



Quiz 18th June - Questions

1. What is the county town of Shropshire?
2. Dallas, Texas, is linked geographically to which other city, with which it shares an international airport?
3. In which century did diarist Samuel Pepys die?
4. In 1987, which jockey was jailed after being found guilty of tax fraud?
5. Julian Lloyd Webber is a virtuoso player of which instrument?
6. Who produced Ike and Tina Turner's River Deep, Mountain High; using his characteristic 'wall of sound' aural effect?
7. What is the Latin name for the 'northern lights', the high-atmosphere effects seen in high latitude northern hemisphere regions?
8. What is the Latin name for the 'southern lights', the high-atmosphere effects seen in high latitude southern hemisphere regions?
9. What was the 'charity appeal' of one of rock band Pulp's records of 1997?
10. Which actor played Doctor Who in the first TV series in 1963?
11. Which Swedish-born actress starred in the film Casablanca?
12. Which famous Indian-born British naturalist spent much of his childhood on the island of Corfu?
13. Which famous spy, executed by the French in 1917, was formerly a stripper in Berlin?
14. Which seaport, famous for the attack on the Italian fleet by the Royal Navy in 1940, is situated between the 'toe' and 'heel' of Italy?
15. Who wrote the fantasy novels The Colour of Magic and The Light Fantastic?
16. Who composed the Little Russian symphony, also known as the Ukrainian Symphony?
17. In which year was the Iranian Embassy in London stormed by the SAS after it was seized by Iranian dissidents?

18. In 1985, who was tried and acquitted of passing secret information about the sinking of the Argentinian warship Belgrano, to a Labour Party MP?
19. Which political party was formed by David Owen, Roy Jenkins, William Rodgers and Shirley Williams in 1981?
20. In response to the Common Market, which had been established two years earlier, which seven-country trading area did Britain set up in 1960?
21. Which European leader thwarted Britain's efforts to join the Common Market in 1961 and 1967?
22. Which event of October-November 1956 saw Britain humbled by the US, and resulted in great friction with France?
23. Who was the leader of Rhodesia who declared independence from Britain in 1965?
24. What route did the anti-nuclear weapons 'Ban the Bomb' marches take during the early 1960s?
25. Which novel, available outside Britain from 1928, first saw British bookshops' shelves in 1960, having being banned because of its 'explicit sexual content'?
26. What was 'Goldie' which escaped from Regent's Park Zoo in 1965 and evaded capture for nearly two weeks?
27. Which goods became fully available again on 5th February 1953, having been rationed since 1940?
28. Which politician stated in 1988 that most of Britain's egg production was infected by salmonella, causing massive problems for the farming industry?
29. Which royal couple split up on 19th March 1992?
30. In 1983, which government minister was forced to resign after his extra-marital affair with his former secretary?