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Starter Questions

1. "Give your body pleasure... Your body is for receiving pleasure and good things." In translation, this is sung by Antonio Romeo Monge [MOHN-hay] and Rafael Ruiz to the eponymous unfaithful woman of which 1996 worldwide Flamenco-pop hit released by Los del Río?

answer: Macarena

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2. He visited Rome in 1764, and one October night he was walking through the ruins of the Forum when he was inspired to write about the city. For 15 years, he worked on a six-volume narrative about both moral decadence and material decay. Who described *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*?

answer: Edward Gibbon

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3. In *The Third Man*, Orson Welles' character Harry Lime sells this substance on the black market. The 1945 Nobel Prize in Medicine was awarded to Ernst Chain and Howard Florey, who discovered how to mass-produce which drug produced by a namesake fungus, originally discovered by Alexander Fleming?

answer: penicillin

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4. Originally called Ben Madagan, and noted for the basaltic outcrop called "Napoleon's Nose", Cavehill overlooks which city at the south-eastern corner of the Antrim plateau?

answer: Belfast or Béal Feirste (accept Cavehill before given)

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5. Aristotle's Constitution of Athens claims this practice was introduced by Cleisthenes [KLICE-theh-neeZ] around 500 BC. Those against whom it was used include Hipparchus [hih-PAR-kuss] and Aristides [a-rih-STY-deez], but it became less common after the Persian Wars, especially after a failed attempt to resolve a feud between Nicias [NIH-see-us] and Alcibiades [AL-sih-BYE-uh-deez]. Name this Athenian practice in which a person was exiled for ten years.

answer: ostracism (accept word forms)

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6. This character was treated for epilepsy in Switzerland, and he becomes engaged to the aristocrat Aglaya as he enters the vicious society of St. Petersburg. He also loves Natasia Fillipovna, but she marries the villain Rogozhin, leading to disaster for all three. Name this simple-minded title figure of an 1869 novel by Fyodor Dostoevsky.

answer: The Idiot or Prince Myshkin

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7. Despite criticism that Japanese actors were not chosen, director Rob Marshall cast Chinese actress Ziyi Zhang as Sayuri and Malaysian Michelle Yeoh as Mameha in his film adaptation of which 1997 novel by Arthur Golden about Japanese professional female companions?

answer: Memoirs of a Geisha [GUY-shuh]

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8. When pronounced with a hard “c”, this four-letter word names a group of minerals with highly perfect basal cleavage; the same pronunciation, but with an extra terminal “h” in spelling, names a Book of the Old Testament. Give this word that forms a female forename when the “c” is pronounced “sh”, such as that of the British soul singer surnamed Paris.

answer: Mica [MY-cuh or ME-shuh] [the Book of the Old Testament is Micah]

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9. Its microscopic form is sometimes written as j equals sigma times E where the variables represent the current density, conductivity and electric field respectively. Multiplying through by the volume and rearranging produces its more common form, which relates the potential difference and current in a circuit element. Name this law that shares its name with the SI unit of resistance.

answer: Ohm's law

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10. In her 1992 Christmas message, the Queen referred to a November fire at Windsor Castle, as well as the marital separations of her sons Charles and Andrew, and the divorce of the Princess Royal, in describing the year using which two-word Latin phrase?

answer: Annus horribilis

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11. Also naming the poetic musical form of 14th century Italy, it more commonly means a setting for 4-6 voices of secular verse, usually in Italian, that was popular in Europe in the 16th century. Fashionable in England into the 17th century through the works of Morley, Weelkes and Wilbye, name this principle musical style of Elizabethan England.

answer: madrigal(s)

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12. Her name means “the cunning one”, suitable for a princess skilled in black magic. Her powers killed Glauce [GLOW-kee], burning her alive in a poisoned wedding dress, but she also rejuvenated an old ram by boiling him and helped to retrieve the Golden Fleece. Name this wife of Aegeus [uh-JEE-us] and Jason.

answer: Medea

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13. Islands in this waterway include Roosevelt, Wards, Randalls, Rikers, and both North and South Brother, while Hell Gate, named for its treacherous currents and reefs, is located at its junction with the Harlem River just north of Gracie Mansion. The Brooklyn Bridge spans which geographically-named tidal strait of New York City?

answer: East River

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14. September 2005 saw the broadcast of the most recent sequel to which 1964 Paul Almond documentary, commissioned by Granada for *World in Action*, that set out to follow the lives of 14 British people from different backgrounds?

answer: Seven Up! (prompt on “49 Up”, the 2005 sequel)

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15. Falklands, Somme, Imjin, Alamein [AL-uh-mane], Burma, Normandy, Marne, Ypres [EE-pruh], Gaza and Dettingen are the ten companies to which are assigned the students at which military training facility on the Berkshire-Surrey border?

answer: Royal Military Academy Sandhurst

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16. Frederick Bessel [BEH-sul] predicted the existence of its "B" star, which became the first known white dwarf, and some astronomers believe it is actually a triple-star system. The ancient Greeks called it Orion's hunting hound, while the ancient Egyptians named it Sothis and based their calendar on its heliacal rise around the Nile flood. Name this brightest star in the night sky, also called the "Dog Star".

answer: Sirius or Alpha Canis Majoris (accept Dog Star early)

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17. A glass wall standing in a small pool of water illuminated with a faint blue light at the corner of The Mall and Horse Guards in London is part of the new memorial designed by Sir Norman Foster to members of which group of people killed in the line of duty?

answer: police officers [the National Police Memorial]

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18. Her guardian Lord Seymour of Sudeley tried to arrange a marriage between her and the future Edward VI. After Seymour's execution, she fell under control of the Duke of Northumberland, who persuaded Edward to name her as successor, bypassing Edward's sister Mary Tudor. Which queen was imprisoned after only nine days on the throne?

answer: Lady Jane Grey (accept Lady Jane Dudley)

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19. HSBC chairman Sir John Bond, Queen Noor of Jordan, Steve "Chandrasonic" Savale of the band Asian Dub Foundation, broadcaster Anna Ford and former minister David Blunkett were all guest editor for a day in late 2005 of which morning news programme on BBC Radio 4?

answer: Today

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20. Its creator claimed to have just finished a particularly ripe Camembert before deciding to add to his landscape near Port Ligat a "soft" self-portrait and several melting objects, including one being devoured by ants and one hanging from the branches of an olive tree. Name this clock-filled painting by Salvador Dali.

answer: The Persistence of Memory

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21. This country stretches from the Hijaz [huh-JAHZ] in the west to the Hasa province in the east. Its central region, the Najd, is bordered by the world's largest expanse of sand, the Rub' al-Khali [ROOB all-kah-LEE]. Name this nation between the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf whose cities include Mecca, Medina, and Riyadh [REE-yad].

answer: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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22. Argentinian team Independiente have won it seven times, including four in a row from 1972 to 1975; however, the 2005 final was between Brazilian sides Atlético Paranaense and São Paulo. Named in honour of the leaders of the independence wars of Latin America, top South American football clubs compete in which annual cup competition?

answer: Copa Libertadores (de América)

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23. This book was found in the possession of Mark David Chapman, who had asked John Lennon to autograph it hours before he shot Lennon. It describes the possible nervous breakdown of a boy who has failed out of Pency Prep and who spends time in New York City to avoid his parents. Holden Caulfield is the protagonist of which novel by J. D. Salinger?

answer: The Catcher in the Rye

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24. The ring $Z \text{ mod } nZ$ is a field if and only if n is this kind of number that also figures prominently in the Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic. The theorem named after this kind of number shows that the probability that a random number n is in this set is approximately 1 over the natural logarithm of n . Name this kind of number that has only two divisors, itself and 1 .

answer: prime number

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25. Outlawed by a British Act of Parliament in 1831, what name is given to an exploitative form of employment in which workers are paid either in unexchangeable goods as an enforced payment in kind, or in credit redeemable only in a company store?

answer: truck system [outlawed by the Truck Act 1831]

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26. Darius I and Cyrus II of Persia. Louis XIV and Henry IV of France. Frederick II of Prussia. Catherine II, Ivan III and Peter I of Russia. These rulers all often have which description appended to their name, that is also given to Alfred of Wessex and Alexander of Macedon?

answer: the Great

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Bonus Questions

1. Give the oxidation number of nitrogen in:

A. Ammonia

answer: -3 or 3 minus [NH₃]

B. Nitric oxide

answer: +2 or 2 plus [NO]

C. Nitric acid

answer: +5 or 5 plus [HNO₃]

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2. Your bonuses are about Arab-Israeli conflicts.

A. In 1967 Egyptian closure of the Straits of Tiran brought about which brief war, named after its length?

answer: Six-Day War

B. In 1973 Arab forces launched an unsuccessful attack on which Jewish holy day?

answer: Yom Kippur (War)

C. Anwar Sadat [suh-DAT] and Menachem Begin [BAY-gun] signed which peace resolutions in 1978, negotiated with the help of US President Carter?

answer: Camp David Accords

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3. Sky One has assisted the careers of many young female actresses recently. Name the actresses who play these characters.

A. Tru Davies on "Tru Calling"

answer: Eliza (Patricia) Dushku

B. Sydney Bristow on "Alias"

answer: Jennifer (Anne) Garner

C. Kim Bauer on "24"

answer: Elisha (Ann) Cuthbert

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4. Your bonuses are about the Dioceses of the Anglican Province of Canterbury.
- A. The Diocese of London covers most of Greater London north of the Thames. Which diocese covers Greater London south of the Thames?

answer: Diocese of Southwark

- B. Eastern Kent is covered by the Diocese of Canterbury. Which diocese, for which Dr Michael Nazir-Ali is the Bishop, includes western Kent?

answer: Diocese of Rochester

- C. The Deaneries of Guernsey and Jersey in the Channel Islands fall under the jurisdiction of which mainland diocese, which also contains two Archdeaconries, one sharing the name of the Diocese and the other based in Bournemouth?

answer: Diocese of Winchester

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5. Name the author trained in anthropology who wrote:

- A. *Coming of Age in Samoa*.

answer: Margaret Mead

- B. *The Chrysanthemum and the Sword*.

answer: Ruth (Fulton) Benedict (or Ruth Fulton)

- C. *Their Eyes Were Watching God*.

answer: Zora Neale Hurston

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6. The England cricket team won a Test series in January 2005.

- A. This was their first success in which country in 40 years?

answer: Republic of South Africa

- B. The trophy they won is named after which black cricketer, who was born in South Africa but played for England, and who was blocked by South Africa from touring there in 1968 which resulted in South Africa being excluded from international sport?

answer: Basil (Lewis) D'Oliveira [doh-li-VAIR-uh]

- C. Which Middlesex cricketer, also born in South Africa, was England's man of the series, achieving his fourth and fifth Test centuries in only his ninth and eleventh matches?

answer: Andrew (John) Strauss

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7. Your bonuses are about columns in architecture.

A. Which structural feature rests atop the shaft of the column?

answer: capital

B. The added double scroll, or volutes, within the capital distinguishes which Greek order of columns embodied by the Erechtheum [eh-REK-thee-um]?

answer: Ionic

C. The Corinthian order made extensive use of representations of which leaves in its capitals?

answer: acanthus

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8. Which sweet-toothed author wrote each of these books?

A. *Chocolat*

answer: Joanne Harris

B. *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*

answer: Roald Dahl

C. *Like Water For Chocolate*

answer: Laura Esquivel

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9. Rock and pop stars often get mixed up with the law.

A. Which singer received three months in prison in 1977 for unlawful possession of Benzedrine tablets?

answer: (Sir Michael Philip) Mick Jagger

B. Which singer was sentenced to four months in jail in 1997 for harbouring child pornography on his computer?

answer: Gary Glitter or Paul (Francis) Gadd

C. Which singer was fined \$800 and given 80 hours' community service in Beverly Hills for "engaging in a lewd act"?

answer: George Michael or Georgios Kyriacos Panayiotou

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10. Seven moons in the Solar System are larger than the planet Pluto. Name any *six* of those seven moons, for 5 points per pair.

answer: Ganymede

Callisto

Europa

Io

Earth's moon or Luna

Titan

Triton

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11. Name these American authors given the quote from their work on their tombstones.

A. "Quoth the Raven, 'Nevermore'"

answer: Edgar Allan Poe

B. "The last voyage, the longest, the best" from *Look Homeward, Angel*

answer: Thomas (Clayton) Wolfe

C. "So we beat on, boats against the current, borne back ceaselessly into the past."

answer: F(rancis) Scott (Key) Fitzgerald

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12. Name these Atlantic archipelagos.

A. Which islands make up the Spanish provinces of Las Palmas and Santa Cruz de Tenerife?

answer: Canary Islands (or Islas Canarias)

B. Ponta Delgada is the capital of which Portuguese islands where the Capelinhos volcano erupted in 1957?

answer: Azores

C. Inhabitants of which Danish islands speak a language related to Icelandic and have their own Parliament, the Lagting?

answer: Faroe or Faeroe Islands

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13. Your bonuses are connected by a surname.

A. Which English seam bowler took 8 wickets for 75 runs in the Bridgetown test of the 1993-94 West Indies tour, and followed it with 8 for 53 in Port-of-Spain in 1997-98?

answer: Angus (Robert Charles) Fraser

B. Malcolm Fraser was Prime Minister of which country from 1975 to 1983?

answer: Commonwealth of Australia

C. Benton Fraser was the central character of which 1990s comedy cop show?

answer: Due South

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14. Your bonuses about space probes in the news in 2004.

A. The European spacecraft Smart 1, including a new type of ion engine, was put into orbit around which body in November 2004?

answer: Earth's moon

B. Launched in August 2004, the probe Messenger is on its way to which planet?

answer: Mercury

C. Launched in March 2004, the Rosetta probe is designed to study what type of objects?

answer: comets

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15. Answer these questions about Panamanian exploration and piracy.

A. Who was knighted after plundering Spanish possessions in Panama and elsewhere during his 1577 voyage around the world?

answer: Sir Francis Drake

B. Which conquistador, the namesake of Panamanian currency, crossed the isthmus in 1519 and is credited with sighting the Pacific Ocean?

answer: Vasco Núñez de Balboa

C. After sacking Spanish Panama in 1670, which privateer was knighted by Charles II and made Lieutenant Governor of Jamaica?

answer: (Sir) Henry Morgan

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16. Your bonuses are on British prisons.

A. On which island are Albany, Camphill and Parkhurst prisons located?

answer: Isle of Wight

B. The prison formerly called Strangeways now takes its name from which city in which it is located?

answer: Manchester

C. How was HMP Weare [weer] at Portland in Dorset, which closed in August 2005, unique among British prisons?

answer: it was a prison ship (accept equivalents)

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17. Name the leaders of the British Liberal Party, given the years in which they held the post.

A. 1865 to 1875 and 1880 to 1894

answer: William (Ewart) Gladstone

B. 1908 to 1926

answer: (Henry) Herbert Asquith

C. 1976 to 1988

answer: David (Martin Scott) Steel

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18. Name these ecological terms.

- A. Which two-word term is defined as the largest population of a given species that can be supported in a given environment?

answer: carrying capacity

- B. What name is given to the final stage of ecological succession in a natural system such as an old-growth forest?

answer: climax

- C. Preservation of species is linked to which concept that describes the variety of animals and plants, including differences between species and in gene pools within a species?

answer: biodiversity

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19. Name these German cities.

- A. This city on the Main [mine] River is the largest city in Hessen state.

answer: Frankfurt am Main

- B. The second largest city after Berlin, this city is the country's largest port and commercial centre.

answer: Hamburg

- C. Formerly the largest city in East Germany after Berlin, it was the site of the Napoleonic Battle of the Nations.

answer: Leipzig

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20. There are nine members of the Fellowship of the Ring in Tolkien's *Lord Of The Rings*. Name five members for 5 points, seven members for 10 points and eight of the nine for 15 points.

answer: Gimli, Legolas Greenleaf, Frodo Baggins, Merry (or Meriadoc) Brandybuck, Pippin (or Peregrin) Took, Sam (or Samwise) Gamgee, Aragorn, Boromir and Gandalf

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21. Your bonuses are about the purity of silver.

- A. What name, now thought to derive from a small star on early Norman pennies, is given to silver that is at least 92.5 per cent pure?

answer: Sterling silver

- B. What name, from the mark formerly applied to it, was given to silver that was at least 95.84 per cent pure?

answer: Britannia silver

- C. Used to make bullion bars for international trading, but otherwise too soft for general use, what word describes silver that is at least 99.99 per cent pure?

answer: Fine silver

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22. Alfred Wegener [VEH-guh-ner] proposed that the continents were once a single giant landmass. Name:

A. This proposed super-continent.

answer: Pangaea [pan-JEE-uh]

B. The continent theorised by Édouard Suess [swess], and named after a kingdom in India, that contained the southern portion of Pangaea, after Pangaea began to break apart.

answer: Gondwanaland [gon-DWAH-nuh-land]

C. The period of the Mesozoic [MEE-suh-ZOH-ik] era, immediately preceding the Jurassic, in which the break-up began.

answer: Triassic

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23. Which instrument represents these characters from Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf*?

A. Grandfather

answer: bassoon

B. Cat

answer: clarinet

C. Duck

answer: oboe

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24. The dynasty that was overthrown by the French Revolution was restored in 1814 and lasted until 1830 when it was replaced by the house of Orléans.

A. Name that dynasty.

answer: Bourbon

B. Name either of its only two rulers during the restoration period.

answer: Louis XVIII Bourbon
Charles X Bourbon

C. Charles X was succeeded by which last king of France?

answer: Louis-Philippe

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