

APRIL 2016 CURRENT EVENTS QUIZ



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1> On April 8th, what artist cancelled their scheduled concert in Greensboro, North Carolina, to protest the state's new controversial "bathroom bill"?

- a. Billy Joel
- b. Neil Young
- c. Paul McCartney
- d. Bruce Springsteen

2> The World Wildlife Fund reported that global populations of what endangered species are up about 20 percent over the past six years.

- a. Tigers
- b. Zebras
- c. Elephants
- d. Lions

3> Archaeologists claimed to have discovered a probable Viking settlement in what Canadian province on April 2nd, 2016?

- a. Prince Edward Island
- b. Nova Scotia
- c. Ontario
- d. Newfoundland

4> What Spanish figure skater defended his world title, winning gold at the 2016 World Figure Skating Championships?

- a. Javier Fernandez
- b. Sergei Voronov
- c. Patrick Chan
- d. Yuzuru Hanyu

5> Walt Disney Pictures released a live-action remake of what movie on April 15th, 2016?

- a. Alice in Wonderland
- b. Cinderella
- c. The Jungle Book
- d. Sleeping Beauty

6> Which British politician's approval ratings plummeted after revelations of his past investments in offshore tax havens?

- a. George Osborne
- b. Tony Blair
- c. Boris Johnson
- d. David Cameron

7> Featuring the singles "Thank God for Girls" and "Do You Wanna Get High," what American rock band released the "White Album" on April 1st, 2016?

- a. Blink-182
- b. Fall Out Boy
- c. Green Day
- d. Weezer

8> What singing competition television series concluded after 15 seasons on April 7th, 2016?

- a. Are You the Next Big Star?
- b. American Idol
- c. Star Academy?

d. Star Search

9> What army recaptured the western town of Heet, in the Anbar Province, after driving out hundreds of ISIL militants on April 14th, 2016?

- a. Iraqi Army
- b. Russian Army
- c. Iranian Army
- d. Syrian Army

10> What banking firm agreed to pay \$5.06 billion to settle allegations that it sold packages of shoddy mortgages prior to the global financial crisis?

- a. JP Morgan Chase
- b. Wells Fargo
- c. Goldman Sachs
- d. Bank of America

11> Who was the first American Secretary of State to visit Japan's Hiroshima Peace Memorial on April 11th, 2016?

- a. John Kerry
- b. Hillary Clinton
- c. Joe Biden
- d. Ash Carter

12> The Golden State Warriors team set a new NBA record for regular season wins with how many wins for the season?

- a. 73
- b. 69
- c. 61
- d. 66

13> Now in season six, what HBO hit series premieres on April 24, 2016?

- a. Game of Thrones
- b. Band of Brothers
- c. Vinyl
- d. True Detective

14> In April of 2016, Rihanna (featuring Drake) was at number one on Billboard's Top 100 with what song?

- a. Needed Me
- b. Kiss It Better
- c. Desperado
- d. Work

15> The Parliament of what nation announced it would debate a motion to impeach its President Jacob Zuma on April 3rd, 2015?

- a. Libya
- b. Algeria
- c. South Africa
- d. Egypt

Answers:

- 1> Bruce Springsteen - Bryan Adams later followed suit and also cancelled his upcoming concert.
- 2> Tigers - Over the past 100 years, tigers have lost 93 percent of their historic rangelands.
- 3> Newfoundland - Newfoundland's capital and largest city is St. John's.
- 4> Javier Fernandez - Javier is a six-time Spanish national champion.
- 5> The Jungle Book - The animal characters depicted in the film were created entirely with computer animation.
- 6> David Cameron - Cameron is currently serving as the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.
- 7> Weezer - Weezer formed in Los Angeles in 1992.
- 8> American Idol - Trent Harmon was the declared the season 15 winner.
- 9> Iraqi Army - Heet lies northwest of Ramadi, the provincial capital of the Anbar Province in Iraq.
- 10> Goldman Sachs - The settlement includes a \$2.385 billion civil penalty.
- 11> John Kerry - Nancy Pelosi was previously the highest-ranking U.S. official to visit the memorial in 2008.
- 12> 73 - The 1995-96 Chicago Bulls previously held the record with 72 wins.
- 13> Game of Thrones - Game of Thrones is based on George R.R. Martin's best-selling book series 'A Song of Ice and Fire'.
- 14> Work - Work is from Rihanna's album 'Anti'.
- 15> South Africa - Zuma violated the constitution by using state funds to renovate his mansion.

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