

## Films & TV

**46 Question 1** A play by Murray Burnett and Joan Alison called 'Everybody Comes to Rick's' was made into a classical film. What was it called?

**Answer** Casablanca

**47 Question 2** For which fictional company does James Bond often claim to work?

**Answer** Universal Exports

**48 Question 3** In John Carpenter's film (and Stephen King's novel) 'Christine', who or what was Christine?

**Answer** A red and white 1958 Plymouth Fury

**49 Question 4** In the Sylvester Stallone films, what was Rocky's surname?

**Answer** Balboa (Robert Balboa, Sr)

**50 Question 5** In which film was the word 'Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious' used?

**Answer** Mary Poppins

**51 Question 6** What are 'The Bedrock Bugle' and 'The Daily Slab'?

**Answer** Fred Flintstone's newspapers

**52 Question 7** Which 1926 film by Fritz Lang showed impoverished workers living under a city inhabited by the wealthy?

**Answer** Metropolis

**53 Question 8** Who are known in different countries as 'Gøg og Gokke', 'Crick e Crock', 'Flip i Flap', 'Dick und Doof', or 'El Gordo y El Flaco'?

**Answer** Laurel and Hardy: in Danish, Italian, Polish, German and Spanish.

**54 Question 9** Who played characters with names such as Otis B. Driftwood, Rufus T. Firefly, and Dr Hugo Z. Hackenbush?

**Answer** Groucho Marx (in A Night at the Opera, Duck Soup, and A Day at the Races)

**55 Question 10** 'Tall, Dark, and Gruesome' is the autobiography of which British actor?

**Answer** Christopher Lee

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## Geography

<sup>2</sup>	<b>Question 11</b>	In Australia, in which month of the year is the longest day?
	Answer	December
<sup>6</sup>	<b>Question 12</b>	In which city is Marco Polo airport?
	Answer	Venice
<sup>7</sup>	<b>Question 13</b>	In which US state would you find the Everglades?
	Answer	Florida
<sup>8</sup>	<b>Question 14</b>	Which country has a birth rate of zero?
	Answer	The Vatican
<sup>9</sup>	<b>Question 15</b>	Which European country is called the 'Eastern kingdom' in its own language?
	Answer	Austria (Osterreich)
<sup>10</sup>	<b>Question 16</b>	Which is the largest Spanish-speaking country in terms of population?
	Answer	Mexico
<sup>12</sup>	<b>Question 17</b>	Which US city is nicknamed the 'City of Brotherly Love' as that is what its name means in Greek?
	Answer	Philadelphia (Ancient Greek: φίλος phílos (beloved, dear) and ἀδελφός adelphós (brother, brotherly)).
<sup>13</sup>	<b>Question 18</b>	Which river separates Buda from Pest?
	Answer	The Danube
<sup>14</sup>	<b>Question 19</b>	Which is the smallest state in Australia?
	Answer	Tasmania
<sup>16</sup>	<b>Question 20</b>	Avianca is the national airline of which South American country?
	Answer	Colombia

## Geography

## History

<sup>3</sup> **Question 21** What is the name of the gate in the Tower of London that leads onto the Thames?

**Answer** Traitors' Gate

<sup>11</sup> **Question 22** How many kings did the United Kingdom have in 1936?

**Answer** Three: George V, Edward VIII from 20 January to 11 December 1936, and George VI

<sup>15</sup> **Question 23** Who famously said Africa starts at the Pyrenees?

**Answer** Napoleon I

<sup>18</sup> **Question 24** Only one South American country has had a Monarchy. Which was it?

**Answer** Brazil

<sup>19</sup> **Question 25** The St Valentine's Day Massacre took place in which city?

**Answer** Chicago

<sup>20</sup> **Question 26** What in 1982 were Operation Rosario and Operation Corporate?

**Answer** The Falklands War

<sup>21</sup> **Question 27** What in the twentieth century was known as 'The Emergency' in Ireland?

**Answer** The Second World War

<sup>22</sup> **Question 28** When Spaniards first arrived in the Canary Islands they found a native population (which for the usual colonial reasons no longer exists). What were they called? (Collectively, not each one of them.)

**Answer** Guanches

<sup>23</sup> **Question 29** Who discovered the Tristan da Cunha islands in 1506?

**Answer** Tristan (or Tristão) da Cunha

<sup>24</sup> **Question 30** Who was the Irish missionary who sailed west across the Atlantic before the Vikings or Columbus?

**Answer** Saint Brendan

## History

## Literature

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- <sup>25</sup> **Question 31** At what age do Adrian Mole's diaries start?
- Answer** 13¾ years old
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- <sup>26</sup> **Question 32** In George Orwell's novel '1984', what is 'Airstrip One'?
- Answer** Britain
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- <sup>27</sup> **Question 33** In which novel were the Eloi living above ground and the Moorlocks below?
- Answer** 'The Time Machine' by H.G. Wells
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- <sup>29</sup> **Question 34** What is Winnie short for in Winnie-the-Pooh?
- Answer** Winnipeg
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- <sup>30</sup> **Question 35** What was the name of the ship sailed by Jason when he searched for the Golden Fleece?
- Answer** Argo
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- <sup>31</sup> **Question 36** Which author's first names were John Ronald Reuel?
- Answer** J.R.R. Tolkien
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- <sup>32</sup> **Question 37** Which Dubliner wrote 'Dracula'?
- Answer** Abraham 'Bram' Stoker
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- <sup>33</sup> **Question 38** Which famous book title translated means 'no place' or 'place that does not exist'?
- Answer** Utopia
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- <sup>34</sup> **Question 39** Which Nobel prize winner, born in Bombay, was named after a lake in Staffordshire where his parents had originally met?
- Answer** John Rudyard Kipling named after Rudyard Lake in Staffordshire
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- <sup>35</sup> **Question 40** Who gave directions to his home as 'second to the right and straight on till morning'?
- Answer** Peter Pan - The Disney version is slightly different: 'second star to the right...
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## Literature

## Science & Nature

<sup>56</sup> **Question 41** BASIC, Perl, and Python are types of what?

**Answer** Programming languages

<sup>57</sup> **Question 42** During which phase of the moon can a solar eclipse occur?

**Answer** New moon

<sup>58</sup> **Question 43** Graphite is composed of which element?

**Answer** Carbon

<sup>59</sup> **Question 44** How many carats in pure gold?

**Answer** 24

<sup>60</sup> **Question 45** If, in Japan, you were travelling on a 'Shinkansen', what mode of transport would you be using?

**Answer** A high speed train. Shinkansen (新幹線) means "new main line".

<sup>61</sup> **Question 46** Mrs. Thomas Smith of Ryde, NSW, Australia, produced a new variety of fruit in 1868. What is it called?

**Answer** The Granny Smith apple

<sup>62</sup> **Question 47** The detrimental effects of DHMO (di-hydrogen monoxide) were spelled out in the early 90s. What is di-hydrogen monoxide?

**Answer** Water

<sup>63</sup> **Question 48** The X-Men character Wolverine is named after the animal of the same name. What kind of animal is a wolverine?

**Answer** The wolverine (*Gulo gulo*) is a member of the weasel family (Mustelidae)

<sup>64</sup> **Question 49** What extinct creature got its name from the Portuguese word for stupid?

**Answer** Dodo

<sup>65</sup> **Question 50** What is measured in Amperes?

**Answer** Electric current

## Science & Nature

## Sport

- <sup>36</sup> **Question 51** First seen internationally in the 1968 Olympics, most modern high jumpers use a back first technique developed by which American athlete?
- Answer** Dick Fosbury developed what is now called the Fosbury Flop
- <sup>37</sup> **Question 52** In Judo, what is a judogi (柔道着 or 柔道衣)?
- Answer** The traditional uniform, also called also called keikogi or dogi
- <sup>38</sup> **Question 53** In which sport do you have a short stop and you can have a pinch hitter, a long reliever or a closer?
- Answer** Baseball
- <sup>39</sup> **Question 54** Which martial art, when translated, originally meant 'Chinese hand' and now means 'empty hand'?
- Answer** Karate
- <sup>40</sup> **Question 55** Who irritated Hitler by winning four gold medals in the Olympics?
- Answer** Jesse Owens, by winning four gold medals: 100 meters, long jump, 200 meters, and 4 × 100-meter relay.
- <sup>41</sup> **Question 56** Who is the youngest person to race in a Formula 1 Grand Prix?
- Answer** Max Verstappen, who was 17 years and 166 days old
- <sup>42</sup> **Question 57** Who was the first gymnast to score a maximum 10 points (seven 10s) in the Olympics?
- Answer** Nadia Comaneci in 1976
- <sup>43</sup> **Question 58** Which country has won the most medals in the Winter Olympics (to February 2022)?
- Answer** Norway (405)
- <sup>44</sup> **Question 59** From which Spanish city is the Gymnastic football (soccer) team?
- Answer** Tarragona
- <sup>45</sup> **Question 60** In which alpine resort were the first ever Winter Olympics held in 1924?
- Answer** Chamonix (France)

## Sport

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## Spot

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<sup>5</sup> **Question 61** A black letter 'A' in a white oval on the back of a car denotes it is from which country?

**Answer** Austria

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<sup>4</sup> **Question 62** A sesquicentennial celebrates how many years?

**Answer** 150

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<sup>66</sup> **Question 63** What kind of animal is a blue-fronted parrot?

**Answer** A parrot

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<sup>67</sup> **Question 64** What is the former name of Thailand?

**Answer** Siam

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## Tie-breaker

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<sup>28</sup> **Question 65** What day is June 16th in literary circles?

**Answer** Bloomsday (the day in 1904 that the events in 'Ulysses' take place)

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<sup>1</sup> **Question 66** What is another name for the Union Jack?

**Answer** The Union Flag. From early in its life the Admiralty itself frequently referred to the flag as the Union Jack, whatever its use, and in 1902 an Admiralty circular announced that Their Lordships had decided that either name could be used officially. In 1908, a government minister stated, in response to a parliamentary question, that the Union Jack should be regarded as the National flag."

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<sup>68</sup> **Question 67** Alcock and Brown became well know by achieving what?

**Answer** The first non-stop trans-atlantic flight, in 1919. Lindbergh only achieved the first solo crossing nearly eight years later.

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