**Round 1 - Sport**

1. In cycling, what do the initials BMX stand for? ***Bicycle motocross / bike motocross***
2. In golf, what do you have to do to get a *condor*? ***Hit 4 strokes under par***
3. Champion boxer Wladimir Klitschko is from which country? ***The Ukraine***
4. How long, in metres, is a furlong? (5% either way) ***201.17 metres (191.11m – 211.23m)***
5. In what year did the first Wimbledon tennis championship take place? (3 years either way) ***1877 (1874 – 1880)***
6. In 1971, astronaut Alan Shepard became the only human being in existence to do what? ***Play golf on the moon / anywhere other than on Earth***
7. Which baseball player – considered by many to be the greatest of all time – holds the record for the most career home runs at 714? ***Babe Ruth (George Herman Jr)***
8. In football, Stephan “Stanis” Dembicki holds the record for the most goals scored in a single match. How many did he score? (1 either way). ***16 (15 – 17) (whilst playing for RC Lens against Auby-Asturies in 1942)***

**Round 2 – Literature**

1. Rene Goscinny and Albert Uderzo are best known for creating which comic character? ***Asterix the Gaul***
2. What is the best-selling book in the world? ***The Bible (over 5 billion copies sold)***
3. What is the second best-selling book in the world? (bonus point for how many, 20 million either way) ***Quotations from the Work of Mao Tse-tung / Little Red Book. 820 million (800 – 840 million)***
4. What is the title of the final and unfinished novel by Charles Dickens? ***The Mystery of Edwin Drood***
5. Who wrote the *Fifty Shades of Grey* books? ***E.L. James***
6. Author Harper Lee’s most notable work was *To Kill a Mockingbird*. What is the title of her second-most notable work, not released until 2015? ***Go Set a Watchman***
7. Who wrote the novel *Farenheit 451*? ***Ray Bradbury***
8. Singer Sting wrote the hit *Every Breath You Take* in which author’s house? (clue: very popular series of books, been made into films, other authors have even written new books for the franchise) ***Ian Flemming (written in Flemming Villa at the Goldeneye estate, Jamaica)***

**Round 3 – Connections round**

1. What home video format, resembling a giant CD, was first released in 1978 and never really caught on? ***LaserDisc (George Lazenby)***
2. Which US singer, who has sold over 75 million records and is known for his husky pop-rock ballads and (once) long hair, had a huge hit in 1991 with his cover of *When a man loves a woman*? ***Michael Bolton (Timothy Dolton)***
3. Who starred opposite Dame Judi Dench in the 1997 historical drama *Mrs Brown*? ***Billy Connolly (Sean Connery)***
4. Which unbelievably wank singer was charicatured in the sketch show Bo Selecta, where he would often be accompanied by Kes the kestrel? ***Craig David (Daniel Craig)***
5. What term refers primarily to the Muslim inhabitants of the Maghreb, the Iberian Peninsula, Sicily and Malta during the Middle Ages? The name was also later applied to Arabs (clue: Morgan Freeman played one in *Robin Hood Prince of Thieves*) ***Moors (Roger Moore)***
6. Which video game series sees a pair of plumbers repeatedly save a princess from an evil turtle? ***Super Mario Bros (Pierce Brosnan)***

**Connection: actors who played James Bond (in the official Bond series)**

**BREAK**

**Round 4 – Music**

1. Which band released a 1974 album entitled *Crime of the Century*? ***Supertramp***
2. Larry Mullen Jr is the drummer in which Irish Band? ***U2***
3. What is the best-selling album of all time? (album title only, bonus point for number of copies sold, 5% either way) ***Thriller (Michael Jackson), 47.3 million (44,935,000 – 49,665,000)***
4. What is the second best-selling album of all time (album title only, bonus point for number of copies sold, 5% either way) ***Back in Black (AC/DC), 26.1 million (24,795,000 – 27,405,000)***
5. Which singer has the nickname *The Groover from Vancouver*? ***Bryan Adams***
6. Which group performed the track *Born Slippy* from the soundtrack to the 1996 film *Trainspotting?* ***Underworld***
7. Who originally wrote the song *Hallelujah*, popularised by Jeff Buckley? ***Leonard Cohen***
8. Who is Ireland’s biggest selling solo artist? ***Enya***

**Round 5 – Science & technology**

1. In December 1979, which human disease was certified to have been eradicated? ***Smallpox***
2. In what year did the Apple App Store launch? ***2008***
3. In the human body, what is stored in the adipose tissue? ***Fat***
4. How long does it take for light to travel from the Earth to the Sun? (10 seconds either way) ***8 min 20 sec (8:10 – 8:30)***
5. Who said “The good thing about science is that it’s true whether you believe it or not”? ***Neil deGrasse Tyson***
6. What does SONAR stand for? ***SOund Navigation And Ranging***
7. In what country was the Uzi submachine gun developed? ***Israel***
8. Grand Theft Auto 5 was released in 2013. Which GTA game was the first to be a 3D, open world game? (bonus point for the year, dead on) ***GTA3 (released in 2002)***

**Round 6 – TV & film**

1. Who plays Wilson Fisk (AKA the Kingpin) in the Marvel Netflix series *Daredevil*? ***Vincent D’Onofrio***
2. In which of the Rocky films was the song *Eye of the Tiger* by Survivor first used? ***Rocky III***
3. What is Special Agent Mulder’s first name, which he hated being called by, in the TV show *The X-Files*? ***Fox***
4. Who directed the 1995 thriller *Se7en*? ***David Fincher***
5. What colours were the two pills offered to Keanu Reeves’ character Neo in the film *The Matrix*? ***Red and blue (½ point for each)***
6. Who played the male lead in the 1946 film *It’s a Wonderful Life*? ***James Stewart***
7. Which TV medical drama that began in 1994 was created by Michael Crichton? ***ER***
8. In the film *The* Terminator, what year were the Terminator and Kyle Reese sent back from to 1984? (1 year either way) ***2029 (2028-2030)***

**Jackpot question:** the RMS Titanic sank after colliding with an iceberg on its maiden voyage in the North Atlantic Ocean in 1912. At what depth, in metres, does the wreck lie? (2% either way) ***3784m (3708m – 3860m)***

**Round 7 - picture round: name the movie from the snippet of its poster**

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| 1 – The Dawn of the Dead | 2 – 2001: A Space Oddesey | 3 – Halloween |
| 4 – Blade Runner | 5 – Vertigo | 6 – The Silence of the Lambs |
| 7 - Jaws | 8 – Ersaerhead | 9 – The Exorcist |
| 10 – Amadeus | 11 – Chinatown | 12 – Blue Velvet |
| 13 – Alien | 14 – Metropolis | 15 – The Goonies |
| 16 – Poltergeist | 17 – Dawn of the Dead | 18 – Scream |