

ROCK MUSIC TRIVIA QUESTIONS XI



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1> Who said he was inspired to write "My Generation" on May 19, 1965, while on a train from London to Southampton?

- a. Ray Davies
- b. Keith Richards
- c. Pete Townshend
- d. Eric Burdon

2> The original Jumping Jack of Jumping Jack Flash fame was Jack Dyer, who was which rock star's gardener?

- a. Eric Clapton
- b. Keith Richards
- c. John Lennon
- d. Peter Frampton

3> According to Elton John, where do "the dogs of society howl"?

- a. Yellow Brick Road
- b. West of the Rockies
- c. El Dorado
- d. Honky Chateau

4> After his car hit a poultry truck, Carl Perkins was laid up as Elvis turned which of his songs into a huge hit?

- a. Hound Dog
- b. Blue Suede Shoes
- c. Heartbreak Hotel
- d. Don't Be Cruel

5> Don't know much about history, but who liked to sing "Wonderful World" to women, saying he'd just made it up on the spot?

- a. Louis Armstrong
- b. Sam Cooke
- c. Jackie Wilson
- d. Ray Charles

6> Maybe it was spicy food. Or the flu. What funk singer had a hit reporting that he woke up "in a cold sweat"?

- a. Smokey Robinson
- b. James Brown
- c. Stevie Wonder
- d. George Clinton

7> In "High Noon", his character was plotting to kill Gary Cooper's. Maybe he could have used a one-eyed, one-horned, flying purple people-eater. Who was he?

- a. Spike Jones
- b. Tiny Tim
- c. Sheb Wooley
- d. Ray Stevens

8> In 1969, Dutch millionaire Stanley August Miesegaes financially supported Rick Davies, who put an ad in Melody Maker, thus finding Roger Hodgson and forming what prog-rock band?

- a. Pink Floyd
- b. Yes
- c. Supertramp
- d. Genesis

9> In 2004, what 1980s metal star revealed that he had been training to become a New York paramedic?

- a. Alice Cooper
- b. Axl Rose
- c. David Lee Roth
- d. Lyle Lovett

10> What band stuck together in 1976, solely because the legendary Frank Zappa was willing to produce their "Good Singin', Good Playin'" album?

- a. Blue Cheer
- b. Grand Funk Railroad
- c. Bay City Rollers
- d. Emerson, Lake and Palmer

11> Brian Epstein told Lennon and McCartney to write a song specifically for the American market. It worked. In February 1964, that song was their first Billboard #1. What was it?

- a. She Loves You
- b. I Want to Hold Your Hand
- c. Love, Love Me Do
- d. Please Please Me

12> Although this band notes that "For the Love of Money", people will "steal from their mother", "rob their own brother", and "don't care who they hurt or beat", that song became the theme to "The Apprentice" anyway. What band is this?

- a. O'Jays
- b. Temptations
- c. Impressions
- d. Staple Singers

Answers:

- 1> Pete Townshend - Heading for a TV appearance, the band was still in its very early days and didn't expect to be together long.
- 2> Keith Richards - It was the last song the band played with Brian Jones.
- 3> Yellow Brick Road - He re-recorded it with George Michael, who had also been in the closet.
- 4> Blue Suede Shoes - He was on his way to perform it on the Perry Como Show when he had the accident.
- 5> Sam Cooke - That came to a stop when it became a huge hit in 1960.
- 6> James Brown - Although he helped transform soul into funk, Brown's career began to fade after disco.
- 7> Sheb Wooley - He also played Pete Nolan on Clint Eastwood's Rawhide TV series.
- 8> Supertramp - Miesegaes dropped them after two bad albums.
- 9> David Lee Roth - He was an EMT for the city of New York from 2004 to 2006, during which he was only recognized three times.
- 10> Grand Funk Railroad - The Rolling Stones called Grand Funk the worst rock band in the world, but this was long before anybody had heard Nickelback.
- 11> I Want to Hold Your Hand - They wrote it at Jane Asher's parents' house.
- 12> O'Jays - The Triumphs renamed themselves in 1963 for Cleveland DJ Eddie O'Jay.