

<input type="radio"/>	1. Which is the only Hindi movie to feature in the recent Time Magazine list of the 100 best movies of all time?	1. <i>Pyaasa</i>
<input type="radio"/>	2. Known for its soft colours, this sari is available in both silk and cotton. It owes its name to an 11th century town in Madhya Pradesh, 90km south of Jhansi. Identify sari.	2. Chanderi
<input type="radio"/>	3. Paul Allen financed it. Richard Branson hopes to make it a commercially viable business. Name the legendary airplane designer who created SpaceShipOne.	3. Burt Rutan
<input type="radio"/>	4. This sport is traditionally played on a mat-like surface that is 2m wide and 14m long. The international governing body for the sport is the Federation Internationale D'Escrime which conducts World Championships every year except during Olympic years. Which sport?	4. Fencing
<input type="radio"/>	5. This India-born professor of psychology & neuroscience was named by Newsweek as a member of 'the century club': one of the 100 prominent people to watch in the 21st century. He is the author of the acclaimed <i>Phantoms in the Brain</i> . Who?	5. Vilayanur S. Ramachandran
<input type="radio"/>	6. It is the Italian word for hors d'oeuvre, and literally means 'before the food'. In Italian cuisine, this typically consists of cold foods such as cheeses and raw or marinated vegetables, as well as meats, especially cured meats such as <i>prosciutto</i> . Identify the term.	6. Antipasto
<input type="radio"/>	7. What is the name of the monument at the place where the American states of Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah meet?	7. Four Corners
<input type="radio"/>	8. Sowing happens from September to November and harvesting happens around the months of February and March. What name is given to this cropping season?	8. Rabi
<input type="radio"/>	9. The Latin word for 'smith' or 'maker of tools' is often suggested as a valid replacement for <i>sapiens</i> as in <i>Homo sapiens</i> since it clearly distinguishes man from his relatives in the animal kingdom. This word is also the surname of a family of publishers from England. What five-letter word is this?	9. Faber
<input type="radio"/>	10. On 31st October 2000, four centuries after his death, who was declared the patron saint of politicians and statesmen?	10. Thomas More
<input type="radio"/>	11. On April 2nd 2005, the city of Copenhagen began a celebration of the bicentennial of his birth. The celebrations include <i>Once Upon a Time</i> - a dance-and-theatre extravaganza at the soccer stadium in Copenhagen, as also a year-long exhibition in a book-shaped building near the Rosenborg Castle. Who?	11. Hans Christian Andersen
<input type="radio"/>	12. Which superstar, born in Amritsar on 29 Dec 1942, was selected for cinema through the United Producers Talent Contest and made his debut in Chetan Anand's <i>Aakhri Khat</i> ?	12. Rajesh Khanna (real name Jatin Khanna)
<input type="radio"/>	13. Which theory, developed in 1948 by Fred Hoyle, Thomas Gold, Hermann Bondi and others as an alternative to the Big Bang theory, asserts that although the universe is expanding, it does not change over time?	13. Steady State Theory
<input type="radio"/>	14. The Urdu writer Krishan Chander based the novel <i>Jab Khet Jaage</i> on a peasant rebellion that began in 1945. The novel inspired the Telugu film <i>Maabhoomi</i> , directed by Gautam Ghosh. By what name is this peasant movement commonly known?	14. Telangana Uprising
<input type="radio"/>	15. When stainless steel was introduced in India, it was marketed under a name which suggested that it would not tarnish, unlike preferred metals of the day such as brass. The name continues to enjoy some vogue as a synonym for stainless steel in South India. What term?	15. Ever Silver
<input type="radio"/>	16. This term is used in the Americas for a normally dry stream-bed that is transformed into a temporary watercourse after rain. In India this phenomenon is known as a <i>Nullah</i> while across Arabia and the Sahara, the term <i>Wadi</i> is preferred. This term is also the surname of the president of an Asian country. What term?	16. Arroyo
<input type="radio"/>	17. Though the presiding deity at this temple, near Kottar, is the Serpent God, it also contains shrines to Siva, Vishnu and images of the Jain Tirthankaras Parshvanath and Mahavira. The South Indian town that developed here took its name from the temple. Identify town.	17. Nagercoil
<input type="radio"/>	18. When Carl David Anderson (1905-91) discovered a new particle in cosmic radiation with a mass between that of the electron and the proton, he named it 'mesotron'. Which scientist wrote an article to <i>Nature</i> and got the name of the particle changed to meson?	18. Homi J. Bhabha
<input type="radio"/>	19. According to Native American legend, a set of people essential to mankind's survival will appear at that dark time when fish die in the streams, the birds fall from the air, the waters turn black and the trees disappear. What are these people called? (Hint: environmentalism)	19. Rainbow Warriors
<input type="radio"/>	20. The first fortifications were put up by the Cholas, but the impressive fort that today spans the three hills of Rajagiri, Krishnagiri and Chakkilidurga was put up by the Vijayanagar kings in 1442. It was probably the most contested location in the Carnatic for about three centuries till the East India Company wrested it in 1762. Identify this fort, a sight likely to be encountered by anyone travelling from Tiruvannamalai to Pondichery	20. Ginjee (accept Senji)
<input type="radio"/>	21. This form of ballroom dancing is based on the movements of a bullfighter in a bull-ring. The woman represents the cape the bullfighter holds in the ring. Which form?	21. Paso (or Pasa) Doble
<input type="radio"/>	22. Name the legendary French New Wave director who made the 1964 movie after which Quentin Tarantino, one of his biggest admirers, named his production company.	22. Jean Luc Godard
<input type="radio"/>	23. The puzzle, known as <i>Number Place</i> in the US, was first published in New York in the late 1970s by the puzzle publisher Dell in its magazine <i>Math Problems and Logic Puzzles</i> . It became immensely popular in the UK in 2005, stimulating international interest. What is its popular name which is also the Japanese for 'single number'?	23. Sudoku



<input type="radio"/>	24. Which dynasty was responsible for building the statue of Gomateswara at Sravanabelagola in 980 AD?	24. The Gangas
<input type="radio"/>	25. This 1947 invention resulted out of a Hungarian-born physicist's efforts at improving the resolution of electron microscope images. Pictures of a toy-train and a bird were transformed using this technology in 1962 - its first successful application. It was given a name derived from the Greek words for 'complete' and 'message'. What?	25. Hologram
<input type="radio"/>	26. This class division in boxing is derived from the name of a dwarf fowl that was bred centuries ago in a small town in Java. Identify.	26. Bantam
<input type="radio"/>	27. In the scientific world, his fame rests on two achievements. His 1869 contribution revolutionized a branch of science. In 1871, he published <i>Osovy Khimi</i> , a textbook of chemistry that went into several editions and was also much translated. He is revered in his own country as the man responsible for setting up the petroleum industry in the Black Sea area. Who?	27. Dmitri Mendeleev
<input type="radio"/>	28. Which fictional journey started at Iceland's Snaefellsjokull volcano and ended at Stromboli?	28. <i>Journey to the Center of the Earth</i>
<input type="radio"/>	29. It was invented in 1967 by X, Nobel awardee for Physics in the year 2000, in collaboration with Jerry Merryman and James Van Tassel with a view to maximizing the market for X's famous 1958 invention. It could carry out four basic functions, measured 154mm by 107 mm by 44mm and weighed a little more than a kilogram. Identify X or his 1965 invention.	29. Jack Kilby or Pocket Calculator
<input type="radio"/>	30. What name was given to the discovery made by Eugene Dubois around 1891 in Trinil on the banks of the Solo River in Ngawi region of Indonesia?	30. Java Man
<input type="radio"/>	31. His name, little known, is Prem Behari Narain Raizada (Saxena), son of Brij Behari Narain Raizada of Delhi. He wrote a well-known 'thing' in his own hand, using a flowing italic style in the best calligraphic traditions of our country. What did he write?	31. The Constitution of India
<input type="radio"/>	32. Her diplomat father went missing during World War II. She traveled to India with her mother Marlene Richardson and eventually made her breakthrough with a number titled 'Mr. John ya Baba Khan, Lala Roshandaan' in the film <i>Baarish</i> . Identify this performer.	32. Helen
<input type="radio"/>	33. He managed a fund on behalf of King's College, Cambridge from 1928 to 1945, producing a strong average increase of 13.2% compared with the general market in the UK declining by an average 0.5% per annum. He was also briefly associated with the Bloomsbury Group owing to a shared interest in the ideas of the philosopher G.E. Moore. Who?	33. John Maynard Keynes
<input type="radio"/>	34. The term 'second-string' comes from the fall-back measure taken by players of a particular sport in medieval times. What sport?	34. Archery
<input type="radio"/>	35. Karnataka Khadi Gramodyoga Samyuktha Sangha in Hubli is the only organization authorised to produce what?	35. Indian National Flags
<input type="radio"/>	36. Who was the opposing team's goal keeper when Maradona hit his (in)famous 'Hand of God' goal in the 1986 FIFA World Cup?	36. Peter Shilton
<input type="radio"/>	37. When this actor landed in Bombay in 1928 he made this statement standing at the Gateway of India: "Mr. God, if you don't make me an actor and a star here, I will swim the seven seas and go to Hollywood". Identify this thespian.	37. Prithviraj Kapoor
<input type="radio"/>	38. This 1956 song, written by Tommy Durden & Mae Axton, was the first song recorded by Elvis Presley to reach the top of the US charts. The song had its roots in a report in the Miami Herald newspaper about a suicide victim who left a note containing the words "I walk a lonely street." Identify song	38. <i>Heartbreak Hotel</i>
<input type="radio"/>	39. Chalam Bannurkar made a documentary about child labour in 1990 titled <i>Kutti Japanin Kuzhandhaigal</i> - meaning 'The Children of Little Japan'. The term 'Kutti Japan' is a reference to which small town in South India?	39. Sivakasi
<input type="radio"/>	40. Which building in the world has the highest number of storeys?	40. Sears Tower, Chicago (108 stories)
<input type="radio"/>	41. He had a magical pet called Eugene the Jeep. It is a 4-dimensional creature who answers yes/no questions by bowing down for "yes" and not bowing down for "no". Eugene subsists on a diet of orchids. Name the well-known owner of the pet.	41. Olive Oyl / Popeye
<input type="radio"/>	42. This 19th century composer was part of a group that comprised Mily Balakirev, Cesare Cui, Rimsky-Korsakov and Mussorgsky - known as The Russian Five on account of their obsession with local themes. Apart from operas such as <i>Prince Igor</i> , he is remembered for perfecting a method to analyse urea and for showing that aldehydes undergo both condensation and polymerization. Who?	42. Alexander Borodin
<input type="radio"/>	43. "Peace is a lie, there is only passion / Through passion, I gain strength / Through strength, I gain power / Through power, I gain victory/ Through victory, my chains are broken/ The Force shall free me." In popular culture/fiction, this is called "The ----- Code". What?	43. Sith
<input type="radio"/>	44. Connect: Bug, Stingray, Ant, Twinjet, Crab, Egg, Red Rectangle, Dandelion Puff, Cat's eye (among others).	44. All are nebulae
<input type="radio"/>	45. He was named "the one" by Charles Leadbeater in 1909. A couple of decades later, he gave up his position as head of Star of the East, an order formed to propagate his teachings, and also severed all connections with the parent organization to which Leadbeater belonged with the famous statement 'The truth is a pathless land'. Who?	45. Jiddu Krishnamurthi
<input type="radio"/>	46. The South African artist, Robert Hodgins, living and painting under apartheid commented thus (about a great painter): "_____ lived through the two world wars. Do you see that in his work? Maybe he was registering the Germans marching down the Champs Elysees even while he was painting his hundred-and-thirty-first goldfish". Fill up the blanks.	46. Henri Matisse

<input type="radio"/> « «	47. He has probably saved more lives than any other scientist in the 20th century. He developed about 40 animal and human vaccines and 8 of the 14 routinely recommended vaccines - those given for measles, mumps, hepatitis A, hepatitis B, chickenpox, meningitis, pneumonia and Haemophilus influenzae bacteria. Who?	47. Maurice Hilleman
<input type="radio"/>	48. Their ads carry the baseline 'Where it all comes together'. Their logo is a black tick-mark which also forms the first letter of their eight-letter name. The company makes its money by delivering something that they call <i>Intelligent Infrastructure</i> for use on the Web. Identify company.	48. Verisign
<input type="radio"/>	49. This feat was first achieved in 1875 and was not repeated till 48 years later. It is often described as a battle of brain and brawn against tide and temperature. Statistics released by the CSA, the governing body, reveal that only about 7% of those who attempt this feat are able to complete it. What feat are we talking of?	49. Swimming the English Channel
<input type="radio"/> «	50. Pushpa Kamal Dahal assumed a name meaning the 'Fierce One' before initiating an armed struggle based out of Thabang in 1996. What name did he/she assume?	50. Prachanda (of Nepal)
<input type="radio"/>	51. Though this structure from 1799 is situated on a road named after it, entry is normally allowed only through the Tripolia Bazaar. It is a five storey building with an elaborate facade containing 953 small windows, each with a balcony and an arch. These artfully-designed windows are responsible for keeping the entire structure well-ventilated. Identify the building.	51. Hawa Mahal
<input type="radio"/> « «	52. The Aubrey Holes, named after the 17th century antiquarian John Aubrey, are 56 pits laid out in a circular fashion. In the vicinity of which man-made landmark would you find the Aubrey Holes?	52. Stonehenge
<input type="radio"/>	53. Connect a Mesopotamian king, Ernest Shackleton's 1908 Antarctic expedition, a fortress in the Golan Heights, an album by the group Green Day, and Elgar's <i>Enigma Variations</i> .	53. Nimrod
<input type="radio"/>	54. Discovered by a colour-man called Diesbach in 1704, this shade is obtained by adding ferrous sulphate solution to a potassium ferrocyanide solution to which ferric chloride is subsequently introduced. What shade/colour?	54. Prussian Blue
<input type="radio"/> « «	55. It began in 1560 and ended only in 1814 after some tactful pressure from the British. It was originally targeted at <i>nuevos</i> , or European settlers of Muslim or Jewish origin who converted to Christianity but returned later to their original ways of worship. Its scope was later extended to include native practices such as using turmeric or tulsī, cooking rice without salt, wearing either a dhoti or a choli, practicing astrology, having more than one wife and 'other offences' such as sodomy, refusing to eat pork and selling arms to Muslims. The only known first-hand account of this moment in history is a book by French physician Charles Dellon. What are we talking about?	55. The Goan Inquisition / Inquisition in Goa (specific answer only)
<input type="radio"/>	56. He profiled Manmohan Singh for Time magazine's 2005 list of the 100 most influential people in the world. His new book <i>The Argumentative Indian</i> is being released in June 2005. Who?	56. Amartya Sen
<input type="radio"/>	57. What is the well-known term used to describe the concept of output being maximized when a single crop is grown over a large area?	57. Monoculture
<input type="radio"/>	58. This 1952 movie was based on the story <i>The Tin Star</i> by John W. Cunningham. The movie takes place in 'real' time, beginning at 10.40 am & ending at five past midday. The screenplay writer Carl Foreman claimed that it was an allegory of the need for individual opposition to the McCarthyists who were rooting out suspected communists in Hollywood. Which movie?	58. <i>High Noon</i>
<input type="radio"/>	59. In 2003 it was rumoured that Sony had shelved this singer's much-awaited third album because it had no singles of commercial value. Her outraged fans began sending Sony's president Andy Lack a fruit every day to remind him of her existence. The album, titled <i>Extraordinary Machines</i> , has since popped up on the Internet and is now one of the top downloads on P2P networks. Name singer.	59. Fiona Apple
<input type="radio"/>	60. He threw away his engineering degree, his job and left his wife and children to take up what he does today. In his own words "I am not a singer like Rafi or Kishore Kumar; when they sing they make people forget reality. I am a people's singer; I sing their pain, spit at their tormentors and remind them of reality". Identify this person.	60. Gadar
<input type="radio"/>	61. This noun, denoting a state of unwillingness, comes from a Latin word meaning 'to struggle against'. The word is also used in physics to denote a magnetic quantity analogous to resistance, normally defined in terms of the ratio of circuit length to the product of cross-sectional area and permeability. What word?	61. Reluctance
<input type="radio"/>	62. The author Iris Chang, committed suicide, after gaining popularity by bringing to attention a forgotten chapter of WWII in her book: "The Rape of ____: The Forgotten Holocaust of WWII". The book deals with the torture of Chinese civilians by the Japanese. Fill up the blanks.	62. Nanking (accept Nanjing)
<input type="radio"/>	63. She is a member of the Doom Patrol, a DC Comics team whose adventures were published from 1963 to 1968, as well as in a new series that started in June 2004 after her renewed popularity. Shares her name with the main character of the movie <i>The Incredibles</i> . Who are we talking about?	63. Elastigirl (accept Elastiwoman)
<input type="radio"/>	64. Ashgabat, off an oasis near the Kara Kum desert, is the capital of this Central Asian republic. It may not be a great country, but about a couple of years ago, many businessmen thought that the letters assigned to it for Internet use would make a great domain name. Which country?	64. Turkmenistan
<input type="radio"/>	65. He was born in the Virgin Islands to Jewish parents, had Danish nationality, but did most of his creative work in France. Through the 1870s, he worked out of a small village called Pontoise, whose name means 'bridge across the River Oise'. Both the village and the river figure prominently in his paintings. Towards the end of his career he flirted briefly with the pointillist technique popularized by Georges Seurat. Who?	65. Camille Pissarro



<input type="radio"/>	66. She starred in the first tele-film on national television, <i>Janam</i> , opposite Kumar Gaurav. She later became popular in soaps like <i>Khandaan</i> and <i>Naqab</i> . She is back in the news for her role in a recent film. Name her.	66. Shernaz Patel
<input type="radio"/>	67. ANWR has been the site of a long-standing and furious battle between oil explorers and eco-warriors. Identify the state/province within which it is found.	67. Alaska
<input type="radio"/>	68. Frederick II favoured this city so much that he ordered a palace and the San Souci Park built here. It was the venue of a famous pow-wow in 1945 and later became the centre of the short-lived East German film industry. Identify city.	68. Potsdam
<input type="radio"/>	69. The village of Villanueva de los Infantes is celebrating the 400th anniversary of which landmark in literature?	69. Don Quixote
<input type="radio"/>	70. This residential area of lower Manhattan, New York gained a reputation in the early years of the 20th century for its bohemianism, and is associated with unconventional writers, artists and musicians, especially members of the Beat generation. Identify.	70. Greenwich Village
<input type="radio"/>	71. A well-known mathematician from Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, he is currently looking into solving the river-linking problem as an optimization problem involving more than a billion variables. Name the mathematician.	71. Narendra Karmarkar
<input type="radio"/>	72. Appalled by the suffering of orphans after World War II, Hermann Gmeiner founded which worldwide organization in 1949, at Imst, Austria?	72. SOS Children's Villages
<input type="radio"/>	73. He was awarded the Nobel for Chemistry in 1908 for 'his investigations into the disintegration of elements and the chemistry of radioactive substances.' While accepting the award, he joked that he had seen many transformations in his work, but the quickest ever had just been performed by the Nobel Committee, which had turned him from a physicist into a chemist. Who?	73. Ernest Rutherford
<input type="radio"/>	74. In DNA, the nucleotide Adenine pairs with Thiamine. In RNA, what replaces Thiamine to pair with Adenine?	74. Uracil
<input type="radio"/>	75. In terms of holidays/observances in many parts of the world, what connects the second Sunday in May and the third Sunday in June?	75. Mother's Day and Father's Day
<input type="radio"/>	76. It was first postulated in 1931 by Wolfgang Pauli to explain the energy spectrum of beta decays, the decay of a neutron into a proton and an electron. Its name was coined by Enrico Fermi. Its existence was first confirmed by an experiment performed by Clyde L. Cowan and Frederick Reines in 1956. Which subatomic particle are we talking about?	76. Neutrino
<input type="radio"/>	77. This Germany-born person married a Parsi architect in 1951. Wrote books like <i>To Whom She Will</i> , <i>Nature of Passion</i> , <i>Esmond in India</i> , <i>The Householder</i> , <i>Like Birds</i> , <i>Like Fishes</i> , <i>A Stronger Climate</i> etc. Won the Academy Award for Best Screenplay in 1987 & 1993. Who?	77. Ruth Praver Jhabwala
<input type="radio"/>	78. Which river originates in the Black Forest and drains into the Black Sea?	78. Danube
<input type="radio"/>	79. The name for the sacred banner raised by medieval French kings in times of war is now associated with a cosmetics company. What is this name?	79. Oriflame
<input type="radio"/>	80. They are 41.6m high and were placed at the corners of the plinth to provide architectural balance. Each has a slant outwards, varying between 5 and 20 cms - thus designed to minimize damage to the main structure if they fell during an earthquake. They each carry in elaborate form the letters of the phrase ar-Rahman or 'The All Merciful', one of the 99 names of Allah. What are we talking about?	80. Minarets of the Taj (Taj Mahal not acceptable - specific answer only)
<input type="radio"/>	81. In a 1967 paper, biologist Lynn Margulis argued that this relative of free-living bacteria gave up its independence to combine with the cell to form a unit geared for survival. She used the fact that this microscopic body contains a gene-set different from that found in the cell nucleus as evidence to back her idea. Which structure found within cells are we talking about?	81. Mitochondria
<input type="radio"/>	82. While Tom Hanks is to play the role of Robert Langdon, a French actress has been named to portray Sophie Neveu in Ron Howard's film <i>The Da Vinci Code</i> . Who?	82. Audrey Tatou
<input type="radio"/>	83. He belonged to a family of exiled Portuguese Jews and was excommunicated for his unorthodox views. His five books - <i>Ethica Ordine Geometrico Demonstrata</i> (or <i>Ethics</i>) are styled on Euclid's <i>Elements</i> . Which philosopher?	83. Baruch Spinoza (surname will do)
<input type="radio"/>	84. This virtually unknown small-screen actor is 6'2" and from Iowa. He has finished work on his first feature film, titled <i>Deadly</i> , opposite Laura Prepon. His TV credentials include <i>One Life to Live</i> , <i>Gilmore Girls</i> , <i>Will and Grace</i> , and <i>Cold Case</i> . Name this actor who is slated to soon bring alive a famous character from comics.	84. Brandon Routh (slated to play Superman)
<input type="radio"/>	85. In a letter dated 5th February 1676, to which scientist did Isaac Newton write: "If I have seen a little further, it is by standing on the shoulders of Giants.?"	85. Robert Hooke
<input type="radio"/>	86. Stanley Prusiner won the 1997 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for establishing death caused, not by virus, bacteria or fungi, but by a new biological principle of infection - a group of proteins. What name was given to such killer proteins?	86. Prions
<input type="radio"/>	87. In 1971, the French village of Illiers was renamed Illiers-Combray as part of the centenary celebrations honouring a novelist who fictionalised the village as 'Combray'. Who?	87. Marcel Proust
<input type="radio"/>	88. It is the most accurate and comprehensive record of past climate available on the planet. It provides information from the last 150,000 years about CO2 levels, temperature changes, volcanic activity and solar flares as also unique data on the consequences of human activity since the Industrial Revolution. What are we talking about?	88. The ice sheet in Antarctica



<input type="radio"/> «	89. The Rome-based group Hands-Off _____ is named after a Biblical character and conducts campaigns against death penalties around the world. Who is it named after?	89. Cain
<input type="radio"/>	90. Urania in Greece, Harpaston in Rome, Fangballspiel in Germany and Hazena in Bohemia & Slovakia were precursors of this modern day sport. The rules for this game were first published on October 29, 1917 by Max Heiser, Karl Schelenz and Erich Konigh. Its first Olympic appearance was in the 1936 Berlin Games at the special request of Adolf Hitler. Identify sport.	90. Handball
<input type="radio"/>	91. This seafaring vessel, made famous by an 1851 novel, is named after the first 'Indian' tribe to be exterminated by white Americans. Name the ship.	91. Pequod (of <i>Moby Dick</i> fame)
<input type="radio"/>	92. About whom did Miyoko Watai comment recently: "_____ is my king and I will become his queen. We want to win the game by joining hands"?	92. Bobby Fischer
<input type="radio"/>	93. He was the vice-chancellor of Mysore University from 1956-1960. He went on to bag the Jnanpith award for works such as <i>Ramayana Darshanam</i> and is one of the few Jnanpith winners to have a university named after him. Identify this doyen.	93. Kuvempu (accept K.V. Puttappa)
<input type="radio"/>	94. Connect an allegorical romance by Edmund Spenser, a famous dwarf exhibit of the 1850's and the oldest operational steam engine in the world.	94. Fairy Queen
<input type="radio"/>	95. The origins of this Indian art form can be traced to the latter half of the 19th century when a drama called _____ <i>Shahzadi</i> was popular in Uttar Pradesh & Punjab. The main akharas (or schools) of the art form are at Hathras, Muzafar Nagar, Saharanpur, Kanpur & Kanauj. Identify the art form.	95. Nautanki
<input type="radio"/>	96. This medal for outstanding achievement in mathematics was first awarded in 1936. It has been awarded since 1950 every four years at the International Congress of Mathematicians to two to four recipients under the age of 40. Which award?	96. Fields Medal
<input type="radio"/>	97. Broom, rock, pebble, house, pin, tee line, hog line, back line, hack, hammer, delivery stick etc. are terms associated with which precision sport?	97. Curling
<input type="radio"/>	98. In 1930, this Canadian who took degrees in theology and medicine was asked to investigate the rumour that playing basketball could cause lasting damage to the heart and the kidneys. His study showed that though the game was quite strenuous, the scare had no substance. Who?	98. James Naismith
<input type="radio"/>	99. In 1955, Theodor Geisel was awarded an authentic doctorate by his alma mater, Dartmouth College even though he had earlier conferred a similar degree upon himself. How do we know him better?	99. Dr. Seuss
<input type="radio"/> «	100. Name the Austrian ethologist who studied bees, identified their mechanisms of communication and showed that they were sensitive to ultraviolet and polarized light. He also described the honeybee's "waggle dance", used to indicate the location of distant floral sites.	100. Karl von Frisch
<input type="radio"/>	101. While travelling to Rhodes in 75 BC for philosophical and oratorical studies, he was kidnapped by Cilician pirates in the Mediterranean Sea. When they demanded a ransom of twenty talents, he laughed at them and told them to ask for fifty. They accepted, and he sent his followers to various cities to collect the ransom money. As soon as he was ransomed and released after 38 days, he organized a naval force, captured the pirates and crucified them. Who?	101. Julius Caesar
<input type="radio"/>	102. During the 19th Century, the Germans applied a word meaning 'back country' to territory over which they claimed jurisdiction because it lay immediately beyond their colonies on the African coast. The term is now used in geography for the region from which are drawn the goods exported by a port. What term?	102. Hinterland
<input type="radio"/>	103. This pamphlet was issued anonymously in 1859. Only 250 copies were printed and they took nearly a year to sell. It has since gone into multiple reprints and is still selling. It takes its title from the plural form of a Persian word meaning 'a poem with four lines'. What was the title?	103. <i>Rubaiyat</i> (of Omar Khayam)
<input type="radio"/>	104. The French chemist Michel-Eugene Chevreul was born in 1786 and died in 1889 at the age of nearly 103. He founded a branch of science using himself as a subject. Name the branch of science he pioneered.	104. Gerontology (Geriatrics will do)
<input type="radio"/>	105. Who connects the movies <i>Troy</i> , <i>Lord of the Rings</i> , <i>Pirates of the Caribbean</i> , <i>Black Hawk Down</i> , <i>Ned Kelly</i> and <i>Kingdom of Heaven</i> ?	105. Orlando Bloom
<input type="radio"/>	106. This Indian work, written more than 2000 years ago, takes part of its title from the term for the poetic form in which it is written - a two-line unit comprising four and three feet respectively. The name for this two-line form is derived from a root-word meaning 'short' or 'brief'. Which work?	106. <i>Thirukkural</i>
<input type="radio"/>	107. Which method of "statistical sampling" gets its name because its use of randomness and the repetitive nature of the process are analogous to the activities conducted at a casino?	107. Monte Carlo Simulation
<input type="radio"/>	108. This town was built by Ahmed Shah I in 1424 because he found his former capital unbearable after the death of his spiritual mentor Banda Nawaz Gesu Daraz. The town is now associated with a kind of metal-work characterized by swirling floral motifs inlaid onto a blackened alloy comprising lead, copper, zinc and tin. Name either the town or the style of metal-work.	108. Bidar or Bidri
<input type="radio"/>	109. What, now approximately 14 billion kilometers from the Sun, is the farthest man-made object from Earth?	109. Voyager I
<input type="radio"/>	110. What title did Vishal Bharadwaj give to his screen adaptation of a work nicknamed "The Scottish Play"?	110. <i>Maqbool</i>
<input type="radio"/>	111. The insect species <i>Plecia neartica</i> is a major nuisance for motorists on highways in Florida and other parts of the southern United States. The insect is attracted to highways by automobile exhaust and thus clouds windscreens or ends up clogging radiators. The common name for this species comes from the fact that it mates riotously even as it smacks into cars. What is this name?	111. Love Bug

<input type="radio"/>	112. In 1835, Charles Whish published an article in the <i>Transactions of the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland</i> , in which he claimed that the work of the mathematicians from this Indian state laid the foundation for a complete system of Calculus. Which state? (It was not until the 1940s however, that historians of mathematics verified Whish's claims.)	112. Kerala
<input type="radio"/>	113. In 1970, Robert Maurer, Donald Keck and Peter Schultz announced that they had been successful in creating commercially viable optic fibre out of fused silica. They were scientists employed by a company whose name is synonymous with glass. Which company?	113. Corning
<input type="radio"/>	114. Eugene Cernan, in his memoirs <i>The Last Man on the _____</i> , mentions that he is the holder of a very dubious and disappointing honour. Complete the title of his book.	114. Moon
<input type="radio"/>	115. Name the infamous operation launched during the 1970s by South American military dictators to kill their political opponents.	115. Operation Condor
<input type="radio"/>	116. The original, dating back to 1952, is owned by Steven Spielberg, who has no intentions of selling it. Market buzz places the value of this item at \$100,000 or higher. It is done largely in blue and has three people cowering up against a wall while a shadow lengthens in their direction. It also contains the immortal lines "That thing, that slithering blob coming towards us... What is it...It's Melvin". What are we talking about?	116. The first MAD cover
<input type="radio"/>	117. This was possibly the first-ever India-specific marketing campaign. Put together in 1939 by Harvey Duncan of Lintas, the campaign ensured that the palm tree logo became familiar across the country. The campaign also featured innovative packaging - a square 10-pound tin, a round 5-pound tin and a special 1/4 pound tin for sampling, all in a distinctive green-and-yellow combination. For which venerable Indian product was this campaign launched?	117. Dalda
<input type="radio"/>	118. It is a region of space along the ecliptic outside the orbit of Neptune, containing countless comets and planetesimals like Pluto. The existence of this region was predicted in 1951 by a Dutch Astronomer - it is now known by his name. What?	118. Kuiper Belt
<input type="radio"/>	119. Known today as "America's painter", the largest number of watercolours by this artist is found in 'The Greenville Collection'. Who?	119. Norman Rockwell
<input type="radio"/>	120. This sporting venue moved to its present location in 1968 - after the Pennsylvania Railroad Company demolished one of its surface stations and replaced it with an underground stop. Thus, you have a 13-storey structure, for long the largest indoor stadium in the world, built over an underground railway station at 7th Avenue in New York. Which venue?	120. Madison Square Garden
<input type="radio"/>	121. The singular form of this word is applied to a beach composed not of mud or sand but of large smooth pebbles. When used in the plural, the same word denotes a freak viral infection that can hit you after you have recovered from chicken-pox. Put down either form.	121. Shingle/s
<input type="radio"/>	122. This name, denoting a rather prominent physical feature, has been applied both to beetles of the family Cerambycidae as also to a breed of cattle once associated with the southwestern United States. In the last couple of years, this name has also gained an IT association. What name?	122. Longhorn
<input type="radio"/>	123. Which philanthropist-boxer who found his fortune in a Coca-Cola distributorship paid for the funeral of Joe Louis in 1981?	123. Max Schmeling (one of the three boxers who beat Louis)
<input type="radio"/>	124. The Three Gorges project in China is on which river?	124. Yang Tze (Yang Tze-kiang)
<input type="radio"/>	125. In 1991, the former civil servant Phyllis Dorothy White was named Baroness of Holland Park in honour of her contributions to crime-writing. Under what name is she familiar to us?	125. PD James
<input type="radio"/>	126. Names such as 'Jot & Jerk', 'Mount & Show', 'Press & Peel', 'Papillon' etc were once proposed for this invention, later featured at the New York Museum of Modern Art as an icon of beautiful everyday design in its "Humble Masterpieces" exhibit. Name the invention.	126. Post-It notes
<input type="radio"/>	127. In ordinary language, this word is used to denote a comprehensive defeat. Geographers use the term for the summer process by which ice formed in winter on rivers in Russia and North America breaks up, causing floods. What term?	127. Debacle
<input type="radio"/>	128. The Fujita Scale, designed by Theodore Fujita has points ranging from F0 to F6. These points represent the situations <i>Moderate</i> , <i>Significant</i> , <i>Severe</i> , <i>Devastating</i> , <i>Incredible</i> and <i>Inconceivable</i> . The lowest point on this scale covers damage to chimneys and signboards while <i>Incredible</i> includes such things as cars turning into spinning missiles. The scale is used to measure a natural phenomenon that derives its name from the Latin word for thunder. What?	128. Tornadoes
<input type="radio"/>	129. The name of this famous European family derives from the name of the family castle which translates to 'Hawk's Castle', built by Bishop Werner in 1020 on the Aare River. Identify the family.	129. Hapsburg
<input type="radio"/>	130. This ecosystem occupies a transitional position between terrestrial and aquatic systems. By definition, they are territories where the water table is at or near the surface for at least part of the year. Marshes, swamps, bogs, fens, potholes, tidal flats and permafrost come under this category. The vast majority of these sites are distributed across Canada and Russia. What is the term for this ecosystem?	130. Wetland
<input type="radio"/>	131. Which well-known fictional hero hails from the village of Talsonapur?	131. Devdas
<input type="radio"/>	132. His first film role had him playing the infamous real-life person - also a character in a famous book - from whom his mother claimed descent. He formed a star pair in the 1930s with Olivia Havilland, acting in as many as 8 films opposite her. His last film, a 1959 effort titled <i>Cuban Rebel Girls</i> , was intended as a gesture of support to Fidel Castro who had seized power that year. Which Hollywood icon?	132. Erroll Flynn

<input type="radio"/>	133. It is the only wildlife sanctuary in India harbouring four big cats: the tiger, the leopard, the snow-leopard and the clouded leopard. Name this National Park whose altitude ranges from 200m to 4500m, bordering China and Myanmar.	133. Namdapha National Park
<input type="radio"/>	134. After breaking through with 'Humdum Soniyore' in <i>Saathiya</i> , he won the RD Burman award for the most promising newcomer in music in this year's Filmfare awards. Which singer?	134. Kunal Ganjawala
<input type="radio"/>	135. This 15th century Italian navigator and explorer, who made England the base of his operations, is popularly credited as the modern discoverer of Canada. The city of Bristol has a replica of his ship 'Matthew' which was built there. Who?	135. John Cabot (Giovanni Caboto)
<input type="radio"/>	136. The post offices in Greece use this God as their symbol. His name literally means 'pile of stones marking something'. Who?	136. Hermes
<input type="radio"/>	137. When Bhagirath requested Ganga to descend from heaven and wash the entire planet, the flow doused this sage's sacrificial fire. The furious sage drank the river. Identify this sage who later released Ganga through his ear.	137. Jahnu
<input type="radio"/>	138. In 1984, while working at the De Soto County courthouse in Hernando, Mississippi, he witnessed the harrowing testimony of a 12-year-old rape victim. In his spare time, he began work on his first book, which explored what would have happened if the girl's father had murdered her assailants. He finished it in 1987. Initially rejected by many publishers, it was eventually bought by Wynwood Press, which published it in 1988. Identify this bestselling writer.	138. John Grisham
<input type="radio"/>	139. He began his comics career in the early 1980s by introducing hard-boiled crime elements into <i>Daredevil</i> . He then did a hard-boiled take on Batman, <i>The Dark Knight Returns</i> , which, was one of the most talked-about comics of the 1980s. He is in the news this year for a series he started in the 90s. Name the creator.	139. Frank Miller (of <i>Sin City</i> fame)
<input type="radio"/>	140. The playing surface in this sport can be made of any material as long as it answers to this specification: a standard ball, dropped on to it from a height of 12 inches must rebound to a height of 9 -10 inches. Which sport?	140. Table Tennis
<input type="radio"/>	141. This famous personality comments on a common bird thus: "All my life I have painted crows. Singly, in pairs, threesomes, whole murders of them. Even as a child I had been fascinated by them. They are smart, lively and have a strong survival instinct. The common crow is really an uncommon bird." Who?	141. R.K. Laxman
<input type="radio"/>	142. This sport was invented in 1954 by four divers from Southsea, England: John Ventham, Alan Blake, Jack Willis, and Frank Lilleker. The game has undergone changes in equipment, among other things, since its early days. Name the sport.	142. Octopush (Underwater Hockey)
<input type="radio"/>	143. The botanical name for this fruit of South American origin is <i>Manilkara achras</i> . The two names used in Indian languages for this fruit are derived from the Aztec name for the fruit and from chicle, the latex obtained from its bark. Put down one of the Indian names for this fruit.	143. Sapota or Chicku
<input type="radio"/>	144. This publishing label made its debut in 1941 with <i>Worzel Gummidge</i> , a book featuring a talking scarecrow, created by Barbara Todd. The first set of books issued by the label had distinctive red-and-white jackets. From 1948 onwards, all their books featured an introduction titled 'How the book came to be written'. Which publishing label?	144. Puffin
<input type="radio"/>	145. According to food scholar K.T.Achaya, this Indian preparation was carried to Japan by Portuguese sailors. The dish, consisting of vegetables or sea-food dipped in batter and fried, was given the name tempura, derived from the Portuguese word for 'time', a reference to the time of year when meat was avoided. From which humble Indian preparation does tempura derive its origins?	145. Bajji
<input type="radio"/>	146. Which classic of children's literature ends with the hero getting this lecture: "Boys who minister tenderly to their parents, and assist them in their misery and infirmities, are deserving of great praise and affection, even if they cannot be cited as examples of obedience and good behaviour"?	146. <i>Pinocchio</i>
<input type="radio"/>	147. He was born in Lucknow. The year of his birth, 1919, was also the year when World War I ended and he was therefore given a name meaning 'New Happiness'. Identify this colossus of the Bombay film industry	147. Naushad
<input type="radio"/>	148. The song most closely associated with this singer was originally the B-side of <i>Donna</i> , a song that he wrote for his girlfriend. This traditional party song rose only to No. 22 in the charts but became a No.1 thirty years later in 1987 with the release of a film based on his life. Incidentally, the film bears the same title as the song. Name either the singer or the song.	148. Richie Valens or <i>La Bamba</i>
<input type="radio"/>	149. Which territory in Asterix comics has only four towns but is nevertheless surrounded by a total of 46 Roman camps?	149. Corsica
<input type="radio"/>	150. A famous director began his review of this 1959 film with the words 'the director enters both modern cinema and the classrooms of our childhood.' The review ends with the sentence " This is a film signed Frankness. Rapidity. Art. Novelty. Cinematograph. Originality. Impertinence. Seriousness. Tragedy. Renovation. Ubu-Roi. Fantasy. Ferocity. Affection. Universality. Tenderness." Which major film was he reviewing?	150. <i>400 Blows</i> (by Francois Truffaut)

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