

POP CULTURE TRIVIA QUESTIONS #73



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1> Now a cult-classic, what 1982 Frank Zappa song features the line, "Gag me with a spoon"?

- a. Don't Eat the Yellow Snow
- b. Bobby Brown
- c. Valley Girl
- d. Joe's Garage

2> Who played the role of the mother Shirley Partridge in the 1970s musical sitcom, "The Partridge Family"?

- a. Suzanne Crough
- b. Shirley Jones
- c. Evelyn Ward
- d. Susan Dey

3> Which of the following websites was once the largest social networking site in the world?

- a. Partyflock
- b. Playfire
- c. My Space
- d. Vox

4> What American new wave band released the singles "Rock Lobster" and "Planet Claire" on their debut album in 1979?

- a. Talking Heads
- b. The Bangles
- c. The B-52's
- d. Devo

5> What is the name of Mickey Mouse's dog?

- a. Max
- b. Buddy
- c. Bailey
- d. Pluto

6> Known for his big mouth and witty lines, which boxer was given the nickname "The Louisville Lip"?

- a. Muhammed Ali
- b. Joe Louis
- c. Primo Carnera
- d. Jack Dempsey

7> Which of the following films was the first to win an Oscar for Best Picture?

- a. The Sound of Music
- b. In the Heat of the Night
- c. My Fair Lady
- d. A Man for All Seasons

8> Airing for six seasons, in what year did the animated cartoon series "The Flintstones" make its debut?

- a. 1966
- b. 1962
- c. 1960
- d. 1964

9> Which English comedian published the non-fiction book "Revolution" in 2014?

- a. Russell Brand
- b. Terry Wogan
- c. Jonathan Ross
- d. Graham Norton

10> Which British singer and actress became a judge on the UK version of "The Voice" in 2015?

- a. Beyonce
- b. Victoria Beckham
- c. Adele
- d. Rita Ora

11> This former world number one professional tennis player might be best known for a "You cannot be serious!" outburst at a 1981 tennis match.

- a. Boris Becker
- b. Ivan Lendl
- c. John McEnroe
- d. Jimmy Connors

12> Which is the correct name of a popular Canadian rock band that formed in 1996?

- a. Sum 41
- b. Sum 42
- c. Sum 40
- d. Sum 43

13> In which popular TV show does most of the action take place on the fictional continent of "Westeros"?

- a. Game of Thrones

- b. Vikings
- c. Of Kings and Prophets
- d. The Shannara Chronicles

14> Born George Herman Ruth Jr., Babe Ruth was known as the "Sultan of ____"?

- a. The Field
- b. Swat
- c. Bats
- d. Balls

15> In Disney's 1989 film "The Little Mermaid", what type of creature is Sebastian?

- a. Shark
- b. Seagull
- c. Crab
- d. Seahorse

16> Based on a novel by J. K. Rowling, in what year was the first Harry Potter film released?

- a. 1999
- b. 2001
- c. 2003
- d. 2005

17> Singer and songwriter Justin Bieber was born in which country?

- a. Canada
- b. England
- c. USA
- d. Australia

18> Playing the role of Turner, Mick Jagger starred in which of the following movies...?

- a. Black Narcissus
- b. The Life and Death of Colonel Blimp
- c. Performance
- d. I'm Alright Jack

19> Located in the New York metropolitan area, "The New York Giants" play which sport?

- a. Baseball
- b. Basketball
- c. Ice Hockey
- d. Football

20> Tom Hanks received his first Oscar nomination for his role in which 1988 comedy film?

- a. You've Got Mail
- b. Big
- c. Splash
- d. Toy Story

Answers:

1> Valley Girl - Valley Girl was co-written and sung by Frank's daughter, Moon Unit Zappa.

2> Shirley Jones - The Partridge Family aired from September 1970 to March 1974.

3> My Space - My Space was acquired by News Corporation in July 2005 for \$580 million.

4> The B-52's - The B-52's were formed in 1976.

5> Pluto - Pluto was created by Walt Disney in 1930.

6> Muhammed Ali - Muhammed was born and raised in Louisville, Kentucky.

7> My Fair Lady - Released in 1964, My Fair Lady won eight Academy Awards including Best Actor and Best Director.

- 8> 1960 - The show was produced by Hanna-Barbera. Yabba dabba doo!
- 9> Russell Brand - Revolution suggests that we do away with the 'nation state'.
- 10> Rita Ora - The Voice is a reality television singing competition.
- 11> John McEnroe - McEnroe is rated by many as among the greatest of all time in the sport of tennis.
- 12> Sum 41 - Sum 41 were originally called Kaspir.
- 13> Game of Thrones - As of 2016, Game of Thrones has won 26 Primetime Emmy Awards.
- 14> Swat - Babe Ruth won four World Series championships with the New York Yankees.
- 15> Crab - The Little Mermaid was based on the Danish fairy tale of the same name by Hans Christian Andersen.
- 16> 2001 - Warner Bros. bought film rights to the book for £1 million.
- 17> Canada - Bieber won the American Music Award for Artist of the Year in 2010 and 2012.
- 18> Performance - Performance is a British crime drama film that was released in 1970.
- 19> Football - The New York Giants were one of five teams that joined the NFL in 1925.
- 20> Big - Tom Hanks played the role of Josh Baskin, a boy who wishes to be 'big'.

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