**Round 1 – General Knowledge**

1. Which brand of cat food shares its name with a Biblical land? ***Sheba***
2. Who retired last year after 32 years on Radio 4’s *Today Show?* ***John Humphrys***
3. Which tyre company famously owns a fleet of blimps? ***Goodyear***
4. The boneshaker was an early type of which form of transport, so named because of how uncomfortable it was? ***Bicycle***
5. Which country is the teenage environmentalist Greta Thunberg from? ***Sweden***
6. What type of animal killed the Australian naturalist Steve Irwin? ***Stingray***

**Round 2 – Music**

1. At which prison in San Francisco did country star Johnny Cash famously perform two live concerts? (Metallica also performed there for their *St Anger* album) ***San Quentin***
2. Which English singer-songwriter had a 2011 hit with *Lego House?* ***Ed Sheeran***
3. Who performed with the Pet Shop Boys on the 1995 song *Hello Spaceboy?* ***David Bowie***
4. Which company’s name featured in the title of the 2005 one-hit-wonder from Nizlopi? ***JCB***
5. LadBaby got the UK Christmas number one spot this year for the second year in a row, but which are the only two acts to ever have three consecutive UK Christmas number ones? ***The Beatles and The Spice Girls (½ point each)***

**Round 3 – Science & Nature**

1. What is the largest known living fish (i.e. extinct species don’t count)? ***Whale shark***
2. What is the *umbilicus* better known as? ***Belly button***
3. What name is given to the lowest layer of the atmosphere? ***Troposphere***
4. Copper is named after which island in the Mediterranean? ***Cyprus***
5. What is the name given to the roughly 24-hour cycle in the physiological processes of living beings? ***Circadian rhythm***
6. What do you get if you add Carbon, Hydrogen and Americium to Phosphorous? ***CHAmP!***

**Round 4 – Connections**

1. Which was the first film to feature Kurt Russell as the antihero Snake Plissken? ***Escape from New York (1981 / 1997)***
2. Which film contains the line “I’ve seen things you people wouldn’t believe. Attack ships on fire off the shoulder of Orion. I watched C-beams glitter in the dark near the Tannhauser gate. All those moments will be lost in time… like tears in rain… time to die”? ***Blade Runner (1982 / 2019)***
3. Which Australian post-apocalyptic movie was Mel Gibson’s breakthrough role? ***Mad Max (1979 / 1994)***
4. Which 1975 film stars *Kung Fu*’s David Carradine and Sylvester Stallone as drivers in a deadly race across America? ***Death Race 2000 (1979 / 2000)***
5. Which movie stars Jean-Claude Van Damm as an officer whose job it is to protect time? ***TimeCop (1994 / 2004)***
6. Which film directed by Kathryn Bigelow features a technology that allows memories to be recorded on discs that other people can then playback and experience as if they were there? Clue: the line “right here, right now” spoken by one character was sampled by Fatboy Slim in the song of the same name. ***Strange Days (1995 / 1999)***

Connection: ***They’re all films that were sit in a future year that is now in the past (½ point only for films set in the future, full point for now in the past)***

**Round 5 – History**

1. How was William Cody better known: Billy the Kid or Buffalo Bill? ***Buffalo Bill***
2. In which country did Israeli agents capture the Nazi war criminal Adolf Eichmann in 1960? ***Argentina***
3. By what name are the young Edward V and his brother, The Duke of York, best remembered? ***The Princes in the Tower***
4. From which European country did Indonesia win its independence in 1949? ***Holland / The Netherlands***
5. In which British city did the American businessman John DeLorean famously open a car factory? ***Belfast***
6. In what year was Cambridge granted its city charter? ***1951 (full point for 1951, ½ point for correct decade)***

**Round 6 – Acceptable in the 80s**

1. What household appliance, popular in the 1980s, had the advertising slogan “Get busy with the fizzy”? ***SodaStream***
2. Which head of state was executed by firing squad with his wife on Christmas Day, 1989? ***Nicolae Ceausescu***
3. Why did Colin Pitchfork become infamous in both scientific and criminal history in 1987? ***First person to be convicted using DNA fingerprinting evidence***
4. How many people watched the Live Aid concerts on TV in 1985? ***1.9 billion (10% either way: 1.71 – 2.09 billion)***
5. The VHS format won the battle for dominance in video cassette formats and became the industry standard in the 1980s. What was the name of its main competitor? ***Betamax***

**Round 7 – Picture round – name the film from the distorted film poster**

**NB: 1 point for each**

1. Almost Famous
2. Jaws
3. Terminator 2
4. Rambo: First Blood
5. Scream
6. Star Wars: The Last Jedi
7. Apocalypse Now
8. The Silence of the Lambs
9. The Shawshank Redemption
10. The Matrix

**Jackpot question**

The DC Comics character Batman has been around for many years. As of today, how many days has it been since he made his first appearance, in the pages of *Detective Comics? (2% either way)*

**Answer: 29,510 days (28,920 – 30,100 days).**

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