

ARTS AND LITERATURE TRIVIA QUESTIONS #8



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1> Author of 66 detective novels and 14 short story collections, Agatha Christie also wrote six romance novels. What was the pen name she used for the romance novels?

- a. Jean Plaidy
- b. Amanda Cross
- c. Mary Westmacott
- d. Acton Bell

2> Written in 1920, the line "And sorry I could not travel both" is taken from which famous poem?

- a. If You Forget Me
- b. If
- c. The Road Not Taken
- d. A Dream Within a Dream

3> Which famous painter painted two series of still life paintings consisting of Sunflowers?

- a. Samuel Courtauld
- b. Vincent Van Gogh
- c. Salvador Dali
- d. Rembrandt

4> Published in 1938, who wrote the science fiction novel "Out of the Silent Planet"?

- a. Washington Irving

- b. Ronnie Barker
- c. Dean Koontz
- d. C. S. Lewis

5> Which of these poems did the Irish poet William Butler Yeats write?

- a. The Life That I Have
- b. When You Are Old
- c. Where the Sidewalk Ends
- d. When I Have Fears

6> A representation of a scene from an Alfred Lord Tennyson's poem, who painted "The Lady of Shalott"?

- a. Horace Vernet
- b. Theodore Ribot
- c. Francois Lemoyne
- d. John Williams Waterhouse

7> An author of many children's books, which of these was a pen name used by Ernest Aris?

- a. John Hancock
- b. Mickey Mouse
- c. Robin A. Hood
- d. Buck Rogers

8> "The free bird leaps on the back of the wind" is a line from which of the following poems?

- a. Fire and Ice
- b. Dreams
- c. Alone
- d. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings

9> According to most historians, when did the realism art movement begin?

- a. 1760
- b. 1620
- c. 1850
- d. 1920

10> Described as "one of the strangest and most obsessive books ever written," who wrote the memoir titled "My Secret Life"?

- a. F. Scott Fitzgerald
- b. Anne Margaret
- c. Sigmund Freud
- d. Walter

11> Published in August 1906, who wrote the famous poem "The Highwayman"?

- a. Spike Milligan
- b. William Woodsworth
- c. Alfred Noyes
- d. Emily Dickinson

12> In which novel would you read about the characters of Uncle Henry, Glinda and Auntie Em?

- a. Fern Gully
- b. The Land Before Time
- c. Pinocchio
- d. The Wonderful World of Oz

13> The Italian sculptor, painter and poet Michelangelo was known for what kind of art?

- a. Romanticism

- b. Renaissance
- c. Purism
- d. Realism

14> Written in the form of a diary, who wrote the 1968 satirical novel "Myra Breckinridge"?

- a. Vidal Gore
- b. Ray Bradbury
- c. David Axton
- d. Daniel Foe

15> "Over hill, over dale, through brush, through brier" is the opening line of which famous poem?

- a. O Captain! My Captain!
- b. A Clear Midnight
- c. Remember
- d. A Fairy song

Answers:

- 1> Mary Westmacott - According to the Guinness Book of World Records, Christie is the best-selling novelist of all time with over 4 billion copies of her novels sold.
- 2> The Road Not Taken - This poem was written by Robert Frost.
- 3> Vincent Van Gogh - The first series portrays the sunflowers lying on the ground. The second shows bouquets of sunflowers in a vase.
- 4> C. S. Lewis - Two sequels to the novel were published in 1943 and 1945.
- 5> When You Are Old - Yeats also wrote 'A Crazy Girl'.
- 6> John William Waterhouse - Painted in 1888, this famous work hangs in the Tate Gallery in London.
- 7> Robin A. Hood - Aris also used the pen name Dan Crow.
- 8> I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings - The poem was written by Maya Angelou.
- 9> 1850 - The Realism movement became popular after the French Revolution.
- 10> Walter - The real identity of Walter is not known.
- 11> Alfred Noyes - The poem was voted 15th in the BBC's poll for 'The Nation's Favourite Poems'.
- 12> The Wonderful World of Oz - Published in 1900, the novel was written by L. Frank Baum.
- 13> Renaissance - Two of Michelangelo's best-known works are the Pieta and David.
- 14> Vidal Gore - Gore also wrote 'The City and the Pillar'.
- 15> A Fairy Song - The poem was written by William Shakespeare.