

POP CULTURE TRIVIA QUESTIONS #52



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1> Who was Wedge Antilles, who notably appeared in the film series' first three outings?

- a. Inspector Clousseau's boss
- b. The real name of Freddy Kreuger's dad
- c. The 'greatest ace' pilot in the Rebel Alliance
- d. James Bond's ally in the CIA

2> What short-tempered celebrity Scotsman hosted both the US and UK versions of Hell's Kitchen?

- a. Wolfgang Puck
- b. Anthony Bourdain
- c. Michael Pollan
- d. Gordon Ramsay

3> Cher was a background vocalist on which of the following Righteous Brothers' songs from 1964?

- a. Somewhere
- b. You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling
- c. Unchained Melody
- d. The White Cliffs of Dover

4> WP Mayhew, the alcoholic Southern novelist in Barton Fink, was played by John Mahoney and based on what writer?

- a. Truman Capote
- b. William Faulkner
- c. Nathaniel West
- d. F Scott Fitzgerald

5> Which of these 80s action stars does not appear in "The Expendables," as he did not like the producer?

- a. Arnold Schwarzenegger
- b. Sylvester Stallone
- c. Steven Seagal
- d. Bruce Willis

6> In what movie does Chris Gardner briefly appear, walking past Will Smith and his son toward the end?

- a. The Pursuit of Happyness
- b. Bad Boys
- c. MIB
- d. Ali

7> Nick Hornby based what screenplay on Lynn Barber's autobiographical essay about her teenage affair with conman Simon Prewalski?

- a. An Education
- b. A Trial
- c. A Memory
- d. A Romance

8> Who recorded the 1969 double album rock opera entitled "Tommy"?

- a. Led Zeppelin
- b. Styx
- c. The Guess Who
- d. The Who

9> Who directed the 2009 version of Sherlock Holmes, with Robert Downey as a more bohemian, more physical, consulting detective?

- a. John Woo
- b. Quentin Tarantino
- c. Christopher Nolan
- d. Guy Ritchie

10> The film Bright Star is named for the line, "Bright star, would I were steadfast as thou art." What poet is the movie about?

- a. Dylan Thomas
- b. Walt Whitman
- c. WH Auden
- d. John Keats

11> Best known for playing Jay Pritchett and Al Bundy, who also played Eric Baker, the Pennsylvania governor who becomes Matt Santos' VP on the West Wing?

- a. Ed O'Reilly
- b. Ed O'Malley
- c. Ed O'Shea
- d. Ed O'Neill

12> In the late 1980s, Discovery's Steve Cheskin blurted out what idea during a brainstorming meeting at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, DC?

- a. Sex Week
- b. Shark Week
- c. Disaster Week
- d. Crime Week

13> A British version of what reality series starred Alan Sugar, who had founded the

electronics company Amstrad?

- a. Big Brother
- b. So You Think You Can Dance
- c. Top Chef
- d. The Apprentice

14> Which artist was hired as the Monkees' opening act for their 1967 summer tour?

- a. Stevie Wonder
- b. Neil Young
- c. James Brown
- d. Jimi Hendrix

15> Mr T declined and George Peppard was dead, but Dwight Schultz and Dirk Benedict cameo after the credits of the movie version of what TV series?

- a. The A Team
- b. The Saint
- c. Starsky and Hutch
- d. Maverick

16> What real-life Dave, for whom Dave's World was named, appeared on the show as a man tussling with Harry Anderson for an air conditioner?

- a. Dave Garry
- b. Dave Barry
- c. Dave Larry
- d. Dave Parry

Answers:

- 1> The 'greatest ace' pilot in the Rebel Alliance - He was the only Rebel pilot to have survived both Death Stars in combat. So yes, this is a Star Wars question.
- 2> Gordon Ramsay - The foul-mouthed man also hosts a food show called The F Word.
- 3> You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling - The song was featured in the movie Top Gun.
- 4> William Faulkner - Like Barton Fink, his first assignment for MGM was to write a wrestling movie, in this case for Wallace Beery.
- 5> Steven Seagal - Jean-Claude Van Damme rejected his role because it wasn't substantial enough, but it did include an all-star squad of action stars, such as Dolph Lundgren, Mickey Rourke, and Jet Li, as well as such recent stars such as Jason Statham.
- 6> The Pursuit of Happyness - Gardner, a homeless man who became wealthy, was played by Smith.
- 7> An Education - The movie starred Carrie Mulligan.
- 8> The Who - With over 20 million copies sold worldwide, the album tells the story of a deaf, dumb and blind kid.
- 9> Guy Ritchie - In the stories, Holmes uses a martial art called baritsu, which allowed Downey to use wing-chun kung fu, of which he is actually a practitioner.
- 10> John Keats - It stars Ben Whishaw as Keats and Abbie Cornish as Fanny Brawne.
- 11> Ed O'Neill - He often played cops, such as Joe Friday in Dick Wolf's remake of Dragnet and the bird-loving ex-cop Bill Jacks on the HBO series John From Cincinnati.
- 12> Shark Week - Discovery founder John Hendricks loved it and Shark Week transformed his channel.
- 13> The Apprentice - Also known as Baron Sugar, he has become the British Donald Trump on the BBC series.
- 14> Jimi Hendrix - He was often booed off the stage and quit after two weeks.
- 15> The A Team - Mr T was apparently upset that he couldn't reprise his character.
- 16> Dave Barry - Barry was a columnist for the Miami Herald but his TV counterpart wrote for the Miami Record-Dispatch.