

Round 1: Clothes

1. What kind of coat takes its name from a town near Antwerp?
2. What is the only item of clothing that Kermit the frog ordinarily wears?
3. 'His clothes are loud, but never square' is a line from which Kinks song of 1966?
4. A dastar is an item of headwear with religious associations. What is it more commonly known as?
5. In which Sherlock Holmes novel is there a spate of boot thefts in which the perpetrator only ever steals one boot from the pair?
6. If you are in Spain and you are wearing a *traje de luces* ('suit of lights') what are you doing?
7. What kind of dress is referred to as a 'jumper dress' in American English?
8. Patrick Grant, Esme Young and May Martin have been Judges on which BBC reality TV programme?
9. Which kind of garment is named after a French acrobatic performer?
10. I'm wearing a uniform of blue, red, orange and yellow stripes and a silver helmet adorned with ostrich feathers – what organization do I belong to?

Round 2: General Knowledge

1. Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy and Cameron Diaz provide voices for the main characters in which animated film series?
2. By what name was the singer and civil rights activist Eunice Waymon (1933-2003) better known?
3. What is the main waterway that runs through the Grand Canyon in the USA?
4. Which month of the year takes its name from a Latin term meaning 'purification'?
5. Which Shipping Forecast area takes its name from the man who is said to have invented the modern weather forecast?
6. What part of the body do nephrologists specialise in?
7. 'At 50, everyone has the face he deserves'. These are the words of which twentieth-century British author who never got to test his own theory because he died at the age of 46.
8. What is the title of Lin-Manuel Miranda's Pulitzer prize-winning musical which opened on Broadway in 2015 & in which performers of colour are cast as the US founding fathers?
9. What kind of sauce shares its name with that of a central Asian ethnic group who were once ruled by Genghis Khan?
10. What did Vincenzo Perrugio steal on 21 August 1911?

Round 3: Creatures

1. Philip Pullman's *His Dark Materials* novels depict an alternative world in which everyone has a magical animal sidekick that embodies their 'inner self'. What is the general name for these creatures?
2. Clever Hans was an animal that became famous in the early years of the twentieth century for reportedly being able to do arithmetic, tell the time, and read German. What kind of animal was he?
3. A 'business' is the collective noun for what animal?
4. What was the name of the recent Netflix true crime series about big cat owners in the United States?
5. The Welsh corgi is most famous as the Queen's preferred breed of dog. But traditionally Corgis are working dogs. What were they bred to do?
6. What kind of creature is 'Kreacher' in the Harry Potter books?
7. Which twentieth-century artist had a pet Ocelot called Babou?
8. According to legend, what kind of creature did St Patrick banish from Ireland?
9. In 2018 a passenger tried to board a flight for Newark airport, NJ, with a peacock called Dexter. When challenged, she claimed Dexter was her ESA. What does ESA stand for?
10. What creature was the subject of Charles Darwin's last ever scientific book?

Round 4: General knowledge

1. What musical instrument did Duke Ellington play?

2. Which UK airport cancelled c.1000 flights in December 2018 because of drone sightings?
3. How did the merchant vessels known as the Mi Amigo and the Ross Revenge become famous/notorious?
4. How many denominations of Euro banknote are there?
5. In particle physics, what is the term for a subatomic composite particle made of two or more quarks held together by the strong force?
6. What is the name of the tool used by a cobbler to pierce holes in leather?
7. Bagdemagus, Elyan the White and Yvain the Bastard are members of which legendary community?
8. What is the name of the private bank founded in 1692 whose clients include the UK royal family?
9. What is the technical name for clouds that take the form of thin, wispy strands?
10. What is only South American country that lies entirely south of the tropic of Capricorn?

Round 4 answers

Round 5: The year of our lord 1985

1. The 1985 Oscar for best picture went to *Amadeus*, a film about the rivalry between Mozart and which Italian composer?
2. Supply the final two words that complete of the following sentence, which was spoken by the broadcaster Richard Skinner in July 1985.

‘It’s 12noon in London, it’s 7am in Philadelphia, and around the world it’s time for ____ ____’?

3. Which world-famous consumer product had a re-launch in 1985 that was so disastrous it was reversed after 77 days?

4. Name the Welsh fashion designer and businesswoman, famed for her rural styles on natural fabrics, who died in September 1985?

5. Name the super-successful footballer who was born on 5 February 1985 and whose name is partly inspired by his mother’s admiration for the then US president?

6. Which 1985 film is about a car that does remarkable things when its speed reaches 88 mph?

7. What is 1985 in Roman numerals?

8. Name the vessel that was sunk by French security services in Auckland Harbour on 10 July 1985

9. The charity Comic Relief was founded in 1985 by Richard Curtis and which British comedian?

10. The world championship final for which sport drew BBC2’s highest ever ratings in April 1985?

Round 6: General knowledge

1. Which world-famous landmark is 27.2 degrees north, 78 degrees east?

2. In which European country did the so-called ‘pyjama coup’ of February 1975 take place? (It was called the pyjama coup because the

ringleaders, a group of far-right army officers, were asleep in their beds when they were rounded up by the authorities).

3. According to the Bible, on which day of creation did God create human beings?

4. What is the fastest-spinning planet in our solar system?

5. Who was UK prime minister when England won the football world cup?

6. The Van Tulleken twins have co-presented a number of shows on British TV. What is their professional background?

7. In IT circles, what two-word term is used to describe 'ethical' computer hackers who are recruited by organizations to test their cyber-security defences?

8. Name any one of the so-called 'big three' English furniture makers of the eighteenth century.

9. Which Steven Spielberg movie takes its name from a phrase coined by the scientist Josef Allen Hynek?

10. 'Good things come to those who wait' was an ad slogan for Heinz ketchup in the 1980s. For which other product did it become a slogan in the 1990s and 2000s?