

TRIVIA QUESTIONS XVIII

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1> Arteriosclerosis is...

- a. Collapse of the lungs
- b. Insufficient number of capillaries
- c. Hardening of the arteries
- d. An air born virus

2> How many times did the Hindenburg cross the Atlantic before it blew up?

- a. 1
- b. 14
- c. 21
- d. 23

3> How long did the Taj Mahal in Agra, India take to build?

- a. 30 years
- b. 20 years
- c. 5 years
- d. 50 years

4> Chittaranjan Andrade won a 2001 Noble Prize for his work on rhinotillexomania among Indian teenagers. What is rhino-whatchamacallit?

- a. Excessive drinking
- b. Masturbating
- c. Nose picking
- d. Flatulence

5> Which of these actors did not star in the 1960 film, The Magnificent Seven?

- a. Yul Brenner
- b. Steve McQueen

- c. John Wayne
- d. Charles Bronson

6> What Robert Indiana word-image, designed originally for a MOMA Christmas card in 1964, soon adorned college dorm walls everywhere?

- a. Freedom
- b. Love
- c. Further
- d. Wow

7> The people of what "talkative" Micronesian Island in the South Pacific use enormous stone wheels called fei as currency?

- a. Yap
- b. Gab
- c. Blab
- d. Blub

8> What Russian playwright was killed in an 1837 duel with Georges d'Anthes, whom he thought was hitting on his beautiful wife, Natalya Goncharova?

- a. Nikolai Gogol
- b. Anton Chekhov
- c. Alexander Pushkin
- d. Fyodor Dostoyevsky

9> Once Rome stopped making martyrs of Christians, Catholics looked for "white martyrs" who did extreme things to themselves. What did Simeon Stylites do for 36 years?

- a. Ate nothing but bugs
- b. Scourged himself once an hour
- c. Lived on a pillar
- d. Walked backwards

10> When this movie made its debut, it was as a silent picture. Which film is it?

- a. The Last of the Mohicans
- b. Stagecoach
- c. True Grit

d. They Call Me Trinity

11> In which of these TV shows does Leonard Nimoy play a semi-regular character?

- a. Sanctuary
- b. CSI
- c. Fringe
- d. Community

12> Who did Nicole Kidman marry after Tom Cruise?

- a. Robert De Niro
- b. Keith Urban
- c. Garth Brooks
- d. Russell Crowe

13> Who did the voice of Stripes in the movie Stripes?

- a. Frankie Muniz
- b. Michael J. Fox
- c. Jim Carrey
- d. Steve Martin

14> Which of the following people was executed on January 24, 1989?

- a. Ted Bundy
- b. Charles Manson
- c. Al Capone
- d. Patty Hearst

15> What is the capital of Chile?

- a. Bohn
- b. Buenos Aries
- c. Santiago
- d. Oslo

Answers:

- 1> Hardening of the arteries - Egyptian King Ramses II had advanced arteriosclerosis.
- 2> 21 - The Hindenburg was launched in 1936 and blew up in 1937.
- 3> 20 years - It took 20,000 workers 20 years to finish the beautiful, domed, white, marble building.
- 4> Nose picking - He found that the 200 teens in his sample did the rhino thing four times a day, although 7.6% of his sample did it more than 20 times a day.
- 5> John Wayne - The film was a western-style remake based on the 1954 Japanese film Seven Samurai.
- 6> Love - It even appeared on a US stamp in 1973, which for many years was the best-selling stamp ever printed.
- 7> Yap - One of the Caroline Islands, it provided Micronesia's only indigenous empire.
- 8> Alexander Pushkin - D'Anthes married Pushkin's sister-in-law to try to prevent the duel and was accused of cheating in it. He went on to become French minister and senator.
- 9> Lived on a pillar - He did it in northern Syria.
- 10> The Last of the Mohicans - The film made its appearance in 1920.
- 11> Fringe - Leonard plays a character called William Bell.
- 12> Keith Urban - They were married in 2006.
- 13> Frankie Muniz - The movie also features the talents of M. Emmet Walsh and Gary Bullock.
- 14> Ted Bundy - Bundy was executed in Florida.
- 15> Santiago - Buenos Aires is the capital of Argentina.