

100 pub quiz questions and answers

A complete quiz night in 5 rounds

Round 1 — General Knowledge (Easy)

1. What is the chemical symbol for gold?

- A) Au
- B) Ag
- C) Gd
- D) Go

2. How many sides does a hexagon have?

- A) Five
- B) Six
- C) Seven
- D) Eight

3. Which planet is known as the Red Planet?

- A) Venus
- B) Mars
- C) Jupiter
- D) Mercury

4. What is the largest ocean on Earth?

- A) Atlantic
- B) Indian
- C) Pacific
- D) Arctic

5. In which year did the Titanic sink?

- A) 1910
- B) 1912
- C) 1915
- D) 1918

6. What is the capital of Australia?

- A) Sydney
- B) Melbourne
- C) Canberra
- D) Perth

7. How many players from each team are on court in netball?

- A) Five
- B) Six
- C) Seven
- D) Eight

8. What is the currency of Japan?

- A) Yuan
- B) Won
- C) Yen
- D) Ringgit

9. Which gas do plants absorb from the atmosphere?

- A) Oxygen
- B) Carbon dioxide
- C) Nitrogen
- D) Hydrogen

10. How many strings does a standard violin have?

- A) Four

- B) Five
- C) Six
- D) Seven

11. What is the hardest naturally occurring substance on Earth?

- A) Quartz
- B) Diamond
- C) Granite
- D) Obsidian

12. How many minutes are there in a full day?

- A) 1,200
- B) 1,440
- C) 1,600
- D) 2,400

13. In the UK, what does NHS stand for?

- A) National Health Service
- B) National Hospital System
- C) New Health Standard
- D) National Healthcare Society

14. How many degrees are there in a right angle?

- A) 45
- B) 90
- C) 180
- D) 360

15. What is the main ingredient in guacamole?

- A) Avocado
- B) Courgette
- C) Pea
- D) Broad bean

16. What is the largest living mammal?

- A) African elephant
- B) Blue whale
- C) Giraffe
- D) Polar bear

17. What is the smallest country in the world by area?

- A) Monaco
- B) Vatican City
- C) San Marino
- D) Liechtenstein

18. Which element has the chemical symbol O?

- A) Osmium
- B) Oxygen
- C) Gold
- D) Oganesson

19. How many letters are there in the English alphabet?

- A) 24
- B) 25
- C) 26
- D) 27

20. What is the freezing point of water in degrees Celsius?

- A) 0
- B) 32
- C) 100
- D) -10

Round 2 — Music (Medium)

1. Which band released “Bohemian Rhapsody”?

- A) Queen
- B) The Beatles
- C) Led Zeppelin
- D) The Who

2. How many keys does a standard piano have?

- A) 76
- B) 82
- C) 88
- D) 92

3. Who is widely known as the King of Pop?

- A) Elvis Presley
- B) Michael Jackson
- C) Prince
- D) James Brown

4. Which Swedish group won the 1974 Eurovision Song Contest with “Waterloo”?

- A) ABBA
- B) Roxette
- C) Ace of Base
- D) A-ha

5. Which city were The Beatles formed in?

- A) Liverpool
- B) Manchester
- C) London
- D) Birmingham

6. Who recorded the song “Rolling in the Deep”?

- A) Adele
- B) Amy Winehouse
- C) Duffy
- D) Florence Welch

7. Which composer wrote “The Four Seasons”?

- A) Bach
- B) Vivaldi
- C) Mozart
- D) Handel

8. How many musicians perform in a quartet?

- A) Three
- B) Four
- C) Five
- D) Six

9. Which British band released the single “Wonderwall”?

- A) Blur
- B) Oasis
- C) Pulp
- D) Suede

10. Which artist wrote and performed “Purple Rain”?

- A) Prince
- B) Lenny Kravitz
- C) Rick James
- D) Stevie Wonder

11. What nationality was the composer Ludwig van Beethoven?

- A) German

- B) Austrian
- C) Polish
- D) Hungarian

12. Which instrument is Yo-Yo Ma best known for playing?

- A) Violin
- B) Cello
- C) Piano
- D) Flute

13. In which decade did punk rock emerge in the UK?

- A) 1960s
- B) 1970s
- C) 1980s
- D) 1990s

14. Who is the lead singer of The Rolling Stones?

- A) Mick Jagger
- B) Keith Richards
- C) Ronnie Wood
- D) Charlie Watts

15. Which musical features the song “Defying Gravity”?

- A) Wicked
- B) Hamilton
- C) Cats
- D) Les Misérables

16. What does the term “a cappella” mean?

- A) Sung without instruments
- B) Sung very quietly
- C) Sung in a round
- D) Sung in Latin

17. Which Beatles album cover features a zebra crossing?

- A) Abbey Road
- B) Revolver
- C) Let It Be
- D) Help!

18. How many strings does a standard bass guitar have?

- A) Four
- B) Five
- C) Six
- D) Seven

19. Which Elvis Presley hit opens with the line “Well, since my baby left me”?

- A) Heartbreak Hotel
- B) Hound Dog
- C) Jailhouse Rock
- D) Love Me Tender

20. In music, what does the abbreviation DJ stand for?

- A) Disc Jockey
- B) Dance Juggler
- C) Double Jack
- D) Direct Jockey

Round 3 — Film and Television (Medium)

1. Which film features the line “Here’s looking at you, kid”?

- A) Casablanca
- B) Gone with the Wind
- C) Citizen Kane

D) The Maltese Falcon

2. Who directed the 1975 film “Jaws”?

- A) Steven Spielberg
- B) George Lucas
- C) Ridley Scott
- D) Martin Scorsese

3. In the 1939 film “The Wizard of Oz”, what colour are Dorothy’s slippers?

- A) Silver
- B) Ruby red
- C) Emerald green
- D) Gold

4. Which British sitcom is set in the fictional town of Walmington-on-Sea?

- A) Dad’s Army
- B) Hi-de-Hi!
- C) Porridge
- D) Blackadder

5. Which actor plays Indiana Jones?

- A) Harrison Ford
- B) Kurt Russell
- C) Mel Gibson
- D) Michael Douglas

6. Which animated film follows a clownfish searching for his son?

- A) Finding Nemo
- B) Shark Tale
- C) The Little Mermaid
- D) Moana

7. In “Friends”, what is Joey’s catchphrase?

- A) How you doin’?
- B) Could I be any later?
- C) Pivot!
- D) We were on a break

8. Which actor was the first to play James Bond on film?

- A) Sean Connery
- B) Roger Moore
- C) George Lazenby
- D) Timothy Dalton

9. Which television series features the Stark family?

- A) Game of Thrones
- B) The Witcher
- C) Vikings
- D) The Last Kingdom

10. What is the name of the hotel in “The Shining”?

- A) The Overlook
- B) The Bates
- C) The Grand Budapest
- D) The Stanley

11. Which Pixar film features a rat who wants to be a chef?

- A) Ratatouille
- B) Up
- C) Coco
- D) Luca

12. Which actor played Harry Potter in the film series?

- A) Daniel Radcliffe

- B) Rupert Grint
- C) Eddie Redmayne
- D) Tom Felton

13. In which soap opera would you find the Rovers Return pub?

- A) Coronation Street
- B) EastEnders
- C) Emmerdale
- D) Hollyoaks

14. Which Tom Hanks film includes the line “Life is like a box of chocolates”?

- A) Forrest Gump
- B) Big
- C) Cast Away
- D) Philadelphia

15. What colour is the TARDIS in “Doctor Who”?

- A) Blue
- B) Red
- C) Green
- D) Black

16. Who directed “Pulp Fiction”?

- A) Quentin Tarantino
- B) Robert Rodriguez
- C) Guy Ritchie
- D) Coen Brothers

17. In “The Simpsons”, what is Homer’s middle name?

- A) Jay
- B) John
- C) Joseph
- D) James

18. Which film series features the character Ellen Ripley?

- A) Alien
- B) Predator
- C) Terminator
- D) Blade Runner

19. Which 1994 film is set largely in Shawshank State Penitentiary?

- A) The Shawshank Redemption
- B) The Green Mile
- C) Escape from Alcatraz
- D) Cool Hand Luke

20. In “Toy Story”, what kind of toy is Woody?

- A) A cowboy doll
- B) A space ranger
- C) A piggy bank
- D) A dinosaur

Round 4 — Sport (Medium)

1. How many players from each team are on the pitch in a football match?

- A) Nine
- B) Ten
- C) Eleven
- D) Twelve

2. In which sport would you perform a slam dunk?

- A) Basketball
- B) Volleyball
- C) Handball

D) Netball

3. How many holes are there on a full-size golf course?

- A) Nine
- B) Twelve
- C) Eighteen
- D) Twenty-one

4. How long is a marathon, in miles?

- A) 20.2
- B) 24.2
- C) 26.2
- D) 30.2

5. How many players are there in a cricket team?

- A) Nine
- B) Ten
- C) Eleven
- D) Twelve

6. What is the maximum standard break in snooker?

- A) 131
- B) 140
- C) 147
- D) 155

7. Which sport is played with a shuttlecock?

- A) Badminton
- B) Squash
- C) Table tennis
- D) Padel

8. How many years are there between Summer Olympic Games?

- A) Two
- B) Three
- C) Four
- D) Five

9. In rugby union, how many points is a try worth?

- A) Three
- B) Four
- C) Five
- D) Seven

10. In which country did judo originate?

- A) Japan
- B) China
- C) Korea
- D) Thailand

11. In darts, what is the highest score possible with three darts?

- A) 150
- B) 170
- C) 180
- D) 200

12. How many rings are there on the Olympic flag?

- A) Four
- B) Five
- C) Six
- D) Seven

13. How long is an Olympic swimming pool?

- A) 25 metres

- B) 33 metres
- C) 50 metres
- D) 100 metres

14. How many rounds are there in a standard world championship boxing match?

- A) Eight
- B) Ten
- C) Twelve
- D) Fifteen

15. Which famous horse race is run at Aintree?

- A) The Grand National
- B) The Derby
- C) The Gold Cup
- D) The Oaks

16. In tennis, what term is used for a score of zero?

- A) Love
- B) Nil
- C) Duck
- D) Blank

17. Which sport is played at Lord's?

- A) Cricket
- B) Tennis
- C) Rugby
- D) Football

18. In darts, how many points is the bullseye worth?

- A) 25
- B) 50
- C) 60
- D) 100

19. England and Australia compete for which trophy in cricket?

- A) The Ashes
- B) The Wisden Trophy
- C) The Border Cup
- D) The Century Cup

20. In athletics, how many events make up a decathlon?

- A) Seven
- B) Eight
- C) Ten
- D) Twelve

Round 5 — Around the World (Medium)

1. What is the capital of Canada?

- A) Toronto
- B) Ottawa
- C) Vancouver
- D) Montreal

2. Which country contains more lakes than any other?

- A) Canada
- B) Russia
- C) Finland
- D) Sweden

3. What is the capital of Japan?

- A) Osaka
- B) Kyoto
- C) Tokyo

D) Nagoya

4. On which continent is the Sahara Desert?

- A) Africa
- B) Asia
- C) South America
- D) Australia

5. How many countries make up the United Kingdom?

- A) Two
- B) Three
- C) Four
- D) Five

6. Which is the largest country in the world by land area?

- A) Canada
- B) China
- C) Russia
- D) United States

7. Which sea lies between Europe and North Africa?

- A) The Mediterranean
- B) The Baltic
- C) The Adriatic
- D) The Black Sea

8. What is the capital of Spain?

- A) Barcelona
- B) Madrid
- C) Seville
- D) Valencia

9. Which mountain range forms the border between France and Spain?

- A) The Alps
- B) The Pyrenees
- C) The Apennines
- D) The Carpathians

10. What is the currency of Switzerland?

- A) The euro
- B) The Swiss franc
- C) The krone
- D) The mark

11. Which is the largest US state by area?

- A) Texas
- B) California
- C) Alaska
- D) Montana

12. What is the capital of New Zealand?

- A) Auckland
- B) Wellington
- C) Christchurch
- D) Dunedin

13. Which river flows through London?

- A) The Thames
- B) The Severn
- C) The Mersey
- D) The Trent

14. Off the coast of which country is the Great Barrier Reef?

- A) Australia

- B) Indonesia
- C) The Philippines
- D) Fiji

15. What is the capital of Egypt?

- A) Alexandria
- B) Cairo
- C) Giza
- D) Luxor

16. In which country is the city of Marrakesh?

- A) Morocco
- B) Tunisia
- C) Algeria
- D) Egypt

17. What is the capital of Norway?

- A) Bergen
- B) Oslo
- C) Stavanger
- D) Trondheim

18. Which ocean lies off the east coast of the United States?

- A) The Pacific
- B) The Atlantic
- C) The Indian
- D) The Arctic

19. In which country would you find Machu Picchu?

- A) Peru
- B) Bolivia
- C) Chile
- D) Ecuador

20. Which Italian city is built around a network of canals?

- A) Venice
- B) Florence
- C) Naples
- D) Verona

Answers

Round 1 — General Knowledge (Easy)

1. Au
2. Six
3. Mars
4. Pacific
5. 1912
6. Canberra
7. Seven
8. Yen
9. Carbon dioxide
10. Four
11. Diamond
12. 1,440
13. National Health Service
14. 90
15. Avocado
16. Blue whale
17. Vatican City
18. Oxygen
19. 26
20. 0

Round 2 — Music (Medium)

1. Queen
2. 88
3. Michael Jackson
4. ABBA
5. Liverpool
6. Adele
7. Vivaldi
8. Four
9. Oasis
10. Prince
11. German
12. Cello
13. 1970s
14. Mick Jagger
15. Wicked
16. Sung without instruments
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11. Ratatouille

12. Daniel Radcliffe
13. Coronation Street
14. Forrest Gump
15. Blue
16. Quentin Tarantino
17. Jay
18. Alien
19. The Shawshank Redemption
20. A cowboy doll

Round 4 — Sport (Medium)

1. Eleven
2. Basketball
3. Eighteen
4. 26.2
5. Eleven
6. 147
7. Badminton
8. Four
9. Five
10. Japan
11. 180
12. Five
13. 50 metres
14. Twelve
15. The Grand National
16. Love
17. Cricket
18. 50
19. The Ashes
20. Ten

Round 5 — Around the World (Medium)

1. Ottawa
2. Canada
3. Tokyo
4. Africa
5. Four
6. Russia
7. The Mediterranean
8. Madrid
9. The Pyrenees
10. The Swiss franc
11. Alaska
12. Wellington
13. The Thames
14. Australia
15. Cairo
16. Morocco
17. Oslo
18. The Atlantic
19. Peru
20. Venice