

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE TRIVIA QUESTIONS #103



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1> Authored by Raymond Chandler, complete the title of the first novel to feature Philip Marlowe - "The Big..."?

- a. Gun
- b. Heist
- c. Sleep
- d. Easy

2> How many loaves in a Baker's Dozen?

- a. 16
- b. 12
- c. 13
- d. 15

3> Lusitania was the Roman name for which EU country?

- a. Bulgaria
- b. Austria
- c. Estonia
- d. Portugal

4> The "Bowman's Capsule" can be found in which part of the human body?

- a. Heart
- b. Kidney
- c. Liver

d. Lungs

5> Which of the following topics would be studied by a "Tribologist"?

- a. Females
- b. Feet
- c. Friction
- d. Fractions

6> Which of these movies was first to win an Oscar for Best Picture?

- a. Gladiator
- b. Slumdog Millionaire
- c. The Hurt Locker
- d. A Beautiful Mind

7> Which European country has a flag with three bands, two reds and one white?

- a. Israel
- b. Romania
- c. Austria
- d. Hungary

8> What metal is also known as quicksilver?

- a. Gold
- b. Silver
- c. Mercury
- d. Tungsten

9> Reginald Dwight is the real name of which well-known celebrity?

- a. Sting
- b. Alice Cooper

- c. Elton John
- d. Harry Houdini

10> Kiss Me Kate, the Cole Porter musical, is based on which Shakespeare play?

- a. Macbeth
- b. Othello
- c. Hamlet
- d. The Taming of the Shrew

11> Colonel Brandon is a character in which Jane Austen novel, the first she ever published?

- a. Jane Eyre
- b. Sense and Sensibility
- c. Pride and Prejudice
- d. Emma

12> How many lines are there in a Sonnet?

- a. 2
- b. 22
- c. 14
- d. 5

13> In what year was the Academy Award winning film "American Beauty" released at the cinema?

- a. 2009
- b. 1995
- c. 1999
- d. 2001

14> The "money capital of America," on which US island is "Wall Street" located?

- a. Ellis Island
- b. Manhattan
- c. Long Island
- d. Staten

15> The "Swoosh" is the logo of which company?

- a. McDonald's
- b. Nike
- c. Hyundai
- d. Adidas

Answers:

- 1> Sleep - The Big Sleep was published in 1939.
- 2> 13 - The term a baker's dozen originated due to bakers' customarily adding an extra loaf to a dozen sold in the late 16th century.
- 3> Portugal - Portugal is situated on the Iberian Peninsula, bordering Spain and the Atlantic Ocean.
- 4> Kidney - Fluids from blood are collected in the Bowman's capsule.
- 5> Friction - Tribology is the science and engineering of interacting surfaces in relative motion.
- 6> Gladiator - The film won five Oscars including Best Picture and Best Actor for Crowe at the 73rd Academy Awards in 2001.
- 7> Austria - The design was adopted as the national flag in 1918.
- 8> Mercury - Mercury is a chemical element with symbol Hg and atomic number 80.
- 9> Elton John - Elton was born Reginald Kenneth Dwight in March of 1947.
- 10> The Taming of the Shrew - Kiss Me, Kate was written by Samuel and Bella Spewack with music by Cole Porter.
- 11> Sense and Sensibility - Sense and Sensibility was published in 1811.
- 12> 14 - Sonnets originated in Italy.
- 13> 1999 - American Beauty won Best Picture, Best Director, Best Actor (for Spacey), Best Original Screenplay and Best Cinematography Oscars.
- 14> Manhattan - Manhattan also hosts the United Nations Headquarters.
- 15> Nike - The Swoosh logo was created in 1971 by Carolyn Davidson.

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