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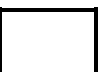
- Time allowed: **90 minutes**
 - Wait for start signal
- Questions marked with ★/★★ will resolve ties (first total stars, and if still unresolved, count of double stars)
 - No negative marking
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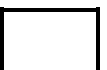
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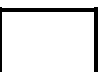
1	In the late 11th century, Byzantine emperor Alexius I Comnenus sent envoys west, seeking help against a powerful enemy. Troubled by this news and wanting to help, Odo of Châtillon used the Council of Clermont in 1095 as a platform to call for what?		<input type="checkbox"/>
2	What connects the founding bassists of pioneering Indie bands 'Pixies' and 'Sonic Youth', a 1901 novel by a Nobel Prize-winning English author, and a common surname accounting for over 22% of the population of a troubled and volatile peninsula?		<input type="checkbox"/>
3	The autocratic ruler was simply trying to institute measures that he viewed as progressive. The measures caused quite a sensation: some women refused to leave their house until years later, when the policy was withdrawn; some even committed suicide. What was banned outright in Iran in a 1936 event known today as <i>The Unveiling</i> ?		<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Which roughly thirty-year long engagement is known in its native land as <i>Na Trioblóidí</i> ?		<input type="checkbox"/>
5	The female versions of these decorative architectural features, found mainly in classical Greek and European architecture, are named caryatids after a class of priestesses from ancient Greece. The male versions derive their name from a mythical figure whose heavy burden mirrors the function of these features. Which mythical figure?		<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Which much-abused term was first used by Jeanne Schulte Scott in the trade journal Healthcare Financial Management in March 2007, when discussing what she believed would be a hot topic for candidates in the 2008 Presidential race?		<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Stone Mountain Park in Georgia is a Confederate monument consisting of an enormous rock relief featuring Jefferson Davis, Robert E Lee and Stonewall Jackson. It marks the site, where, in 1915, a certain William Joseph Simmons revived something. What?		<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Also the name of an Academy Award-winning director known for films in the first half of the 20th century, identify the genus that includes wild goats, alpine ibex, the markhor, and the domesticated goat.		<input type="checkbox"/>
9	Three of the four entities derive their names from Greek origin, one from 'Black Islands', the other from 'Many Islands' and the last from 'Small Islands'. The odd one out gets its name from the Latin for 'Southern Land' and together they cover an area of approximately 8,525,989 sq. kms. What geographic region do they collectively comprise of?		<input type="checkbox"/>
10	The festival was founded in 1914, in a town by the same name, by English composer Rutland Boughton and his librettist Reginald Buckley as a summer school and music festival based on utopian principles. By the time it ended in 1925, 350 staged works had been performed. It shares its name with which other festival that has been happening since 1967?		<input type="checkbox"/>
11	In a bid to preserve their language and way of life, 153 settlers sailed from Liverpool in 1865 on a converted tea-clipper to set up colonies in Argentina. Today over 50,000 Patagonians speak this Indo-European language, ensuring a home away from home. Which language, whose Latin form is the name of the first geological period of the Paleozoic Era?		<input type="checkbox"/>
12 *	The <i>angeli del fango</i> (Mud Angels) are a group of revered people in 20th century art. Their quick response and improvisation in the face of this 1966 natural disaster, saved countless priceless artefacts in a city, and helped revolutionize the field of art restoration. They were the first responders at what event that is regarded as the greatest disaster faced by this famous city?		<input type="checkbox"/>
13 *	On April 30, 1945, a group of American soldiers rolled up the driveway of a villa in the resort of Garmisch-Partenkirchen and found themselves face to face with the eighty-year-old man. "I am the composer of <i>Der Rosenkavalier</i> ", the man said, as if that explained everything. Luckily, one of the soldiers was a musician, and after listening to him play excerpts from <i>Rosenkavalier</i> at the piano, they let him be. Who was this man, often accused of opportunistic behaviour with the Nazis? Full name needed.		<input type="checkbox"/>



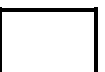
14	Historians consider him to be one of the earliest exponents of psychological warfare. Some of the unusual tactics he used are as follows: the horses of his army had objects tied to their tails, to stir up a large cloud of dust and make them appear larger in number; in addition, he ordered every soldier to light three torches at night; and the arrows his soldiers used were specially notched to create a terrifying whistling noise as they flew. Who?		<input type="checkbox"/>
15	Her appearance on Arthur Godfrey's talent show got the attention of Joshua Logan, who cast her in his 1957 romantic drama set in post-war Japan. Her portrayal would go on to win her an Oscar for Best Supporting Actress, becoming the first and only Asian woman to achieve it. For which movie, whose name should remind Bollywood fans of Asha Parekh frolicking in Hibiya Park, did Miyoshi Umeki receive the Oscar?		<input type="checkbox"/>
16	Backed by several Arab nations and named for the city in which it was negotiated, the Taif agreement of 1989 ended which country's decades-long civil war? It has been criticised for entrenching sectarian identities		<input type="checkbox"/>
17	In the game of Darts, a score of nine or less (i.e. averaging 3 or less per dart) is known as a Fish or Whale and is usually denoted by drawing a whale around the score on the scoreboard. What is the name given to the third dart thrown, when it manages to avoid scoring a Fish or a Whale - a scenario which is likely after the first two darts had been thrown? It is so called because the player is said to have "saved the fish" or "saved the whale".		<input type="checkbox"/>
18 **	Roddy McDowell, recounting his young co-star Elizabeth Taylor on the sets of <i>Lassie Come Home</i> , said " <i>On her first day of filming, they took one look at her and said: 'Get that girl off the set – she has too much eye make-up on, too much mascara...Guess what? They learned that she had no mascara on.'</i> " Taylor's stunningly framed eyes were the result of distichiasis, a medical condition caused by the genetic mutation of the FOXC2 gene. What does this condition result in?		<input type="checkbox"/>
19	The _____ Phenomenon is a term that refers to a pattern of relationship interdependence in which close partners influence and 'sculpt' each other's dispositions, values, and behavioural patterns so as to bring both people closer to their ideal selves. It was named after someone who is famously said to have conceived of sculpture as a process of bringing out figures already hidden in stone by chipping away the unnecessary bits. Who?		<input type="checkbox"/>
20	Mazdoor Kisan Shakti Sangathan (MKSS), founded in 1987 by Aruna Roy and Nikhil Dey, was one of the very first campaigners for such a concept. Consumer rights champion HD Shourie was roped in by the NDA government and this led to an initial act in 2002. It finally became a full-fledged Act in 2005. The first request was received by a police station in Pune from Shahid Raza Burney in October 2005. What is this?		<input type="checkbox"/>
21	Malcolm Mclean ran a small trucking business through the Great Depression and ended up with a multimillion-dollar business. One day, watching a certain activity at the docks, he wondered if it wouldn't be just better if his entire trailer could be moved at one go. This thought led him to develop what object that revolutionised worldwide trade?		<input type="checkbox"/>
22 **	Discovered by American astronomers in 2004, the trans-Neptunian object (TNO) Orcus has been dubbed the 'anti-Pluto' because of its locked resonant orbit with Neptune as well as possessing a relatively-large satellite named Vanth (analogous with Pluto and Charon). Orcus and Vanth are (respectively) the god of the Underworld and a winged demon that guides the souls of the dead, in the mythology of which civilization that flourished in ancient Italy from around 800 to 264 BC?		<input type="checkbox"/>
23	The number of people suffering from each one of these diseases is a negligible fraction of the general population, but when all the diseases of this kind are combined globally as a category, the number of people with these diseases would constitute the world's 3rd most populous country. What name is given to these diseases, as they are typically ignored by the medical fraternity thanks to the high costs and logistical difficulties of research & development of drugs? They are also simply called rare diseases.		<input type="checkbox"/>



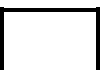
24 *	Frederick Furnivall, the second editor of the OED, upon realizing that he was temperamentally unsuited for the job, decided to find a replacement to continue work on the dictionary. One of the first people he approached was a notoriously rude, yet supremely qualified man who turned Furnivall down flat. This man's character proved to be the inspiration for another writer, who immortalized him in a work that we would be familiar with because of a 1964 adaptation. Name the '64 adaptation.		<input type="checkbox"/>
25	Nelson Mandela's 'I am Prepared to Die' speech, given at the end of the Rivonia trial, is considered a landmark in the country's freedom struggle. Mandela himself was inspired by another historic courtroom speech given more than a decade earlier, known as <i>La historia me absolverá</i> . Who gave that speech when on trial for an attack on the Moncada Barracks?		<input type="checkbox"/>
26	Foreign-educated students returning to mainland China have been at the forefront of revolution, modernization and globalization in the country, with examples like Sun Yat-Sen, Deng Xiaoping and Liu Xiaobo. Called 'hai gui', a term coined by Ren Hong in 1847 to describe his return after graduating from Yale University, which prolific sea swimmers who return overland every year are this group named after?		<input type="checkbox"/>
27	The 13 th -century Catholic saint Albertus Magnus was supposed to have built a mechanical being with a head that could answer questions posed to it. Writing about this contraption many centuries later, Ephraim Chambers coined a term from the Greek for 'shaped like a man' which has gone on to become ubiquitous. What?		<input type="checkbox"/>
28	To prepare themselves for shooting the sequences set in a slaughterhouse, the director, along with producer Dooho Choi visited a slaughterhouse. He also saw many films set in slaughterhouses to get the right feel. The experience was so overwhelming that it turned him (temporarily) into a vegan. Which much-talked about 2017 film resulted from this?		<input type="checkbox"/>
29 *	What term describes the process, typically used in tax evasion or money laundering, where money journeys from one country into another, before being reinvested in the original country?		<input type="checkbox"/>
30	Thanks to selective breeding over a few centuries, this Indian breed has been fashioned as an albino dog, characterized by its milky white coat, gold eyes and a pink nose. Which breed, originally conceived as a hunting sight dog, shares its name with its place of origin, a town well known for its cotton mills and market?		<input type="checkbox"/>
31	This boundary is often used by Kannada language scholars to romanticize the extent of the area under the language's influence, at the height of the rule of the Rashtrakuta king Amoghavarsha I. Between which two rivers did the boundaries of Kannada speaking country flourish, according to the 9th century literary work 'Kavirajamarga'?		<input type="checkbox"/>
32	In April 2009, a copy of a 13-page manuscript with 801 entries was found among the documents donated by an author to the State Library of New South Wales. The author had received it from a Leopold Page, who upon discovering the author's profession, had insisted on relating to him his true-life story "of humanity, man to man." The book that resulted from this conversation was centred on this document. Which document?		<input type="checkbox"/>
33 **	Getting their name from the nomadic reindeer herders of Siberia, they were effectively used by Fridtjof Nansen for his Fram expeditions to the North Pole from 1893 to 1896. Which dog, also served as sled dogs to Stone Fox in the children's novel of the same name?		<input type="checkbox"/>
34	Salvatore "Totò" Riina was the 'il capo dei capi' ("Boss of the bosses") of the Italian Mafia and was a feared figure in Italy until his death last month. Where, appropriately, was he born?		<input type="checkbox"/>
35	To qualify as this, a region must have at least 0.5% or 1,500 species of vascular plants as endemic (irreplaceable) and it must have 30% or less of its original natural vegetation (threatened). What two-word term, which first gained currency in 1990 in a paper published by Norman Myers in the journal Nature?		<input type="checkbox"/>



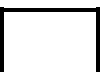
36	With the threat of the rising waters due to the construction of the then-largest masonry dam in the world, this historical site was excavated and relocated to higher ground in 1966. One of India's richest Buddhist sites, the remnants of which 2nd century capital of the Ikshvaku Dynasty now mostly rests on an island in one of India's largest water reservoirs?		<input type="checkbox"/>
37	The Museum of Modern Art added the original 1968 model of the _____ to its permanent collection in July 2017, celebrating the 60th year of this iconic automobile. Which much beloved, "big little car", that fundamentally altered car design and production with its mid-century modernist design is this?		<input type="checkbox"/>
38 **	In the 19th and early 20th century, the town of Veles flourished thanks to the river Vardar which acted as a transport highway for its porcelain, lead and silk industries. What uniquely 21 st -century cottage industry put Veles back on the map and brought it international notoriety and scrutiny?		<input type="checkbox"/>
39	The La Quebrada Cliff Divers are a group of professional high divers, based in this coastal city of Mexico. They perform daily shows for the public, which involve diving 30 to 41 meters (100 to 135 ft) from the cliffs into the sea below, a feat listed by the 2002 Guinness Book as "the highest regularly performed headfirst dives" in the world. A 1963 Elvis Presley film brought the cliffs and the city to worldwide attention. Which city?		<input type="checkbox"/>
40	Originating from the French for 'in-between place', these places, mostly found between Europe and its colonial empires in the Americas and Asia, flourished from the Middle Ages to the early modern period. Traders used these mid-way places to sell goods and make attractive profits in the days of wind-powered shipping, rather than complete the whole route and make about the same. What word, which was used to refer to places like Aden, Sofala, New Orleans and Port Klang, is this?		<input type="checkbox"/>
41	The three varieties of this crop are Criollo, Forastero, and Trinitario. Forastero represents about 90% of the world crop, Criollo is difficult to grow (and susceptible to pests) and is used in the finest form of the end product, and Trinitario is a natural hybrid. Which crop?		<input type="checkbox"/>
42	Although the story had existed in different forms earlier, it was Robert Southey who wrote it down in the form we are familiar with. However, this story had the three residents encountering an old hag. Later authors, realising that children would find the old woman difficult to relate to, replaced her with a young girl. It was only in the early 20th century that the young girl was given her colourful name by Flora Annie Steele. Which character/story?		<input type="checkbox"/>
43	Netting an impressive 386 goals between them between 1949 and 1953, by what mythology-inspired two-worded term was the precocious forward line of East Bengal comprising of P Venkatesh, Appa Rao, PB Saleh, Ahmed Khan and KP Dhanraj popularly known?		<input type="checkbox"/>
44	Investigative reporter Joe Hagan's 2017 biography about a man and the publication he founded, has this complaining quote by Mick Jagger: 'Why did [he] call it that ...? You could have thought of something else, to be honest.' Which publication's storied history is the subject of Hagan's book?		<input type="checkbox"/>
45	According to official records, 140 people died at this location over a period of nearly thirty years. Most of deaths were caused by shooting, but the list also included methods like suffocation, drowning, bludgeoned with a metal rod, jumping from a train, and most inexplicably, 'hot air balloon crash.' Where did all this happen?		<input type="checkbox"/>
46	What controversial, highly divisive internet "movement" can trace its origins back to an incendiary 6-part blog post created by a spurned 24-year-old computer programmer?		<input type="checkbox"/>
47	Like the 1938 airing but to more disastrous effect, the 1949 local language broadcast of 'War of the Worlds' caused mass panic in this city that transformed into a riot, leading to the death of at least 7 people. Which capital city located on the eastern slopes of the active volcano Pinchincha did this happen in, which also houses the largest and the best preserved historic centres in the Americas?		<input type="checkbox"/>



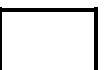
48 *	There have been several versions of this unforgettable sound from the movies, but they all reference back to the original, created in 1954, by a leather glove coated in pine tar resin rubbed against double bass strings. Which legendary sound, a version of which was most recently heard in a 2016 film, is this?		<input type="checkbox"/>
49	Victor Alexander Bruce, the 9th Earl of this Scottish peerage, was the Viceroy of India from 1894 to 1899. His father James Bruce was Viceroy from 1862 to 1863. How does history know their ancestor, the 7th Earl, famously associated with the unauthorized removal of certain artefacts?		<input type="checkbox"/>
50	Arwi, a version of the Arabic script used to write this Indian language, is the outcome of the cultural synthesis between seafaring Arabs and the _____ speaking Muslims of this Indian state. Most Madrasas in this Muslim minority state, as well as a neighbouring country, still teach the basics of Arwi as part of their curricula. Which language?		<input type="checkbox"/>
51 *	This two-storey structure was constructed in 1942, largely to cover the construction of an underground bunker, which continues to exist and serve its function. For the most part, however, the building serves as the more social and some might say feminine, balance to its better known, administrative counterpart. What two-word name does this structure have?		<input type="checkbox"/>
52 **	In American and Canadian academics this term is used to describe the extra year(s) of study beyond the traditional 4-year UG studies, which usually is a result of switching a course midstream. Which two-word term that can also refer to an Olympic tradition that became regular feature after John Akii-Bua's sensational win in the 400m hurdles at the '72 Munich Games?		<input type="checkbox"/>
53	The "Word of Wisdom" is a section of the book <i>Doctrine and Covenants</i> that lists substances that should not be ingested, such as alcohol, tobacco and hot drinks; food that should be adopted and those that should be used within certain limitations; and a divine promise to those who follow these guidelines. Which religious movement follows these guidelines and regards these as revelations from God?		<input type="checkbox"/>
54	This 15 th -century monument was built to house the king's harem and was named because its shadow in the noon sun resembles a formidable ship, standing on a thin strip of land between two lakes. Located inside the precincts of one of India's largest medieval forts, which two worded high-water mark of the Khalji Dynasty rule of the Malwa region is this?		<input type="checkbox"/>
55	The name of this city when translated from the local language means 'merchants harbour', reflects its rise as a major 12th century port and a prosperous center for herring fishing. Which city, that also gives its name to a chemical element discovered here in 1923 (the last stable element to be discovered) and a rod-shaped bacterium that was discovered by Vagn Møller here in 1954?		<input type="checkbox"/>
56	The Apta railway station has ended up as the highest revenue-earner from a source for Central Railways. This is despite more popular (and accessible) destinations like CST being under it. This station is popular because it is outside the suburban system, yet close to Mumbai. It is more affordable than larger and busier stations: less crowded and fewer security issues. What is this source of income?		<input type="checkbox"/>
57	In males, this problem/condition is believed to occur due to a combination of genetics and the hormone dihydrotestosterone; in females, the cause remains unclear. In the former case, it is measured by the Hamilton-Norwood scale, and by the Ludwig Scale in the latter. Identify this predominantly male problem, also known as the Hippocratic Wreath.		<input type="checkbox"/>
58	After a seven-week trial by a military tribunal that included the testimony of 366 witnesses, all the defendants were found guilty. Some defendants were sentenced to life in prison, one got a 6-year sentence and another four defendants were sentenced to death by hanging, one of whom, Mary Surratt, was the first woman executed by the US government. The key actor in the crime had, however, been shot dead. What crime did they conspire to bring about?		<input type="checkbox"/>



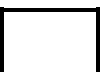
59	Nominated for the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1950, 1955 to 1962, this author never won the Nobel prize for literature apparently because "the judges were concerned about showing favouritism to Scandinavian writers". Identify the author whose 1937 memoir of life on a plantation in Kenya was made into an award-winning 1985 film.		<input type="checkbox"/>
60	It is one of the most famous sports photographs of all time and shows three individuals. The one on the left can be seen standing with arms to the sides and wore a small badge with the words "Olympic Project for Human Rights". What were the other two doing?		<input type="checkbox"/>
61	He is generally considered to be one of the three most important philosopher-theologians of the Middle Ages (along with Thomas Aquinas and William of Ockham). He was given the scholastic accolade Doctor Subtilis (Subtle Doctor) for his subtle manner of thought and was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1993. But, ironically, his name has become a byword for a foolish person. Who? Or what insulting word comes from his name?		<input type="checkbox"/>
62	The seven-letter word of French origin means 'an informal alliance between states or factions'. Arthur James Balfour, famous for his namesake 'Declaration', led Britain into a famous and significant one in 1904. When you change the first two letters, you get a word that means 'the easing of hostility between nations'. Name either word.		<input type="checkbox"/>
63	Officially termed 'Poultry Chemical Confirmation Devices', chickens were used by the US Army in the Gulf War as a cheap and effective way to detect poisonous chemicals in the air. The strategy's operational name was a fitting 3-letter acronym. What?		<input type="checkbox"/>
64	The earlier one has its origins in an appeasement ritual in a 12 th -century temple, while the later one has its origins in the deft usage of lactic acid to get the final product. What is this item that has caused much heartburn, and is at the center of an identity tussle?		<input type="checkbox"/>
65	Also known as cire perdue, it was common on every inhabited continent except Australia, and dates to at least the third millennium BC. What is this method of sculpting, which gets its name because a key ingredient must be removed to get the end product?		<input type="checkbox"/>
66	In the years after his unlikely victory (that led to brief international fame), Petero Okotai from Cook Islands (2008), Hamadou Djibo Issaka from Niger (2012) and Robel Habte from Ethiopia (2016) were all considered potential successors. Hailing from Africa's only sovereign country with Spanish as its official language, whose feat from 2000 were they all hailed as successors to?		<input type="checkbox"/>
67	The site of Columbus's first landfall in the New World, this place's peculiar formal name begins with a capitalized grammatical article. Identify this place from where the first black actor to win a Best Actor Oscar, and the group behind a Grammy award-winning jankanoo hit from 2000, hail from?		<input type="checkbox"/>
68 *	What word connects the following - A comic and autobiographical opera by Richard Strauss, a short orchestral piece played between scenes and a 1936 film that led to Ingrid Bergman breaking into Hollywood and playing the lead in a 1939 remake of the same name?		<input type="checkbox"/>
69 **	The most widely told origin story of this iconic item of menswear traces it back to the ingenious seamstress wife of a Caribbean guava farmer. Others attribute it to the nickname given to people who lived by the Yayabo river, or in a further twist, to the Phillipino barong tagalog which made its way across the world thanks to the maritime trade of New Spain. What?		<input type="checkbox"/>
70	The town of Jingde (or Jingdezhen, also the name attached to it), began to make this product in the sixth century CE. By the 14th century, this town had become the largest centre of production for this item and by the late 14th century, almost all production of this item was controlled by the Emperors for use in their court and for purposes of gifting. What item are we talking about?		<input type="checkbox"/>



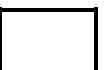
71 *	The nobles of this nomadic tribe are said to be descendants of Tin Hinan - a 4 th -century noblewoman who moulded a group of scattered clans into one tribe to become their first Queen, while the common folk are descendants of her handmaid Takamet. Which Islamic tribe's matrilineal culture and unique freedoms traditionally enjoyed by its women, are probably a result of its unusually female-centric ancestry?		<input type="checkbox"/>
72	As a child, he was advised to start exercising so that he could get over his asthma. He picked gymnastics and excelled in it. However, when he was 9, doctors diagnosed an issue with his knees and told him to stop practising gymnastics. He ignored them and grew up with a slight bend in his legs which created a gap through which he could see when his head was tucked up against them. Who is this man, who used this to the fullest advantage?		<input type="checkbox"/>
73	Jeremiah Horrocks, an English clergyman, used Kepler's laws of planetary motion to predict its occurrence on November 24, 1639. He later wrote about it: " <i>Thy return/ Posterity shall witness; years must roll/ Away, but then at length the splendid sight/ Again shall greet our distant children's eyes.</i> " What is Horrocks the first recorded person to observe, which he did between church services?		<input type="checkbox"/>
74 *	For many decades now, it has been marked as a 'hazard to shipping' in South Atlantic shipping charts. Hans Langsdorff, whose decision it was to abandon it, shot himself a few days later. What is this, that was considered much more of a nuisance above water?		<input type="checkbox"/>
75	The global reach of its popularity can be traced to a method of cultivation developed by a 12-year-old slave on a French colony in 1841. Years later, his contribution to its increased production would help him gain clemency from a 10-year jail term he received for a petty crime he was convicted of. The rapid rise of which 'spice' is credited to Edmond Albius's nifty hand driven method?		<input type="checkbox"/>
76	The tricky process of facilitating the migration of people across the hills and deserts that lie along the Mexico- United States border, and the human smugglers who do so, are known colloquially in Mexico and the Southwest United States, by names derived from this native North American animal. Which one?		<input type="checkbox"/>
77 *	As per a World Bank report, the world's biggest city is now the Pearl River Delta Metropolis with a contiguous urban population of 41 million and a metro population of 55 million. The Metropolis conjoins four major cities, the smaller two of which are Dongguan and Jiangmen. Name either of the other two larger cities.		<input type="checkbox"/>
78 **	Ruling from 198 to 217 AD, this Roman Emperor succeeded his father Septimus Severus and issued the Antonine Constitution which gave Roman citizenship to all freemen throughout the empire. He is however depicted as a tyrant and cruel leader and was assassinated while preparing for an invasion of Parthia. Rome's second largest Roman public baths, now largely ruined but a major tourist attraction bears his name. Who?		<input type="checkbox"/>
79	The most popular sport in this country is bökh (durability), and the most important tournament is held on the country's Independence Day. The top-placed athletes earn titles such as arslan (lion), dzan (elephant), and nachin (eagle). Should the arslan win the tournament twice in a row, he will have earned the title avrag (titan). How do we better know bökh?		<input type="checkbox"/>
80	Deriving from the German rendering of the Latin word 'Cythara' that was used generically for a wide variety of stringed instruments of Medieval and Renaissance Europe, which instrument found renewed interest in the late 40's for setting the 'gritty and dirty' atmospheric mood of a British classic, set in a post WW2 city?		<input type="checkbox"/>
81 *	Anak _____ was first sighted in 1927, and since then, grown considerably in size. Anak is the Malay word for 'child', and the name is supposed to mark it as the successor to _____, the once mighty 'parent' that no longer exists. Although many 'children' were sighted between the parent's disappearance the Anak's appearance, none survived. Fill in the blanks/what is this a successor to?		<input type="checkbox"/>



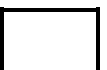
82 *	In May 1962, the <i>New York Times</i> published a piece on white beatniks appropriating black culture with the title "If You're ____, You Dig It." While the word has been intermittently in use in the decades since, it has surged back into popular usage starting 2014, since when it has been used to denote awareness of racial or social discrimination and injustice. What word?		<input type="checkbox"/>
83	From the 7th century to the 9th century, a set of seven small Anglo-Saxon kingdoms namely East Anglia, Essex, Kent, Mercia, Northumbria, Sussex and Wessex dominated what is now England. Their interplay inspired the setting of the well-known TV Game of Thrones. Give us the collective term for these Kingdoms.		<input type="checkbox"/>
84	Coined by an art critic in a review of the works of Arthur Streeton and Walter Withers, the 'Heidelberg School' was a late 19th-century Impressionistic art movement that began in which country as is the literary and artistic avant-garde movement known as the Angry Penguins?		<input type="checkbox"/>
85	The Star workstation or the 8010 Information System was the first to incorporate various technologies that have since become standard in PCs, including a bitmapped display, a window-based GUI, icons, folders, mouse, Ethernet networking, file servers, print servers, and e-mail. Which global technological company manufactured this device from 1981 to 1985?		<input type="checkbox"/>
86	This literature, TV and cinema trope is used in the event of bizarre twists, illogical situations or intentional clichés, by wilfully drawing the audience's attention to the plot element, acknowledging and sharing the audience's disbelief, before moving on with the plot. What household fixture lends its name to this often-used trope?		<input type="checkbox"/>
87	The Erdapfel (earth-apple), created by Martin Behaim, a well-travelled polymath, was commissioned by the city of Nuremberg in 1492 and is the oldest surviving example of what now common object?		<input type="checkbox"/>
88	"From the hotel you didn't go out to the war, the war came in to you"- journalist Martin Bell made this observation about covering a tumultuous phase of this city, from the Holiday Inn located there. The phase is significant in modern warfare, as it lasted longer than the ones previously in Volgograd and St. Petersburg. Which predominantly Muslim capital city did this unfold in, often called 'European Jerusalem' due to its diverse makeup?		<input type="checkbox"/>
89	The Crucible Theatre in the city centre of Sheffield, England has been hosting the World Championship of what sport since 1977?		<input type="checkbox"/>
90	The Lunfardo dialect originated with the Italian and Spanish immigrants who settled in this South American capital city in the late 19th and early 20th century. Originally associated with criminals and the working class, it grew in popularity thanks to its use in the music of an art form that shares its hard scramble, immigrant roots. What art form?		<input type="checkbox"/>
91	The Address is a 2014 TV documentary directed by Ken Burns that follows the lives of a group of American students with special needs, as they prepare for a recital. In addition to showcasing the preparation for the recital, the students also narrate the historical context and importance of the text they are preparing to recite, throughout the film. Which text?		<input type="checkbox"/>
92	This Englishman started his career as a bookseller in the US, but took up another activity professionally while recuperating back in England after a serious injury in a stagecoach crash in Texas. He shot dead a drama critic whom he suspected of having an affair with his wife and was acquitted on the grounds of justifiable homicide. Philip Glass composed an opera, <i>The Photographer</i> , with a libretto based in part on court transcripts from the case. Who?		<input type="checkbox"/>
93	Named after the surnames of Icelandic photographers/directors Einar and Eiður, this camera device is rigged to the body of the actor and usually faces them directly. Popularized by <i>Requiem for a Dream</i> , it is used to show a character in an altered state, whether due to drugs or trauma. Name this contraption which was also used to portray Abhay Deol's state of mind in the picturization of <i>Dev D</i> 's 'Pardesi'?		<input type="checkbox"/>



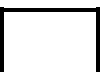
94	Author Peter York lays down 10 rules of "_____ style" in his 2006 book of the same name, which includes "go big", "think French", "draw from hotels" and the prodigious use of "known value items", "personal iconography" and "heroic beasts...(to) symbolize one's own bare-chested alpha-ness". The over the top style of architecture and interior decoration of which group of people was he profiling?		<input type="checkbox"/>
95	Unlike its more famous art-deco namesake, this one straddles the Chile-Argentina border in the high peaks of the Andes and stands as a testament to the peaceful resolution to the border issues of both these countries. What is the common name of these similar popular structures, that one can now find from Dili in Timor-Leste to Havana in Cuba?		<input type="checkbox"/>
96	Dick Ebersol, an NBC executive, was one of the people who championed it, despite pressure from higher-ups about its viability. People like Evander Holyfield, a native, lobbied for it. In the end, Janet Evans -the second-last in line- claimed that she would gladly give up her medals to experience it one more time. What resulted is one of the most iconic moments in modern sport. Who, doing what, are we talking about?		<input type="checkbox"/>
97	The shape of this vegetable is a natural representation of the golden spiral, a logarithmic spiral where every quarter turn is farther from the origin by a factor of phi, the golden ratio. Name this vegetable that has been cultivated in Italy since 16 th -century and belongs to the same family as cabbage, broccoli and Brussels sprouts.		<input type="checkbox"/>
98	Originally sold as an over the counter drug for everything from insomnia to nausea, this drug went from synthesis in 1954 to a near worldwide ban in less than 20 years. However, the drug reappeared and was approved for use by the FDA in the treatment of multiple myelomas and a leprosy-related complication in the past 2 decades. Which drug?		<input type="checkbox"/>
99	Uttered by Col. Charles E. Stanton of the American Expeditionary Force on July 4, 1917, near a grave in Picpus Cemetary in Paris, this became a rallying cry for the American help to the French who were bogged down after 3 years of war. Which famous 4-word expression, which symbolized reciprocal help for France's support in the Revolutionary war, invoked the person buried at Picpus Cemetary?		<input type="checkbox"/>
100 *	The term was introduced by the administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development in 1968. He listed the success of something in India, Pakistan and Turkey, among other places, and went on to compare it favorably with the political developments in 1910s Russia, and 1960s Iran, and said that like them, this was also a _____, albeit of a different shade. What term?		<input type="checkbox"/>
101	In a development that disappointed many aficionados, the European Court of Justice ruled against the EBU, an Aylesbury based organisation, saying that ____ was not a 'real sport.' Although the court agreed that it involved logic, memory and planning, it also noted that the 'sport' was characterized by a negligible physical element. What are we talking about?		<input type="checkbox"/>
102	Horsemaning is the act of posing for a photograph in such a way that the subject appears to have been beheaded, the head also appearing in the picture somewhere. Staging such a picture typically requires two people - one to play the head and the other to be the headless body. The practice derives its name from an evil character from a popular American short story published in the early 1800s. Give either the story or the character.		<input type="checkbox"/>
103 **	Located on the north-eastern coast of Queensland, this is Australia's largest garrison town and a getaway to the Great Barrier Reef. Now in the news for being the Australian headquarters of the Adani Group, identify this place which might also remind 90's kids of the fictional setting of an Emmy nominated Cartoon Network show?		<input type="checkbox"/>
104	In 1868, he was elected to the House of Commons from Derby and immediately took up the cause of seamen. In 1873, he even came out with 'Our Seamen', which provided documentary evidence of the problems faced by the people at sea. After getting the backing of Disraeli, he managed to enact the Merchant Shipping Act of 1875, which drew a line on shipping problems. Who?		<input type="checkbox"/>



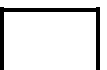
105	Published in 1902, Theodor Herzl's utopian novel 'Altneuland' ('The Old New Land') became one of Zionism's establishing texts. It was translated into Hebrew by Nahum Sokolow under what title (which means 'the Mount of Spring'), which in 1909 became the name a new city founded on the outskirts of the ancient port city of Jaffa?		<input type="checkbox"/>
106	Codified by Tansen in the 16th century, this Hindustani raga takes its name from the place where his performances would usually happen in Akbar's court. Performed late in the night with low notes and elaborate improvisations, it was known to induce sleep in any listener. Which raga is this, that legendary singer Abdul Karim Khan fittingly recited his kalimahs in, while he lay dying on the platform of Singaperumalkovil station in 1937?		<input type="checkbox"/>
107 *	The real woman was named Joan, but she was reinvented and rechristened as Judith in a seminal 1929 feminist essay that went on to inspire both a '80s pop-rock Irish-American band of the same name, as well as a song by the Smiths. Who, as the essay described her, was held up as the fictional example of a woman unable to express her independence and creativity in a male-dominated society?		<input type="checkbox"/>
108	In its heyday, it represented luxury, glamour and faith in social and technological progress. What art movement, that among others one can now relate to specific areas in Mumbai, Miami and Napier, had its origins in the title of a series of critical articles that attacked the colourful and lavish objects at a '25 Paris Exposition?		<input type="checkbox"/>
109	London hosted its first _____ Fashion Week, featuring over 40 designers, in February 2017, following the lead of cities such as Istanbul and Singapore. What rapidly growing, diversity-celebrating, massively profitable genre of fashion was showcased?		<input type="checkbox"/>
110	Much of what gives the English version of this beloved series its unique flavour is thanks to a now retired woman, a thank you note to whom can be found at the end of the latest 'output' in this series. Her successor is Adriana Hunt, a Kent-based professional with over sixty 'renderings' to her name. Whom did Adriana Hunt succeed in 2017?		<input type="checkbox"/>
111	Of the 90 pavilions built for Expo '67 (world's fair) in Montreal, only two stands more-or-less intact. Buckminster Fuller's famed geodesic dome is now the Montreal Biosphere, a museum dedicated to the environment. The other is Moshe Safdie's wildly ambitious icon of reimagined apartment living that mixed the idealism and utopianism of the 60's. What structure?		<input type="checkbox"/>
112	Although written in real life by Jim Lewis, who is credited with writing the self-help book <i>Before You Leap: A Frog's Eye View of Life's Greatest Lessons</i> ?		<input type="checkbox"/>
113	In January 2012, the New York Times carried an article about X, a certain media personality. In it, X wondered why a certain person, Y's life story hadn't been retold in hip-hop, comparing it to that of Tupac Shakur's, complete with boastfulness, torrid sexual exploits and gun duels. The article noted that despite these similarities, it would take a special talent - like the person being featured - to make the leap. Name either X OR Y.		<input type="checkbox"/>
114 *	The MLB was on strike, the NHL had just returned from a lockout, and the OJ Simpson trial was in full swing. It was at this juncture that David B Falk, of the agency F.A.M.E, sent a fax message to the media. Later, it was said that it revitalised American sport. What was the two-word content of the fax?		<input type="checkbox"/>
115	In the late 1800s, the gemstone jet surged back into popular use in jewellery and as a clothing embellishment in England thanks to its socially appropriate, fashionable black colour and modest appearance. Whose death led to the start of this trend in mourning fashion?		<input type="checkbox"/>
116	<i>Da grande</i> is a 1987 Italian romantic comedy film directed by Franco Amurri. This coming-of-age comedy is said to be the inspiration for a 1988 Hollywood blockbuster directed by Penny Marshall, which was the first feature film directed by a woman to gross over \$100 million. Using the title of the Italian film, identify the Hollywood one.		<input type="checkbox"/>



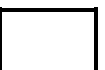
117	When 9 th -century essayist, polymath and polemicist Al-Jahiz saw this newly built capital city in 766 AD, he praised its great height, its perfect circularity, its wide gates and watertight defences. "It was as though it is poured into a mould and cast" he exclaimed particularly admiring its roundness. Which 'City of Peace', founded by Abu Jabar al-Mansur, is now a byword for inner-city decay and violence on a daily scale?		<input type="checkbox"/>
118	Beijing writer Zhang Wei paid 10,000 Swiss francs (\$12,864) for a shot of 1878 Macallan's while visiting the Waldhaus Am See hotel in St Moritz, from a bottle that later turned out to be fake. The scotch was dispensed in a 3.6 ml (essentially a teaspoonful) unit which goes by what name, that is also the currency of Armenia?		<input type="checkbox"/>
119	After Niall Horan topped the charts with his debut single, <i>Flicker</i> , which band joined the Beatles to become the only groups where three members have achieved a solo number one in the US?		<input type="checkbox"/>
120	The non-profit foundation r.i.c.e conducts a survey across India's heartland to confront the problem of open defecation in India. The survey considers sanitation quality, use, ease of access, and various trends. By what apposite 5-letter name is this survey known?		<input type="checkbox"/>
121 **	Barack Obama may be the most recognized individual who belongs to this group of people, who are born and raised in cultures other than that of their parents. What term, first used by Ruth Hill Useem in the 1960s during her anthropological study of expatriates in India, describes this group that feels at home everywhere and nowhere?		<input type="checkbox"/>
122	They have been a token of music lineage for centuries, which the Gharana gurus guarded jealously as private property. Often given away as dowry or even pawned off, they were prized possessions for generations of musicians and composers. What fixed composition in Hindustani Classical Music, derives its name from Urdu for 'binding together'?		<input type="checkbox"/>
123	Which psychological technique, used primarily as a heuristic exercise in self-help groups and corporate settings, was created by Joseph Luft and Harrington Ingham in 1955, who decided to name their model by combining their own names?		<input type="checkbox"/>
124 *	In 2013, an Indian worker in Hong Kong was arrested on charges of raping a student who was staying in the same place as him. The event garnered widespread attention, with several commentators choosing to blame - only half-jokingly- another Hong Konger who had nothing to do with the crime. The man's crime, seemingly, was to make this place a 'trap for China's young artsy women'. Where did this unfortunate incident take place?		<input type="checkbox"/>
125	It was a phase in the late 18th/early 19th century Britain when there was a huge spike in the construction of something. Chiefly driven by mine owners who wanted to cut down the cost of their coal and increase availability, it led to every bank and entrepreneur being involved in this frenzied activity. What 'mania' was this?		<input type="checkbox"/>
126	Earlier in 2017, a Seoul court came down hard on something the South Korean government did to help the US military in the area in the 1960s and 70s. In a hard-hitting statement, the judges panel described the plaintiffs as _____ for the US military, using this historically loaded euphemism that equated their suffering to that endured by a similar group in an earlier war. Fill in the blanks.		<input type="checkbox"/>
127	In July 2017, Valerie Aurora and Leigh Honeywell wrote a blog post stating their _____ theory of sexual harassment. After analyzing several cases of sexual harassment, they concluded that people who engage in sexual harassment are also likely to engage in activities like stealing, embezzling, and racism. This, they said, mirrored another person who, despite his more notorious activities, was charged with a far lesser crime. Who?		<input type="checkbox"/>
128 *	Carrying a different meaning in Physics and Thermodynamics, which nine-letter word in evolutionary biology refers to a process in which organisms diversify from an ancestral species into a multitude of new forms, e.g. due to adaptive change? An example is the different beak shapes of the finches noted by Darwin on the Galapagos Archipelago, because of adaptation to different food sources		<input type="checkbox"/>



129	Produced by washing all the starch out of wheat flour till only the gluten remains, this popular meat substitute is a vegan's dream, but devilish to those seeking a gluten-free diet. What product, also known as "wheat meat" most likely originated in China in the 6th century, but got its most well-known name in 1961 thanks to a Japanese macrobiotic diet advocate?		<input type="checkbox"/>
130	In Indian Contract Law, there is a special provision, extant since British times, to provide protection to _____ women on the grounds of their being ignorant of the world at large. A contract with such a woman is presumed to have been induced by undue influence and is only considered valid if it can be proven that the woman (a) is aware of the contract (b) understands the contract and its implications, and (c) enters into it with full & free consent. Fill in the blank with a specific term.		<input type="checkbox"/>
131	What name is shared by a North Italian river, a Japanese suffix denoting the first-born son of a family, a family of root vegetables and an Alt-J song about the first female photojournalist to die while covering the frontlines of a war?		<input type="checkbox"/>
132	Founded in 1988, the name of which multinational cybersecurity software company established and currently headquartered in the Czech Republic comes from an old nautical term meaning 'to stop or pause in any exercise or operation'?		<input type="checkbox"/>
133	Created in 2009 by the Gay And Lesbian Entertainment Critics Association (GALENA), these awards are given to film and television material accessible in the USA, with categories ranging from general to LGBTQ-centric. After which Prima Donna are the awards named after, vainly played on-screen by Hurd Hatfield in 1945?		<input type="checkbox"/>
134	Born Alda, in a Nepali Christian family, this actress entered the film industry as a child artist, before going on to make it big in the 50s and 60s. She was also, quite appropriately the star of Maitighar, the 1st Nepali movie produced under a private banner. Since she grew up in Kolkata and had a common Bengali surname, many assumed she was Bengali herself. Identify this popular actress whose daughter had an unsuccessful acting stint during the 90s.		<input type="checkbox"/>
135	This company was founded in 1971 by former US Marine Frederick W Smith in Memphis, Tennessee, and began operations in 1973. The name was chosen to symbolize a national marketplace and hoped the name would resonate with the country's central bank, a potential customer. Which company?		<input type="checkbox"/>
136 *	The clement weather and low-cost hydroelectric power resources of East Wenatchee, a small town in Washington, USA, help make it the most efficient, if unlikely, home for a data centre that analyses and manages over 7% of the world's financial assets. Who runs this data centre?		<input type="checkbox"/>
137	Mukkaram Jah lives in a small flat in Turkey. After living many years in the Australian outback, he wishes he could go back, but has no money. However, his real hometown is an Indian city, where, in 1967, he came to national attention after his grandfather's passing. Back then, the only pleasure he got from going to the city was tinkering with his grandfather's 56 mostly broken-down cars. How do we better know him or his grandfather?		<input type="checkbox"/>
138	This tree derives its generic name from the Cassowary, because of the similarities between the bird's feathers and the plant's foliage. Quite effective in checking the advance of drifting sand and thereby minimizing the effect of abrasive actions of sand-laden winds, which tree is this whose usage is widespread in many ASI protected monuments in India?		<input type="checkbox"/>
139	"I do get disappointed that so many members spend so much time-solving puzzles", said Dr Lancelot Ware, stating why he had no intention of joining a society that he co-founded in 1946. Which group, originally meant to be a forum for intelligent debate and discussion?		<input type="checkbox"/>
140	Normally, the term can be used for works that deal with a social ill, and designed to influence public opinion. Henrik Ibsen's works in the late 19th century are a classic example of it. The critic FS Boas gave it an entirely new meaning when he used it to describe a set of early 17th century works that were hard to categorize. What term is this?		<input type="checkbox"/>



141 *	Although its origins are quite hazy, its popularity can be traced to designer Paul Poiret's 1908 designs. Peaking from 1908 to 1914, what short-lived fashion trend is this, which killed off heavy and billowing petticoats, but shackled and hindered mobility?		<input type="checkbox"/>
142 **	Found in dipterous insects (those using only a single pair of wings to fly), what name is given to the tiny dumbbell-shaped organs that are modified from their hindwings that provide guidance and balance during fast acrobatic manoeuvres in flight? The name is also a type of dumbbells used in Ancient Greece used for exercise or as weights in their version of the long jump.		<input type="checkbox"/>
143	The name Red Sea is a translation of a now obsolete Greek term that was once used in ancient cartography for this body of water and confusingly, for the Arabian Sea. Which modern day country also derives its name from this Greek term?		<input type="checkbox"/>
144	This critically acclaimed, cult 1990 documentary chronicles the gay drag ball culture of New York City in the 1980s. While its name refers to the host of the ball at the heart of the documentary, it also sounds like the answer to a possibly apocryphal query from the last days of WWII. Name the documentary.		<input type="checkbox"/>
145	There are only 3 churches across the world that have been built over the tomb of the Apostles. If St. Peter's Basilica and the Cathedral of Santiago De Compostela, Spain are the first two, which is the third one, that is much closer home? We need a name and city.		<input type="checkbox"/>
146	Across England, streets with the name Grove Lane or Grape Street can be found. These names, however, are the bowdlerized versions of their original name that was derived from the profession most commonly practised on those streets in medieval England. What?		<input type="checkbox"/>
147 *	SAMBO is a martial art and combat sport whose name is an acronym, the expansion of which literally translates to 'self-defence without weapons.' It was developed in the early 1920s for the exclusive purpose of training a newly-formed, vast group of people who would end up playing an influential role for most of the rest of the century. Which group of people?		<input type="checkbox"/>
148	In 2004, Coca Cola's ill-fated launch of Dasani bottled water in the UK, had to deal with everything being called out for rebottling tap water, to bromate contamination at their plant, and, to add insult to injury, their online marketing campaign, which used headlines that said, "full of _____", "Bottled _____", and that you "Can't live without _____." What word, a synonym for energy and vitality, but also a rude term in England, filled in the blanks?		<input type="checkbox"/>
149	The European Space Agency's Mars Lander which was to land in October 2016 and collect scientific data, crash landed and was a write-off. It bore the name of which astronomer whose 1877 observations were mistranslated into English and caused the birth of a legend and inspired several science-fiction stories?		<input type="checkbox"/>
150	To mark a somber centenary, the Smithsonian ran an exhibit from June 2014 titled <i>Once There Were Billions</i> . Which 'First Lady' was the star of the show?		<input type="checkbox"/>



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