 82
- c. 75
- d. 109

7> Which of these is the title of an animated superhero Disney film released in January 2015?

- a. Big Hero 12
- b. Big Hero 9
- c. Big Hero 10
- d. Big Hero 6

8> American Beauty/American Psycho is an album that was released on January 16, 2015 by which American rock band?

- a. All American Rejects
- b. Foo Fighters
- c. Fall Out Boy
- d. Blink 182

9> Microsoft announced which new operating system in January 2015?

- a. Windows SX
- b. Windows 10
- c. Windows 14
- d. Windows 12

10> Released to the general public in 2015, the biographical war movie "American Sniper" is directed by which legendary figure?

- a. Sylvester Stallone
- b. Steven Spielberg
- c. Ben Affleck
- d. Clint Eastwood

11> According to stats released in 2015, which actor was the most Googled name in 2014?

- a. Channing Tatum
- b. George Clooney
- c. Robin Williams
- d. Brad Pitt

12> Playing at the box office in January 2015, which of the following is the name of a movie starring Mark Wahlberg?

- a. The Gambler
- b. The Fixer
- c. The Bet
- d. The Bookmaker

13> Who remained in the Top 10 of the music charts around the world with the song "Blank Space" in January 2015?

- a. Miley Cyrus
- b. Madonna
- c. Taylor Swift
- d. Lady Gaga

14> Billy Bob Thornton won a Golden Globe Award in 2015 for his role in what popular TV show?

- a. Breaking Bad
- b. The Missing
- c. True Detective
- d. Fargo

15> Controversial fashion designer John Galliano debuted his collection for what brand in January 2015?

- a. YSL
- b. Chanel
- c. Ralph Lauren
- d. Maison Margiela

16> Which film won the 2015 Golden Globe Award for best Musical or Comedy?

- a. The Grand Budapest Hotel
- b. Into the Woods
- c. Pride
- d. Birdman

17> Kyle McLachlan announced in January 2015 that he would be reprising his role as Dale Cooper in the revamp of what TV Show?

- a. Colombo
- b. Magnum
- c. Twin Peaks

d. Quantum Leap

18> Playing in London, the musical "Sunny Afternoon" is based on the music of which well-known band?

- a. The Kinks
- b. The Beatles
- c. The Jam
- d. The Rolling Stones

19> Which actor was nominated for a 2015 Razzie Award for his role in "The Expendables 3"?

- a. Mel Gibson
- b. Bruce Willis
- c. Slyvester Stallone
- d. Jason Statham

20> Which singer surpassed Elvis in 2015 in terms of all time US album sales?

- a. Garth Brooks
- b. Michael Jackson
- c. Taylor Swift
- d. Prince

Answers:

1> Dragons Den - Piers Linney is the Co-CEO of IT business Outsourcery.

2> Night - Released on February 3rd, 2015, Shadows in the Night is Bob's thirty-sixth studio album.

3> Fergie - Released as a single, L.A. Love (La La) was recorded for Fergie's upcoming second studio album.

4> Sasha - As of 2015, Shakira has won two Grammy Awards.

5> Arizona - The New England Patriots beat the Seattle Seahawks with a score of 28 to 24.

6>82 - He was 11-over par and missed the cut.

7> Big Hero 6 - Big Hero 6 is the first Disney film to feature Marvel Comics characters.

8> Fall Out Boy - American Beauty/American Psycho made its debut at No. 1 on the US Billboard 200.

9> Windows 10 - During its first year, Windows 10 will be offered at no charge for users of Windows 8.1 and Windows 7.

10> Clint Eastwood - The movie has been nominated for six Academy Awards including Best Picture.

11> Robin Williams - Robin got his start as Mork in the sitcom Mork and Mindy in 1978.

12> The Gambler - The Gambler is based on the 1974 film of the same name, written by James Toback.

13> Taylor Swift - The song was released on Taylor's fifth studio album '1989'.

14> Fargo - Billy Bob Thornton is also the vocalist of the blues band The Boxmasters. 15> Maison Margiela - Galliano displayed his first couture collection for Margiela on January 12, 2015.

16> The Grand Budapest Hotel - The Grand Budapest Hotel also received nine Academy Award nominations including Best Picture.

17> Twin Peaks - Twin Peaks originally aired from April 1990 until June 1991.

18> The Kinks - Quite popular in England, Sunny Afternoon tells the story of the Kinks.

19> Mel Gibson - Mel Gibson plays the role of ruthless arms dealer Conrad Stonebanks.

20> Garth Brooks - Garth was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 2012.

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