

Round One

Easy

1. Which singer finally released her album 25 before Christmas?

Answer: Adele

2. According to the nursery rhyme, who was a *merry, old soul* and *called for his fiddlers* 3.

Answer: Old King Cole

Moderate

3. Which word is both an abbreviation used for the internet and what a fisherman uses to retrieve fish from the water?

Answer: Net

4. What is the capital of Croatia?

Answer: Zagreb

Difficult

5. What is the name given to a huge mass of ice that travels over land under its own weight?

Answer: Glacier

6. Which type of low PH rain contains chemicals that causes damage to the environment?

Answer: Acid Rain

Round Two

Easy

1. How many people appear on the Credit Union Logo?

Answer: 4

2. The ECB features regularly in the news. If the E and C stand for European and Central, what does the B stand for?

Answer: Bank

Moderate

3. Beginning with C, what do you call the bits of paper thrown at parades and over a bride and groom after weddings?

Answer: Confetti

4. On what curved, segmented part of a scorpion would you find it sting?

Answer: Its tail

Difficult

5. Which actor plays Mr. Bean?

Answer: Rowan Atkinson

6. What sport would you associate with the Davis Cup?

Answer: Tennis

Round Three

Easy

1. What animal lives in a sett/set?

Answer: A Badger

2. The latest instalment of the Star Wars Saga was released recently. Which of the seven films is Episode V?

Answer: The Empire Strikes Back

Moderate

3. What is the first name of Prince William and Kate Middleton's baby girl?

Answer: Charlotte

4. What actor provides the voice of Po in Kung Fu Panda? (Hint, his first name and surname rhyme)

Answer: Jack Black

Difficult

5. Ireland was hit by many storms in recent months which were all named. E.g. Storm Barney, Storm Clodagh. Which storm started with D?

Answer: Storm Desmond.

6. Who is the president of Russia?

Answer: Vladimir Putin

Round Four

Easy

1. Which team won the Rugby World Cup in 2015?

Answer: New Zealand

2. Unscramble this seaside bird: LSAEGLU

Answer: Seagull

Moderate

3. In which European capital city would you find Trafalgar Square?

Answer: London

4. Which William shot an apple from his son's head? The answer is a verb?

Answer: William Tell

Difficult

5. There are only 2 countries in the world with the letter X in their names. Name either.

Answer: Mexico/Luxembourg

6. Which bone is higher up in your body – the fibula or the clavicle?

Answer: Clavicle (collar bone)

Round Five

Easy

1. In the 12 days of Christmas, on the third day, how many French Hens did my true love give to me?

Answer: 3

2. In which book by Roald Dahl do the Oompa Loompas appear? Hint: CATCF.

Answer: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Moderate

3. Which BBC radio DJ is a new judge on the X Factor?

Answer: Nick Grimshaw

4. What is the square root of 9?

Answer: 3

Difficult

5. Which fish can be white, brown or rainbow?

Answer: Trout

6. Which Norton wrote the Phantom Tollbooth?

Answer: Norton Juster

Round Six

Easy

1. What is the name of the Australian aboriginal weapon which is designed to return to the person who throws it?

Answer: Boomerang

2. Complete the name of the Jeremy Strong book – The Hundred Mile an Hour ____.

Answer: Dog

Moderate

3. What do you call a young swan?

Answer: A cygnet

4. Who took over as Liverpool manager on October 8th, 2015? (Accept Surname)

Answer: Jurgen Klopp

Difficult

5. Unscramble this anagram which means old? Canine T

Answer: Ancient

6. What is the widest river in the world?

Answer: The Amazon

Round Seven

Easy

1. Who had a big git with Sax in 2015?

Answer: Fleur East

2. What is the name of Greg's younger brother in the Diary of a Wimpy kid series?

Answer: Manny/Manuel

Moderate

3. In which county would you find Bunratty Castle?

Answer: Co. Clare

4. Which international rugby team plays its home games at Twickenham?

Answer: England

Difficult

5. In what organ would you find your cerebellum?

Answer: Brain

6. In Mythology, which woman was said to turn a man to stone if he looked at her?

Answer begins with M.

Answer: Medusa

Round Eight

Easy

1. Which 'sweet' Lord is famous for announcing 'You're Fired!'?

Answer: Lord (Alan) Sugar

2. Which Irishman was nominated for a Golden Globe for his role in the film Steve Jobs?

Answer: Michael Fassbender

Moderate

3. What mayonnaise based sauce, beginning with T, is a common accompaniment to fish?

Answer: Tartar(e)

4. What does the M stand for in GMT?

Answer: Mean

Difficult

5. Name the small ponies, native to Scottish islands of the same name?

Answer: Shetland

6. What is the correct name for a lie detector test? Answer is made up of a girl's name and something you would draw in maths!

Answer: Polygraph

Round Nine

Easy

1. Who is the current President of the Irish League of Credit Unions?

Answer: Mr Brian McCrory

2. Grandfather, cuckoo and alarm are all types of what?

Answer: Clock

Moderate

3. To what animal does the word Lupine refer?

Answers: Wolf

4. Who manages the Kilkenny hurling team?

Answer: Brian Cody

Difficult

5. The band Rudimental featured which superstar on their hit *Lay it All on Me*?

Answer: Ed Sheeran

6. What word is both: the name of a soft drink and another word for a fairy or an elf? The answer begins with S.

Answer: Sprite

Round Ten

Easy

1. Hans Christian Anderson wrote the Ugly _____.

Answer: Duckling

2. Paul Hewson is the real name of which Irish celebrity?

Answer: Bono

Moderate

3. Name the American harbour bombed by the Japanese on December 7th, 1941?

Answer: Pearl Harbour

4. How many hours in 4 days?

Answer: 96

Difficult

5. What Y is a system of Hindu philosophy and meditation that involves specific physical movement and stretching?

Answer: Yoga

6. In which sea would you find the islands of Sicily and Sardinia?

Answer: Mediterranean

Round 11

Competition B Only

Easy

1. Rupert Grint played which character in the Harry Potter series?

Answer: Ron (Weasley)

2. Which bird lives in an Eyrie/Aerie?

Answer: Eagle

Moderate

3. What type of rock that can be used to roof a house was also used to write on in schools many years ago?

Answer: Slate

4. Which band released an album called Made in the A.M. in 2015?

Answer: One Direction

Difficult

5. Benfica and Porto are soccer teams from which country?

Answer: Portugal

6. Which T is a machine for producing continuous power, in which a wheel revolves?

These are usually fitted with vanes (blades) and can be seen all over the Irish countryside.

Answer: Turbines

Round Twelve

Competition B only

Easy

1. Name the code, usually used in an emergency, which is made up of dots and dashes?

Answer: Morse

2. Which Armagh man managed the Irish International Rules team to victory in the 2015 series?

Answer: Joe Kernan

Moderate

3. How many signs of the Chinese Zodiac are there?

Answer: 12

4. According to mythology, which hero was killed by an arrow through the back of his heel?

Answer: Achilles

Difficult

5. The Hoover Dam is on which American river?

Answer: Colorado

6. Name the series of novels by Enid Blyton about a girl called Darrell Rivers who attends a boarding school in England? The answer is 2 words and the first is a female name.

Answer: Malory Towers

Tiebreakers (1)
CHOOSE ANY 3

1. On what continent is Victoria Falls?

Answer: Africa

2. What is the capital of Venezuela?

Answer: Caracas

3. Who painted The Blue Boy?

Answer: Thomas Gainsborough

4. In which American city would you find The Field Museum, The Shedd Aquarium and the White Sox?

Answer: Chicago

5. Mary Lennox features in which book by Frances Hodgson Burnett?

Answer: The Secret Garden

6. How many meters in length is an Olympic Swimming Pool?

Answer: 50 (nearest wins)

Tiebreakers (2)

CHOOSE ANY 3

1. Name the type of folk dance that originated in England, where bells are usually worn on the shins and implements such as sticks, swords or handkerchiefs are used?

Answer: Morris Dancing

2. In what country is Timbuktu?

Answer: Mali

3. Lyra and the daemon Pan are the main characters in this book by Philip Pullman.

Answer: Northern Lights

4. Which T is a theatre in Dublin and an amusement park in Copenhagen?

Answer: Tivoli

5. Bashar Al-Assad is president of which country?

Answer: Syria

6. Name the rating system originally used for ranking chess players but which is now used for rating a number of multiplayer competitions. Hint: 3 Letters.

Answer: Elo

