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#### Round 1 - The Boat Race!

- 1) In what year was the first men's boat race held? (2 either way). 1829 (1827 1831)
- 2) In what year was the first women's boat race held? (2 either way). 1927 (1925 1929)
- 3) How long is the race in kilometres? (10% either way). 6.78 (6.10km 7.46km)
- 4) In what year was the men's boat race disrupted and halted for over 30 minutes when Australian Trenton Oldfield swam between the boats in an attempted act of protest? (exact only). **2012**
- 5) In 2021, due to the pandemic the race was not held on the river Thames. Which river was it held on instead? (Great) Ouse
- 6) What was unusual about the result of the 1877 boat race, especially considering the race judge, John Phelps, was reportedly over 70 and blind in one eye? *It was a dead heat / draw*

#### Round 2 – TV & Movies

- 1) Which TV series centres on the wacky exploits of Dr John Dorian? Scrubs
- 2) Which 2012 film directed by Kathryn Bigelow chronicles the multi-year hunt for Osama Bin Laden? Zero Dark Thirty
- 3) What was the full name of the character played by Kevin Spacey in the Netflix series *House of Cards*? (½ point each for forename and surname). *Frank Underwood*
- 4) Which 2013 film starring Chiwetel Ejiofor centres on a 19<sup>th</sup> century free black man who is kidnapped and sold into slavery? *12 Years a Slave*
- 5) Which Amazon Prime series, based on a book by Philip K Dick, is set in an alternate reality where the Nazis and Japan won the Second World War? *The Man in the High Castle*
- 6) In the first Back to the Future film, what year does Marty McFly travel back in time from? (exact only) 1985

## Round 3 – Random Knowledge

- What do the duck-billed platypus and four species of echidna all have in common? (Only) mammals that lay eggs
- 2) Which multinational company specialising in sports clothing, equipment and accessories takes its name from the Greek goddess of victory? *Nike*
- 3) Which is the best-selling brand of cigarettes in the world? *Marlborough*
- 4) In what year was Amazon founded by Jeff Bezos? (exact only). 1994
- 5) Which is bigger by surface area; Japan or the United Kingdom (i.e. England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland)? *Japan (377.915km² vs 243.10 km²)*
- 6) The series of programs, public work projects, financial reforms and regulations enacted by Franklin D. Roosevelt in the 1930s was better known as what? *The New Deal*

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### Round 4 – All according to my design...

1) Which British designer designed the iPod, iMac, iPhone and also helped design the robot *Eva* from the Pixar Film *Wall-E?* (*John*) *Ive* 

- 2) In the first Star Wars film, what vital item is R2D2 carrying? Designs of the Death Star
- 3) Who designed St Paul's Cathedral? Christopher Wren
- 4) What is the term for a word, art form or other symbolic representation whose elements retain meaning when viewed or interpreted from a different direction, perspective or orientation? *Ambigram*
- 5) Which fashion designer was murdered by spree killer Andrew Cunanan on 15<sup>th</sup> July 1997? (Gianni) Versace

### Round 5 – Who said this? Boris Johnson or Homer Simpson?

- 1) If I could just say a few words, I'd be a better public speaker. Homer Simpson
- 2) There is absolutely no-one, apart from yourself, who can prevent you, in the middle of the night, from sneaking down to tidy up the edges of that hunk of cheese at the back of the fridge. *Boris Johnson*
- 3) Facts are meaningless. You could use facts to prove anything that's even remotely true. Homer Simpson
- 4) Stupidity got us into this mess and stupidity will get us out. *Homer Simpson*
- 5) My friends, as I have discovered myself, there are no disasters, only opportunities. And, indeed, opportunities for fresh disasters. *Boris Johnson*
- 6) My policy on cake is pro having it and pro eating it. **Boris Johnson**
- 7) Even communism works... in theory. Homer Simpson

#### Round 6 - Picture round - name the film from the distorted film poster

## ½ 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**

**Question:** The DC Comics character Superman has been around for many years, first appearing in Action Comics #1. As of today, how long has it been since that comic was published, in *hours*.

Info: Action Comics #1 was published on 18th April 1938, which was 30,668 days ago...

Answer: 736,032 hours (721,311 - 750,753)

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Round 6 – Picture round – name the film from the distorted film poster (½ point for each)

