

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE TRIVIA QUESTIONS #74



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1> Astronaut and future presidential candidate John Glenn served four terms as a US senator from what state?

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

2> Established in the US in the 1910s, whom does the Selective Service select?

- a. Military draftees
- b. Presidential candidates
- c. Potential immigrants
- d. Judicial nominees

3> Which Pre-Raphaelite painter and poet had his wife's body exhumed in 1869, seven years after she'd died, to retrieve the manuscript he'd had buried with her?

- a. Dante Gabriel Rossetti
- b. Robert Browning
- c. Lord Byron
- d. Samuel Taylor Coleridge

4> Directed by Francis Ford Coppola, which 1979 epic war film starred Marlon Brando, Robert Duvall and Martin Sheen?

- a. Apocalypse Now

- b. The Deer Hunter
- c. Platoon
- d. Full Metal Jacket

5> The coccyx was named for its resemblance to the cuckoo's beak. What is the more common name for the coccyx?

- a. Kneecap
- b. Tailbone
- c. Ear lobe
- d. Adam's apple

6> Who hosted 540 of his "closest friends" at the Black and White Ball in the Grand Ballroom of Manhattan's Plaza Hotel on November 18, 1966?

- a. Andy Warhol
- b. Nelson Rockefeller
- c. Norman Mailer
- d. Truman Capote

7> Having composed over 3,000 songs including "I Will Always Love You," who was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1999?

- a. Whitney Houston
- b. Dolly Parton
- c. Emmylou Harris
- d. Loretta Lynn

8> In West Virginia, you can see a sign in Fairmont celebrating the first Father's Day, and in Grafton, you can see a shrine honoring Anna Jarvis, who launched what other holiday?

- a. Arbor Day
- b. Thanksgiving Day
- c. Memorial Day

d. Mother's Day

9> Arthur Guinness founded the stout company. His grandson became Lord Mayor of what city?

- a. London
- b. Cardiff
- c. Glasgow
- d. Dublin

10> Hugely popular, which TV series is an adaptation of a fantasy novel series written by George R.R. Martin?

- a. Game of Thrones
- b. The Vampire Diaries
- c. Once Upon a Time
- d. Vikings

11> Rapidly being depleted through irrigation, the Ogallala Aquifer is the largest aquifer in what country?

- a. United States
- b. Argentina
- c. Ukraine
- d. Australia

12> Three days of the week were named for Norse gods. Which one was named for the Norse love goddess?

- a. Tuesday
- b. Thursday
- c. Friday
- d. Wednesday

13> What does the E stand for in the name of the radical animal-rights group PETA?

- a. Ethical
- b. Environmental
- c. Equal
- d. Extremist

14> Where would you use some bhats to buy some lemongrass rice noodles?

- a. Vietnam
- b. Korea
- c. Thailand
- d. Taiwan

15> The gay magazine "Christopher Street" was named for an actual Christopher Street in what neighborhood?

- a. Greenwich Village, New York
- b. South Beach, Miami
- c. Dupont Circle, Washington
- d. West Hollywood, Los Angeles

Answers:

- 1> Ohio - John Glenn was the first American to orbit the Earth.
- 2> Military draftees - Currently, the Selective Service has the names and addresses of over 16 million men on file.
- 3> Dante Gabriel Rossetti - The poems were strewn into her hair.
- 4> Apocalypse Now - Sheen suffered a heart attack while the movie was being filmed.
- 5> Tailbone - In humans, scientists believe that the coccyx is the remnant of a vestigial tail.
- 6> Truman Capote - Called the Party of the Century, it was thrown in honor of publisher Katharine Graham.
- 7> Dolly Parton - I Will Always Love You was a two-time U.S. country chart-topper for Parton.
- 8> Mother's Day - When Anna Jarvis died in 1948, she was buried next to her mother.
- 9> Dublin - Benjamin Guinness was elected the first Lord Mayor of Dublin in 1851.
- 10> Game of Thrones - Game of Thrones is set on the fictional continents of Westeros and Essos.
- 11> United States - It provides nearly a third of the groundwater used for American irrigation.
- 12> Friday - The love goddess being Freyja.
- 13> Ethical - The complete acronym stands for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.
- 14> Thailand - Located in Southeast Asia, Thailand was formally known as Siam.
- 15> Greenwich Village, New York - The magazine ran from 1976 to 1995.

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