POP CULTURE TRIVIA QUESTIONS XXII



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1> American versions of British shows usually fail because they file off the rough edges of the originals. But which of these American shows inspired a failed British version called "Days Like These"?

- a. That 70s Show
- b. Cheers
- c. All in the Family
- d. Happy Days

2> Designed by visual-effects guru Robert Mattey, the three mechanical sharks used in Jaws were collectively called Bruce, in honor of Bruce Ramer, who was which director's lawyer?

- a. George Lucas
- b. John Cameron
- c. Steven Spielberg
- d. Sam Raimi

3> Oscar-winner Shirley Jones starred with her real-life stepson David Cassidy on what TV show, modeled on the real-life family called the Cowsills?

- a. The Monkees
- b. The Brady Bunch
- c. The Partridge Family
- d. The A-Team

4> In the 2004 film, Harold Lee and Kumar Patel spend the night trying to satisfy their stoner craving for what chain's burgers?

- a. In and Out
- b. Fatburger
- c. White Castle

d. Fuddruckers

5> On what TV show were the leads replaced by their cousins, Coy and Vance?

- a. Wings
- b. Starsky and Hutch
- c. The Dukes of Hazzard
- d. Law and Order

6> Tony Danza's pro record as a boxer was four wins and three losses. And he later played a boxer on what show?

- a. Taxi
- b. Who's the Boss
- c. Cheers
- d. Hill Street Blues

7> Huey, Dewey and Louie aren't Donald's kids. They're his nephews. Who was their mother?

- a. Dumbella Duck
- b. Daffy Duck
- c. Daisy Duck
- d. Plucky Duck

8> The character of Garrett Breedlove, a retired astronaut, was created specifically for Burt Reynolds, who ended up passing on what movie to star in "Stroker Ace"?

- a. Something's Gotta Give
- b. Terms of Endearment
- c. As Good As It Gets
- d. About Schmidt

9> Mickey Rooney was Norman Lear's first choice to play what sitcom character, but begged off for fear of controversy?

- a. Barney Miller
- b. Hawkeye Pierce
- c. Archie Bunker
- d. Ted Bundy

10> What show never quite got around to admitting that Miss Kitty appeared to be the madame of a whorehouse?

- a. Bonanza
- b. The Rifleman
- c. Gunsmoke
- d. Paladin

11> There have been three failed attempts to make what British series - Chateau Snavely starring Betty White and Harvey Korman, Amanda's starring Bea Arthur and Payne starring John Larroquette?

- a. The Office
- b. The Avengers
- c. Fawlty Towers
- d. The Rise and Fall of Reginald Perrin

12> What was the first couple from "The Bachelor/ette" series to actually make it to the altar?

- a. Trista Rehn and Ryan Sutter
- b. Jesse Palmer and Jessica Bowlin
- c. Alex Michel and Trista Rehn
- d. Andrew Firestone and Jen Schefft

13> The Sea Monkeys and X-Ray Specs were both marketed in comic books by Harold Von Braunhut, who was also a big supporter of what cause?

- a. Right-wing racism
- b. Cuban communism
- c. Eco-terrorism
- d. Scientology

14> Richard Hatch, the first million-dollar winner on "Survivor", agreed to plead guilty in 2005 to what charge?

- a. Not paying taxes on that million
- b. Abusing his adopted child
- c. Driving while drunk
- d. Indecency in a public place

15> Nanette Guzman was Frasier Crane's first wife \dots and as Nanny Gee was best known for working in what field?

- a. Porn novelist
- b. Children's entertainer
- c. Soap opera star
- d. Art photographer

Answers:

1> That 70s Show - There was also a flop version of Married With Children called Married for Life and Brighton Bells was a UK version of The Golden Girls.

2> Steven Spielberg - Budget limitations meant that Bruce looked too unconvincing to be used much, so the shark was rarely seen, making it even scarier.

3> The Partridge Family - The show nearly starred the Cowsill kids, but the act was offended that mom Barbara Cowsill was not part of the deal as well.

4> White Castle - There have been a handful of other films with product names in the title including Harley Davidson and the Marlborough Man, Cadillac Man, Pontiac Moon, and most notably, The Coca-Cola Kid.

5> The Dukes of Hazzard - Tom Wopat and John Schneider had left the show after a contract dispute. They returned a season later, but by that point, the show was dead.

6> Taxi - When Taxi became a minor hit, he got \$10,000 for winning a Madison Square Garden main event in two minutes.

7> Dumbella Duck - In the 1938 Donald Duck cartoon "Donald's Nephews," Donald's sister Dumbella sent him three "angels."

8> Terms of Endearment - The part won Jack Nicholson an Oscar.

9> Archie Bunker - The role was also offered to Jackie Gleason. Rooney

suggested that Archie instead be a blind Vietnam vet who solves crimes.

10> Gunsmoke - She was played on TV by Amanda Blake, who appears to have died of an AIDS-related condition.

11> Fawlty Towers - Larroquette even got Cleese to guest star as the nice hotel ownerdown the road, but the series was canceled before Cleese could film his spot.

12> Trista Rehn and Ryan Sutter - The next one was Jason Mesnick and Molly Malaney.

13> Right-wing racism - He was a lifelong member of the KKK and the Aryan nations, although there is speculation that he was actually Jewish.

14> Not paying taxes on that million - Hatch returned for the All-Star edition, but got booted early. The producers wanted him for the Heroes vs. Villains series, but he was still under house arrest.

15> Children's entertainer - She was played on Cheers by Emma Thompson and on Frasier by Laurie Graham.