## POP CULTURE TRIVIA QUESTIONS XXXIII



## ( www.TriviaChamp.com )

1> In 2010, Martin Wattenberg and Fernanda Viegas seem to have discovered something interesting about Twitter hashtags. What?

- a. Half of them are misspelled
- b. 80percent of them see 80percent of use in 80 hours
- c. Shorter ones are more popular
- d. Blacks and whites used different ones

2> It was Michael Baulderstone, not Peter Parker, who was dressed as what superhero when he stopped a man from stealing comics in Adelaide, Australia, in 2010?

- a. Wolverine
- b. Superman
- c. Batman
- d. Spider-Man

3> What was the first film to be nominated for Oscars for both Best Foreign Language Film and Best Picture?

- a. Life is Beautiful
- b. The Passion of the Christ
- c. Z
- d. Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon

4> What song/dance set the record for most-viewed YouTube video ever with more than 1 billion views (and still counting) in 2012?

- a. Superpop
- b. Call Me Maybe
- c. Wildest Moments
- d. Gangnam Style

5> What star of The Odd Couple and Quincy ME set up a chain of popcorn places, after popcorn had helped him lose weight?

- a. Tony Randall
- b. Jack Klugman
- c. Walter Matthau
- d. Jack Lemmon

6> The Watchmen were based on characters from what comic book line, which DC acquired in the 1980s?

- a. Timely Comics
- b. Harvey Comics
- c. Atlas Comics
- d. Charlton Comics

7> What movie was Wes Craven inspired to create after reading about men in Southeast Asia who were literally dying from their nightmares?

- a. Nightmare on Pine Street
- b. Nightmare on Elm Street
- c. Nightmare on Birch Street
- d. Nightmare on Oak Street

8> Which Zappa had been an MTV VJ, but was fired after trashing MTV on Howard Stern's show?

- a. Dweezil Zappa
- b. Pilot Inspektor Zappa
- c. Apple Zappa
- d. Moxie Crimefighter Zappa

9> After the credits of the first Pirates of the Caribbean, Jack Sparrow gets cursed after removing a medallion from the Aztec chest. It's not the pirate Jack Sparrow, though. Who or what is it?

- a. Jack Sparrow Junior, his son
- b. The stranded ghost when Jack comes back to life
- c. The ship he stole from Port Royal
- d. The monkey named for Jack

10> Thanks to archival footage of The Courtship of Eddie's Father, seen in the background, what dead actor cameos in one of the Hulk movies?

- a. Bill Bixby
- b. Ray Walston
- c. Richard Thomas
- d. Ron Howard

11> Frank Sinatra's last TV appearance, playing himself, was on the February 1989 "Party Double" episode of what series?

- a. Cheers
- b. Who's the Boss
- c. The Cosby Show
- d. Roseanne

12> The gossip website wwtdd.com stands for "What Would Tyler Durden Do? This is in reference to a character in what movie?

- a. The Big Lebowski
- b. American Pie
- c. Taxi Driver
- d. Fight Club

13> The very first of these awards ever presented, back in 1949, went to a ventriloquist named Shirley Dinsdale. What had she won?

- a. Pulitzer
- b. Emmy
- c. Tony
- d. Golden Globe

14> What was iTunes top selling album of 2012?

- a. Up All Night, One Direction
- b. 21, Adele
- c. Red, Taylor Swift
- d. Babel, Mumford & Sons

15> In 2012, what company purchased Lucasfilm, including the popular Star Wars franchise, and announced a new Star Wars film for 2014 release?

- a. 20th Century Fox
- b. Disney
- c. Universal Studios
- d. DreamWorks

## **Answers:**

1> Blacks and whites used different ones - They looked at the 10 most popular tags and found, for instance, that #oilspill attracted mostly whites and #cookout mostly blacks.

2> Spider-Man - About 40 people were dressed up in the comic book store for International Free Comic Day.

3> Z - Made by a Greek director in French, it was considered an Algerian movie. 4> Gangnam Style - Recorded by the South Korean musician PSY.

5> Jack Klugman - They were called Jack's Corn Cribs, but only lasted a couple of years.

6> Charlton Comics - Alan Moore's original plans would have removed Blue Beetle, Captain Atom and The Question from the rest of the DC line.

7> Nightmare on Elm Street - Called bangungot, dab tsog, laitai and hukuri it is known medically as SUDS, short for Sudden Unexpected Death Syndrome. It killed 230 Thai men from 1982-90.

8> Dweezil Zappa - He also hosted a cooking show with then-girlfriend Lisa Loeb on the Food Network.

9> The monkey named for Jack - After the second movie, we see that dog who had been chased by the natives, becomes their new god, sitting on a throne with a bone in his mouth.

10> Bill Bixby - He played the Hulk on TV, along with Lou Ferrigno, who cameos as a security guard.

11> Who's the Boss - Danza's real-life mom had said she'd know her son was a star when he introduced her to Sinatra. He treated her like a queen.

12> Fight Club - He was Brad Pitt's character.

13> Emmy - She was the Most Outstanding Television Personality for her work on the show Judy Splinters.

14> 21, Adele - Red by Taylor Swift was the second bestselling album for the year.

15> Disney - Mickey Mouse is the official mascot of The Walt Disney Company.