



## **ONLINE QUIZ LEAGUE**

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## Round 1

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| 1a  | Raleigh is the capital of the US state of North Carolina, but not its largest city by population. What is the largest city by population in North Carolina?   | <b><u>CHARLOTTE</u></b>  |
| _1b | The line "What we've got here is failure to communicate." spoken by the actor Strother Martin, appears in which 1967 film?  | <b><u>COOL HAND LUKE</u></b>   |
| 2a  | Which Nobel Prize-winning Chilean author took his pen-name from that of a 19th century Czech poet?  | Pablo <b><u>NERUDA</u></b>   |
| 2b  | Which player, who played the first 12 years of her WNBA career with the Los Angeles Sparks from 2008 to 2020, was the second person (Lisa Leslie being the first) to dunk in an WNBA game?  | Candace <b><u>PARKER</u></b>   |
| 3a  | Which order of fish, with a Greek name meaning 'hollow spine' and closely related to the lungfish, was believed to have been extinct since the Cretaceous period? A live specimen was caught off the coast of South Africa in 1938? | <b><u>COELACANTH</u></b> (SEE-la-canth; be generous as long as the consonants are there) |
| 3b  | The 1955 single 'Speedoo' was the most famous song by which doo-wop group? The song was instrumental in introducing African-American rock and roll performers to white audiences.   | The <b><u>CADILLACS</u></b>  |
| 4a  | Which American financier who rose to fame for his development of 'junk bonds' while at 'Drexel Burnham Lambert' was jailed for insider trading in 1989, but was pardoned by Donald Trump in 2020?                                   | Michael <b><u>MILKEN</u></b>   |
| 4b  | in 1861, who was elected the first, and only, President of the Confederate States?  | Jefferson <b><u>DAVIS</u></b>  |

**Round 2**

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| 1a | Which of the flavors of quark is the most massive fundamental particle known? Discovered in 1995, it was one of two particles that had been proposed to explain CP violation in kaon decay.   | <b><u>TOP</u></b>  |
| 1b | Which 1991 John Adams opera is based on events around the 1985 hijacking of the passenger liner 'Achille Lauro'?  | <b><u>DEATH OF KLINGHOFFER</u></b>   |
| 2a | Popular in Germany and Poland, the U-boat is a cocktail made by dropping a bomb shot of vodka into a glass of beer. It's similar to what American cocktail that uses whiskey the same way?  | <b><u>BOILERMAKER</u></b>  |
| 2b | What was the name of the British joint-stock company which, between the Battle of Plassey in 1757 and the Sepoy Mutiny 101 years later, effectively ruled Britain's South Asian colonies? It held monopolies on many products and, in the late 18th century, accounted for around half of the entire world's trade. | <b><u>EAST INDIA</u> Company or<br/><u>BRITISH EAST INDIA</u> Company<br/>or <u>HONORABLE EAST INDIA</u><br/>Company</b> |
| 3a | In economics, what scientific-sounding word means the extent to which a change in one variable affects supply or demand? An example might be the extent to which sales of an item will rise if its price falls by a given amount.   | <b><u>ELASTICITY</u></b>   |
| 3b | The fictional advertising agency 'Sterling Cooper' is central to the plot of which American television series, which ran from 2007 to 2015?   | <b><u>MAD MEN</u></b>  |
| 4a | The sisters Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy March are central to which American novel and its two sequels?   | <b><u>LITTLE WOMEN</u></b>   |
| 4b | Which Dutch speedskater was the most decorated athlete at the Sochi Winter Olympics? In total she has won 5 Winter Olympic Gold Medals.   | <b>Ireen <u>WUST</u> (voost)</b>   |

**Round 3**

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| 1a | One of the shortest famous celebrity marriages was the 56 hour, 2004 marriage between Jason Alexander (not that one) and which music superstar?  | Britney <b><u>SPEARS</u></b> |
| 1b | Which American company with a Japanese name, also known for its home console systems, released the uber-popular Pong?  | <b><u>ATARI</u></b>          |
| 2a | Galena is an important ore of which soft, heavy element?   | <b><u>LEAD</u></b>           |
| 2b | Considered one of the greatest Indian films of all time, which 1975 film tells the story of two criminals, Veeru and Jai, who are hired by a retired police officer to capture the ruthless bandit Gabbar Singh? | <b><u>SHOLAY</u></b>         |
| 3a | In Greek mythology, who was the goddess of youth and cupbearer to the gods until she married Heracles and was replaced by Ganymede?  | <b><u>HEBE</u></b> (HEE-bee) |
| 3b | In which South African township were 69 protestors shot dead by police in March 1960?  | <b><u>SHARPEVILLE</u></b>    |
| 4a | What word is given to a large volcanic crater formed by a major eruption leading to the collapse of an emptied magma chamber?  | <b><u>CALDERA</u></b>        |
| 4b | Recorded in 1981-82 in the Bahamas, 'Avalon' was the final studio album by which English glam-and-prog rock band?  | <b><u>ROXY MUSIC</u></b>     |

**Round 4**

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| 1a | Housed at New York's Museum of Modern Art, which 1948 painting by Andrew Wyeth depicts a young woman in a pink dress lying in a field, facing away from the viewer and towards a gray house on the horizon?  | <b><u>CHRISTINA'S WORLD</u></b> |
| 1b | Which peasant's revolt began in a village near the Oise river, just north of Paris, in the early summer of 1358, during the Hundred Years' War? The name of this uprising references a French forename which was used derisively by the nobility to describe peasants. | <b><u>JACQUERIE</u></b>         |
| 2a | Which is the oldest standing bridge across the river Seine in Paris? It stands by the western downstream point of the Île de la Cité in the middle of the river.   | <b>Pont <u>NEUF</u></b>         |
| 2b | <i>The College Dropout</i> , <i>Yeezus</i> and <i>The Life of Pablo</i> were albums by which global music superstar?   | <b>Kanye <u>WEST</u></b>        |
| 3a | John Stith Pemberton founded which worldwide beverage company in 1886?   | <b><u>COCA-COLA</u></b>         |
| 3b | Traditionally, which of the New Year's Six bowl games in College Football is played in New Orleans?  | <b><u>SUGAR Bowl</u></b>        |
| 4a | Tendons connect muscles to bones. What name is given to the short bands of tissue composed mainly of long, stringy collagen fibres that connect bones to one another?  | <b><u>LIGAMENTS</u></b>         |
| 4b | Starring Anna Faris and Allison Janney, which American sitcom that ran from 2013 to 2021 follows the relationship of Christy and Bonnie Plunkett?  | <b><u>MOM</u></b>               |

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**Round 5**

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| 1a | Cinnabar is an important ore of which element whose symbol comes from its former name of hydrargyrum (hy-DRAR-jer-um)?   | <b><u>MERCURY</u></b>                       |
| 1b | Traditionally, which of the New Year's Six bowl games in College Football is played in Arizona?  | <b><u>FIESTA Bowl</u></b>                   |
| 2a | In Greek mythology, who was the beautiful youth loved by Apollo who was killed upon being struck on the head by a discus?  | <b><u>HYACINTH</u> or <u>HYACINTHUS</u></b> |
| 2b | 'I Am Sasha Fierce', '4' and 'Lemonade' were albums by which global music superstar?   | <b><u>BEYONCE/Beyonce KNOWLES</u></b>       |
| 3a | A former caldera, what geographic feature can be found on Mount Mazama in the Western United States?   | <b><u>CRATER LAKE</u></b>                   |
| 3b | Considered one of the greatest Indian films of all time, which 1957 film tells the story of a poverty stricken village woman named Radha who struggles to raise her sons and survive against a cunning money-lender? | <b><u>MOTHER INDIA</u></b>                  |
| 4a | One of the shortest celebrity marriages was the 6 day 1998 marriage between Carmen Electra and which NBA star?   | <b>Dennis <u>RODMAN</u></b>                 |
| 4b | Which high-profile anti-Apartheid activist died in police custody in Pretoria in 1977?   | <b>Steve <u>BIKO</u></b>                    |

**Round 6**

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| 1a | Which medieval stone arch bridge spans the Arno River, in Florence, at its narrowest point? The bridge is noted for the shops, such as jewellers and gift-shops, built along it.   | <b><u>PONTE VECCHIO</u></b>                                  |
| 1b | Which American period drama that premiered in 2013 stars Michael Sheen and Lizzy Caplan and is loosely based on a biography by Thomas Maier? It won a guest star Emmy for Allison Janney.  | <b><u>MASTERS OF SEX</u></b>                                 |
| 2a | Ray Kroc purchased which worldwide food company in 1961?   | <b><u>MCDONALD'S</u></b>                                     |
| 2b | Deriving from the French for 'sling', because slings were used to smash the windows of supporters of Cardinal Mazarin, what name was given to the series of civil wars that took place in France between 1648 and 1653 in the midst of the Franco-Spanish War? | La <b><u>FRONDE</u></b>                                      |
| 3a | Which fibrous structural protein is the key component of human hair and nails, as well as being the structural component of rhinos' horns and birds' feathers?   | <b><u>KERATIN</u></b>  |
| 3b | The 'Mega Drive' and 'Genesis' were consoles made by which Japanese video game developer?  | <b><u>SEGA</u></b>   |
| 4a | Housed at New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, which 1884 painting by John Singer Sargent depicts an anonymous young socialite in a black satin dress with her head turned in profile?   | <b><u>MADAME X</u></b> or Portrait of <b><u>MADAME X</u></b> |
| 4b | Which hugely influential singer-songwriter was the lead singer of Roxy Music, though famed producer Brian Eno is often associated with their sound as well.  | Bryan <b><u>FERRY</u></b>                                    |

**Round 7**

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| 1a | An Old Style beer and a Jeppsons Malort is a bar order known as what city's "Handshake"?  | <b><u>CHICAGO</u></b>             |
| 1b | The 1954 single 'Earth Angel' was the most famous song by which doo-wop group? The song was one of the first rhythm and blues hits to achieve mainstream pop success.   | <b>The <u>PENGUINS</u></b>        |
| 2a | In economics, what two-word phrase describes the benefits, monetary or otherwise, which would have resulted from making one choice but which are sacrificed when making a different choice?   | <b><u>OPPORTUNITY COST</u></b>    |
| 2b | Which player, who had a successful college career at Baylor and was drafted first overall in the 2013 WNBA draft by the Phoenix Mercury was the first player to dunk twice in a WNBA game?  | <b>Brittney <u>GRINER</u></b>     |
| 3a | The Joad family is central to which American novel set during the Great Depression?   | <b>The <u>GRAPES OF WRATH</u></b> |
| 3b | What was the name of the British joint-stock company which, in 1720, was responsible for one the largest economic disasters of the 18th century when speculation about this company's proposal to take over the national debt led to a namesake "bubble"? | <b><u>SOUTH SEA</u> Company</b>   |
| 4a | What name is given to a composite particle made of two or more quarks held together by the strong force? The best-known are the neutrons, consisting of one up quark and two down quarks, and protons, consisting of two up quarks and one down quark.    | <b><u>HADRON</u></b>              |
| 4b | Which American television series that ran from 2008 to 2013 was set and filmed in Albuquerque, New Mexico and followed the adventures of a high school chemistry teacher?   | <b><u>BREAKING BAD</u></b>        |



**Round 8**

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| 1a | Which Nobel Prize-winning Chilean author took her pen-name from that of a French writer and lexicographer who had also won the Nobel Prize in Literature?  | <b>Gabriela <u>MISTRAL</u></b> |
| 1b | Replacing Montgomery in May 1861, what Virginia city was the capital of the Confederate States of America until April 1865 when Jefferson Davis announced the dissolution of the Confederacy?  | <b><u>RICHMOND</u></b>         |
| 2a | Lake Xochimilco [SOTCHEE-MILKO] in Mexico City is the only remaining wild habitat of which unusual species of salamander with a name meaning 'water servant' in the Aztec language?  | <b><u>AXOLOTL</u></b>          |
| 2b | The line "I'm walkin here! I'm walkin here!." spoken by the actor Dustin Hoffman, appears in which 1969 film?  | <b><u>MIDNIGHT COWBOY</u></b>  |
| 3a | Famous for telling graduates at UC Berkeley "I think greed is healthy. You can be greedy and still feel good about yourself", which stock trader was jailed in the late 1980s for insider trading and fined a record \$100 million dollars? He was rather obviously the basis for film character Gordon Gekko. | <b>Ivan <u>BOESKY</u></b>      |
| 3b | Which 2005 John Adams opera is based on events that happened at Los Alamos National Laboratory during the 1940s?   | <b><u>DOCTOR ATOMIC</u></b>    |
| 4a | Topeka is the state capital of the US state of Kansas, but not its largest city by population. What is the largest city by population in Kansas?   | <b><u>WICHITA</u></b>          |
| 4b | Which Dutch speed skater won the men's 5000m event at the 2010, 2014 and 2018 Winter Olympics? He also won gold in the team pursuit at the 2014 games.   | <b>Sven <u>KRAMER</u></b>      |

**Spare Questions**

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| 1 | What novelty hit of the 1970s depicts action that took place on the road during “the dark of the moon on the sixth of June”?                            | <b><u>CONVOY</u></b>               |
| 2 | Which of the Normandy beaches was primarily invaded by Canadian troops on June 6, 1944?   | <b><u>JUNO</u></b>                 |
| 3 | Gustav Vasa was elected King of Sweden on June 6, 1523, effectively ending what Scandinavian multi-national kingdom of the previous century and a half? | <b><u>KALMAR</u> Union</b>         |
| 4 | June 6 is awareness day for what neurodegenerative disorder, which causes hyperkinetic movement known as “chorea” (KOREA)?                              | <b><u>HUNTINGTON’s</u> Disease</b> |