

## Questions

### Round 1 (Marco): Geography

1. The only piece of land unclaimed by any country, Bir Tawil, is situated between which two countries?
2. The smallest house in the UK is located in which Welsh town?
3. Which of the Great Lakes is entirely within the US?
4. Seville is the capital of which Spanish autonomous community (similar to a US state for reference?)
5. The Hoover Dam is built on the border of which two States in America?

### Round 2 (Marco): Science/Maths

1. How many chemical elements are named after the Swedish town of Ytterby?
2. What is the more common name for the astronomical object officially called 134340 since 2006?
3. What connects the numbers 4, 6, 8, 12 and 20?
4. In which month this year did famous theoretical physicist Stephen Hawking pass away?
5. How many affiliates of the University of Cambridge have been awarded the Nobel Prize? For bonus marks, 0.5 each, which college has the most Nobel Laureates and how many?

### Round 3 (Akos): Food and Drink

1. The word ketchup originates from the Chinese term kôe-chiap or kê-chiap, which was a widely used sauce in 17th century China, and which had little to do with today's well-known condiment. What was the main ingredient of the original Chinese sauce?
2. Not counting water, what is the most consumed beverage in the world?
3. What is the name of the traditional Spanish soup famous for being served cold?
4. Why is Parmesan not considered vegetarian?
5. How many calories are there in a medium sized portion of Mcdonald's fries in the UK? **± 30?**

### Round 4 (Akos): Literature

1. In Arthur Conan Doyle's original stories, how many times does Sherlock Holmes say the famous catchphrase "Elementary, my dear Watson"?
2. For one mark each, which famous book by which British author was banned in China in the 1930s, the reasoning behind which was that "animals should not use human language, and it is disastrous to put animals and human beings on the same level."
3. Great detectives always have a sidekick such as what Robin is to Batman or what Watson is to Sherlock Holmes. In Agatha Christie's novels, what is the name of Hercule Poirot's loyal, albeit somewhat naïve companion?
4. In The Lord of the Rings, Edoras is the capital of which region of Middle Earth?
5. Who wrote the 1999 novel 'Girl with a Pearl Earring'?

#### Round 5 (Lucy) Film and TV

1. In the US sitcom 'Scrubs,' what flavour martini is the main character 'JD' notorious for drinking?
2. Name the two English country houses used in the 2005 film *Pride and Prejudice* to stand for the Pemberley Estate.
3. What is the name of Brad Pitt's character in the 1999 film 'Fight Club'?
4. In the *Breaking Bad* episode *Caballo Sin Nombre*, what item of food does Walter White throw onto the roof of his house?
5. What is the title of the renowned Spanish filmmaker Bunuel's 1972 film in which a group of people want to have dinner together but never quite manage to?

#### Round 6 (Lucy) Music

1. Who was the first woman to have a UK number one with a self-written song?
2. Which composer's 7th symphony was titled 'Leningrad'?
3. How many studio albums were released by American Rock band Green Day in the year 2012?
4. Which Korean pop group became the first to have a single in the UK Top 40, and how many members do they have?
5. With the exception of *The Sound Of Music* (the original soundtrack), only three artists had a number one album in the UK charts in 1965. Name the artists. One point for each correct answer.

#### Jackpot round

In kilometres, what is the sum of the length of the four longest rivers in the world, the Amazon River, the Nile, the Yangtze, and the Yellow River?

## Answers

### Round 1

1. Egypt and Sudan
2. Conwy
3. Michigan
4. Andalusia
5. Arizona and Nevada

### Round 2

1. 4
2. Pluto
3. Number of faces of Platonic solids
4. March
5. 107 ( $\pm 5$ ), Trinity, 33

### Round 3

1. Fermented/Pickled fish/shellfish, fish is worth 0.5
2. Tea
3. Gazpacho
4. It contains Rennet
5. 337 kcal ( $\pm 30$ ), which is actually 337000 calories, which is 1410 kJ

### Round 4

1. Zero
2. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland (accept Alice in Wonderland) by Lewis Carroll/Charles Dodgson (his real name)
3. Arthur Hastings (Hastings is fine)
4. Rohan
5. Trachy Chavalier

### Round 5

1. Apple
2. Chatsworth and Wilton
3. Tyler Durden
4. A Pizza
5. The Discreet Charm of the Bourgeoisie

### Round 6

1. Kate Bush
2. Shostakovich
3. 3
4. BTS, 7
5. The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Bob Dylan

### Picture round (7)

1. Chile
2. Haiti
3. South Africa
4. Sweden
5. Thailand
6. Cuba
7. Mexico
8. Portugal

Jackpot round: 6992 km + 6853 km + 6300 km + 5464 km = **25609 km (25096.82 - 26121.18) $\mu$**