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Advanced Level
Grammar
Choose the best adjective out of the two given in each question below:

1. Sammi didn’t have time to finish the whole exam, so some of her answers were incomplete/deficient.

2. My father’s new car is really rapid/fast.

3. The weather forecast wasn’t very accurate/truthful, because they said it would rain and it’s been fine all day.

4. The noticeable dearth of goal-scoring opportunities means that these are annoying/worrying times indeed for Danby United.

5. My little brother is so greedy/eager. He’s just finished his fourth banana!

6. We gave a donation to the charity, partly because the children on their poster looked so precious/vulnerable.

7. When we got married my husband promised that he would always be dependable/faithful to me.

8. I like the new cushions on your sofa, they’re lovely/lovable.

9. I believe if you want something in life badly enough you should be powerful/persistent and never give up until you’ve reached your goal.

10. This isn’t the finished version of my essay. I always write a rough/clean draft first.

11. Some critics haven’t enjoyed Spielberg’s later films, such as The Terminal and AI, finding them a little too sentimental/extreme.

12. James proposed to Maria at Gina’s party on Saturday. He got down on one knee and everything! It certainly made for a spectacular/memorable evening.

13. When I told my boss that I needed two weeks off to visit my sick grandmother in Mexico, she wasn’t very sympathetic/acceptable. Probably because she knows I don’t have any relatives in Mexico.

14. Jenna doesn’t like her curly/floppy hair, but she’s too lazy to straighten it.

15. “Jas, that skirt is horrendous! No one will ever find you remotely pleasant/attractive if you go outside wearing that!” counselled Jas’s best friend, Mandy.

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Test Your Vocabulary Skills

A Boring/Fascinating Worksheet About Adjectives

Answers:

1. incomplete
2. fast
3. accurate
4. worrying
5. greedy
6. vulnerable
7. faithful
8. lovely
9. persistent
10. rough
11. sentimental
12. memorable
13. sympathetic
14. curly
15. attractive

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Test Your Creative Writing Skills

The Great Alphabet Challenge!

Can you write a sentence, or group of sentences where the first letter of each word starts with successive letters of the alphabet?

One condition - sentences must make sense and be grammatically correct!

Think it’s too hard? Have a look at these examples, then try your own...

1. Are British chefs dutifully engaged finding great hotels in jolly Korean locations? My niece once put quite red strawberry trifles under visitor William’s X-Men yoghurts - zikes!


3. Ask Bernard carefully, “Does Edward follow gentle hippies?” In jest, Kenneth lent Mark next October’s purple quilt - really stupid. Test Uncle Vernon with x-rays, you zit!

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Vocabulary
Write the name of the animal that makes each of these noises:

1. baa
2. chirp
3. squeak
4. cock a doodle doo
5. hiss
6. hoot
7. miaow
8. neigh
9. oink
10. quack
11. ribbit
12. roar
13. squawk
14. woof
15. growl

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Write the name of the animal that makes each of these noises:

Suggested answers:

1. baa  sheep
2. chirp  bird
3. squeak  mouse
4. cock a doodle doo  cockerel
5. hiss  snake
6. hoot  owl
7. miaow  cat
8. neigh  horse
9. oink  pig
10. quack  duck
11. ribbit  frog
12. roar  lion
13. squawk  parrot
14. woof  dog
15. growl  bear

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Reading
Is there anything you would be prepared to stand up and fight for? Would you be prepared to live on top of an abandoned bus station? In freezing temperatures? In a caravan? Protestors from Derby Friends of the Earth certainly would.

Has the dream of luxury accommodation at Derby Bus Station finally become a reality?

Several of their members have been camped out on top of Derby Bus Station – which is currently closed – since October 2005 in a bid to save the windy structure from demolition and to prevent the commencement of building work on the Riverlights project. Riverlights aims to bring a brand new sparkling bus station and leisure complex to the site, which backs onto the geologically important Riverside Gardens.

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This is what the protestors are worried about – saving Derby Riverside Gardens.

The protest, which is led by veteran campaigner Dorothy Skrytek, has recently been buoyed by the mysterious addition of a small caravan which is perching precariously on top of the 30 ft high roof of the bus station. The caravan was donated by masked well wishers, who had the benefit of a crane to help them in their humanitarian mission. Derbyshire police have refused to facilitate the removal of the caravan – which undoubtedly adds a delicious touch of the absurd to the protest – because it is "not causing an obstruction".
Opinion in the fine and usually quite normal city of Derby has been decidedly split by the antics of Ms. Skrytek and her fellow protestors, with many – who are concerned about the introduction of a large entertainment complex and the noise and pollution it could cause – egging them on, while equally many are against the protest and argue that in their opinion the decrepit and unsanitary former bus station – which was designed by Charles Aslin to be useful to Derby bus passengers in the 1930s – is long overdue for knocking down.

Time will tell whether the campaigners will win out or not. Meanwhile, the saga goes on and grows ever more bizarre as weeks pass and winter gives way to spring. We await with wonder the next twist in this eccentric and undoubtedly great British story of pluck. A word of warning for the protestors though: in the story of David versus Goliath, David had only a sling and five smooth stones to defeat his foe. The introduction of the caravan to the bus station roof does, it can be argued, bring a no doubt welcome touch of luxury to the protest. But does it also, in fact, undermine the seriousness of the activists' campaign? After all, it's far easier to

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The Battle for Derby Bus Station (article from 30.01.06)

protest from the comfort of a caravan (albeit one which is rocking gently in the unkind winds that Derby is prone to) than from an exposed and forlorn rooftop.

Derby Bus Station is currently closed and awaiting redevelopment.

Your task is to write 1000 words describing a cause that YOU would be willing to stand up and fight for.

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Research
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Test Your Research Skills

A First Class Quiz

1. What is the name of the company that delivers mail in the UK?
   a) UK Postal Service  b) Royal Mail  c) BT

2. When was it founded?
   a) 1635  b) 1861  c) 1949

3. Who was the King or Queen of England at that time?
   a) King Charles 1  b) King Henry VIII  c) Queen Victoria

4. What was the name of the first ever postage stamp?
   a) First Class  b) Queen Victoria  c) The Penny Black

5. In what year was it introduced?
   a) 1830  b) 1840  c) 1850

6. What does a philatelist do?
   a) Go bird-watching  b) Collect books  c) Collect stamps

7. How many items of mail does Royal Mail deliver every day?
   a) Over 82 million  b) Over 150 million  c) Over 1.3 billion

8. How many addresses in the UK do Royal Mail deliver to every day?
   a) 16 million  b) 27 million  c) 32 million

9. Which type of letter should arrive first:
   a) A first class letter  b) A second class letter

10. How much does it cost to send a letter First Class (as in July 2003)?
    a) 19p  b) 26p  c) 28p

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Test Your Research Skills

A First Class Quiz

Answers:

1. b)
2. a)
3. a)
4. c)
5. b)
6. c)
7. a)
8. b)
9. a)
10. c)

Source: http://www.royalmail.com
Write these inventions in order of when they were invented, with the earliest one first:

video recorder

cornflakes

refrigerator

bicycle

Sony Walkman

Coca Cola

ink

helicopter

concrete

jet engine
### Amazing Inventions 3

**Answer:**

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Write these inventions in order of when they were invented, with the earliest one first:

ballpoint pen

television

toothbrush

vacuum cleaner

credit card

zip fastener

aspirin

aeroplane

radio

Monopoly
## Test Your Research Skills

**Amazing Inventions 4**

**Answer:**

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<td>ballpoint pen</td>
<td>1938</td>
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<td>credit card</td>
<td>1950</td>
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Complete the gaps with the correct collective noun for each group of animals.

These nouns are sometimes called ‘terms of venery’:

**parliament**  **shoal**  **sloth**  **cete**  **leap**  **pride**

**colony**  **nest**  **dole**  **murder**  **dray**  **herd**

**gaggle**  **congregation**  **flock**

1. A ______________________ ______ of geese.
2. A ______________________ ______ of lions.
3. A ______________________ ______ of bats.
4. A ______________________ ______ of buffalo.
5. A ______________________ ______ of crows.
6. A ______________________ ______ of bears.
7. A ______________________ ______ of fish.
8. A ______________________ ______ of squirrels.
10. A ______________________ ______ of pigeons.
11. A ______________________ ______ of leopards.
15. A ______________________ ______ of alligators.
Test Your Research Skills

Animals 1

Answers:

1. A **gaggle** of geese.
2. A **pride** of lions.
3. A **colony** of bats.
4. A **herd** of buffalo.
5. A **murder** of crows.
6. A **sloth** of bears.
7. A **shoal** of fish.
8. A **dray** of squirrels.
10. A **flock** of pigeons.
11. A **leap** of leopards.
12. A **nest** of hornets.
13. A **dole** of doves.
15. A **congregation** of alligators.

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Test Your Research Skills

Another First Class Quiz

1. What is the name of the company that owns Royal Mail?
   a) Sainsbury’s    b) London Mail Group    c) Consignia

2. In what year of the 20th Century was the Post Office nationalised?
   a) 1951    b) 1969    c) 1989

3. Royal Mail produces special picture stamps based on different themes, for example, music, art, and history.
   a) True    b) False

4. How many people work for Royal Mail delivering letters and parcels?
   a) 47,000    b) 109,000    c) 143,000

5. How many mail vans do they have?
   a) 14,000    b) 30,000    c) 65,000

6. Writing the postcode on your envelope is not very important.
   a) True    b) False

7. Which of these sentences is true?
   a) Recorded Delivery is the best way to send valuable items
   b) With Recorded Delivery you get proof that your item has been sent and delivered

8. Which of these sentences is true?
   a) If you send a letter or parcel by Special Delivery the time and date of delivery are guaranteed, or your money is refunded
   b) With Special Delivery compensation cannot be claimed if something goes wrong

9. Which one of these items cannot be sent by Royal Mail?
   a) Keys    b) Books    c) Photographs
d) CDs    e) Aerosols

10. In what year were the first postcards sent?
    a) 1780    b) 1870    c) 1950

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Another First Class Quiz

Answers:

1. c)
2. b)
3. a)
4. c)
5. b)
6. b)
7. b)
8. a)
9. e)
10. b)

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Describe a Painting 1

The title of the painting is _____________________________________________________.

The name of the artist is ________________________________________________________.

It was painted in (year) ______________.

Style of painting: landscape (   ) portrait (   ) subject (   ) self-portrait (   ) other: ______________.

Write down the gallery’s description of the painting:

How much is this painting worth? ______________.

Do you like this painting? Yes (   ) No (   )

If yes, why? If no, why not?

What colours has the artist used?

What objects / people / transport / clothes, etc can you see in the painting?

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Describe what is going on in the painting:

How does the painting make you feel? Why?

Find out when and where the artist lived, and write down three interesting facts about them:

Describe the painting in five words:

Write five true sentences about the painting, then write five false sentences about it.

Your Name: ____________________________ Date: _______________

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Test Your Research Skills

Famous Britons 1

*Match the famous Briton with the year in which they were born:*

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*(Note: ‘c.’ means ‘about’ - we don’t know the exact date)*

**Extra time:**

*In which year did each person die?*

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Test Your Research Skills

Famous Britons 1

Match the famous Briton with the year in which they were born:

Answers:

1. John Lennon 1940 - 1980
2. Charles Dickens 1812 - 1870
3. William Caxton c.1421 - 1491
4. Geoffrey Chaucer c.1340 - 1400
5. Isambard Kingdom Brunel 1769 - 1849
6. Alfred the Great 849 - 899
7. Charlie Chaplin 1889 - 1977
9. Captain James Cook 1728 - 1779
10. Edward Elgar 1857 - 1934
11. Florence Nightingale 1820 - 1910
12. Sir Isaac Newton 1642 - 1727
Match the famous Briton with the year in which they were born:

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Famous Britons 2

Match the famous Briton with the year in which they were born:

Answers:

1. Alexander Graham Bell 1847 - 1922
2. Lord Horatio Nelson 1758 - 1805
3. George Orwell 1903 - 1950
4. William Shakespeare 1564 - 1616
5. King Henry VIII 1491 - 1547
6. Emmeline Pankhurst 1858 - 1928
7. George Stephenson 1781 - 1848
8. William Wallace c. 1272 - 1305
9. The Venerable Bede c. 673 - c. 735
10. Sir Robert Walpole 1676 - 1745
11. Daniel Defoe c. 1660 - 1731
12. John Wesley 1703 - 1791

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Famous Britons 3

Match the famous Briton with their principal occupation:

1. John Lennon  
   a) Scientist
2. William Caxton  
   b) Inventor
3. Geoffrey Chaucer  
   c) Campaigner
4. Isambard Kingdom Brunel  
   d) Anglo Saxon King
5. Alfred the Great  
   e) Composer
6. Charlie Chaplin  
   f) Explorer
7. John Logie Baird  
   g) Playwright
8. Captain James Cook  
   h) Civil Engineer
9. Edward Elgar  
   i) 20th Century Novelist
10. Florence Nightingale  
    j) Film star
11. Sir Isaac Newton  
    k) Soldier
12. George Orwell  
    l) Tudor King
13. William Shakespeare  
    m) Pastor
14. King Henry VIII  
    n) Nurse
15. Emmeline Pankhurst  
    o) Poet
16. George Stephenson  
    p) Politician
17. William Wallace  
    q) 18th Century Novelist
18. Sir Robert Walpole  
    r) Locomotive Engineer
19. Daniel Defoe  
    s) Printer
20. John Wesley  
    t) Singer and musician

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Famous Britons 3

Match the famous Briton with their principal occupation:

Answers:

1. John Lennon  t) Singer and musician
2. William Caxton  s) Printer
3. Geoffrey Chaucer  o) Poet
4. Isambard Kingdom Brunel  h) Civil Engineer
5. Alfred the Great  d) Anglo Saxon King
6. Charlie Chaplin  j) Film star
7. John Logie Baird  b) Inventor
8. Captain James Cook  f) Explorer
9. Edward Elgar  e) Composer
10. Florence Nightingale  n) Nurse
11. Sir Isaac Newton  a) Scientist
12. George Orwell  i) 20th Century Novelist
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16. George Stephenson  r) Locomotive Engineer
17. William Wallace  k) Soldier
18. Sir Robert Walpole  p) Politician
19. Daniel Defoe  q) 18th Century Novelist
20. John Wesley  m) Pastor

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Write these famous Britons in the order in which they were born, starting with the earliest in history.

Use the library or the Internet to find the answers.

You could try the online encyclopaedia at this site: http://www.encyclopedia.com:

Queen Elizabeth I
Macbeth
Daniel Defoe
William Wallace
George Stephenson
Ernest Shackleton
Alexander Fleming
John Bunyan
James Watt
Sir Francis Drake
Florence Nightingale
Samuel Pepys
Diana, Princess of Wales
Geoffrey Chaucer
Emmeline Pankhurst

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**Famous Britons - When Were They Born?**

**Answer:**

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Famous Britons - Why are they Famous Today?  Part 1

Write a sentence to show why these Great Britons are still famous today.

Use the library or the Internet to find the answers.

You could try the online encyclopaedia at this site: http://www.encyclopedia.com:

1. John Bunyan
   _______________________________________________________

2. King Richard III
   _______________________________________________________

3. Sir Winston Churchill
   _______________________________________________________

4. James Watt
   _______________________________________________________

5. Oliver Cromwell
   _______________________________________________________

6. Ernest Shackleton
   _______________________________________________________

7. Samuel Pepys
   _______________________________________________________

8. Sir Walter Raleigh
   _______________________________________________________

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Famous Britons - Why are they Famous Today?  Part 2

Write a sentence to show why these Great Britons are still famous today.

Use the library or the Internet to find the answers.

You could try the online encyclopaedia at this site: http://www.encyclopedia.com:

1. Queen Elizabeth I

__________________________________________________________________________

2. Alfred the Great

__________________________________________________________________________

3. David Livingstone

__________________________________________________________________________

4. William Caxton

__________________________________________________________________________

5. Emmeline Pankhurst

__________________________________________________________________________

6. Sir Christopher Wren

__________________________________________________________________________

7. Florence Nightingale

__________________________________________________________________________

8. Diana, Princess of Wales

__________________________________________________________________________

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Fears and Phobias 1

What are you most afraid of? Use a library or the Internet to find out the official names of these fears and phobias. Write your answers below:

1. fear of flying
2. fear of books
3. fear of hospitals
4. fear of snakes
5. fear of fire
6. fear of animals
7. fear of mice
8. fear of vegetables
9. fear of spiders
10. fear of failure
11. fear of going to the doctor’s
12. fear of kissing
13. fear of bald people
14. fear of change
15. fear of the sea

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Fears and Phobias 1

Answers:

1. fear of flying  
   Aviatophobia

2. fear of books  
   Bibliophobia

3. fear of hospitals  
   Nosocomephobia

4. fear of snakes  
   Ophidiophobia

5. fear of fire  
   Pyrophobia

6. fear of animals  
   Zoophobia

7. fear of mice  
   Murophobia

8. fear of vegetables  
   Lachanophobia

9. fear of spiders  
   Arachnophobia

10. fear of failure  
    Alchyiphobia

11. fear of going to the doctor's  
    Iatrophobia

12. fear of kissing  
    Philemophobia

13. fear of bald people  
    Peladophobia

14. fear of change  
    Tropophobia

15. fear of the sea  
    Thalassophobia
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Fears and Phobias 2

What are you most afraid of? Use a library or the Internet to find out the official names of these fears and phobias. Write your answers below:

1. fear of germs
   _____________________________
2. fear of long words
   _____________________________
3. fear of growing old
   _____________________________
4. fear of bees and insects
   _____________________________
5. fear of putting on weight
   _____________________________
6. fear of men with beards
   _____________________________
7. fear of getting wrinkles
   _____________________________
8. fear of small things
   _____________________________
9. fear of words
   _____________________________
10. fear of parents-in-law
    _____________________________
11. fear of foreigners
    _____________________________
12. fear of being buried alive
    _____________________________
13. fear of everything
    _____________________________
14. fear of feathers
    _____________________________
15. fear of fear
    _____________________________

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Find the Odd One Out 5

1. Which of the following is not a food that comes in tins?
   a) beans  b) peas  c) crisps  d) sardines

2. Which of the following is not a type of shop?
   a) chemist  b) dentist's  c) newsagent  d) bakery

3. Which of the following is not the name of a President of the USA?

4. Which of the following is not a punctuation mark?
   a)  b)  c) &  d) ’

5. Which of the following is not the name of a President of South Africa?
   a) Nelson Mandela  b) Louis Botha  c) Nicolaas Diederichs  d) P W Botha

6. Which of the following is not a popular TV soap in the UK?
   a) Eastenders  b) Emmerdale  c) Coronation Street  d) Blue Peter

7. Which of the following is not a dessert?
   a) ice cream  b) bangers and mash  c) jam roly poly  d) trifle

8. Which of the following is not the name of a room?
   a) bedroom  b) kitchen  c) hall  d) shed

9. Which of the following is not a member of the European Single Currency?
   a) Vatican City  b) UK  c) Germany  d) French Guiana

10. Which of the following is not a preposition?
    a) in  b) to  c) an  d) on

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Answers:

1. c)
2. b)
3. d)
4. c)
5. b)
6. d)
7. b)
8. d)
9. b)
10. c)
1. When did Scotland go smokefree? ___________________________________________

2. When did England go smokefree? ____________________________________________

3. In which places is it illegal to smoke?
   a) All enclosed and substantially enclosed public places and workplaces.
   b) Almost all enclosed and substantially enclosed public places and workplaces.

4. Where can I still smoke? (✓ if I can)
   pubs
   work vehicles (used by me only)
   designated guest bedrooms in hotels
   work vehicles (used by two people)
   staff smoking rooms on an oil rig
   smoking rooms in a prison
   residential mental health units
   lifts in a block of flats
   offices
   staff smoking rooms
   nightclubs
   taxis
   my private car
   my garden
   my home
   specialist tobacco shops
   shopping centres
   cafés
   factories
   offices
   staff smoking rooms
   nightclubs
   taxis
   my private car
   shopping centres

5. What is the official reason for the introduction of the new smokefree law?
   a) It is to protect employers from the risk of lawsuits brought on by staff who are exposed to second-hand smoke.
   b) It is to protect the public, including employees, from the harmful effects of second-hand smoke.

6. What is the penalty for smoking in smokefree premises or vehicles?
   _______________________________________________________________________

7. Who is responsible for making sure the new law is enforced?
   a) employers          b) local councils          c) the police          d) the Government

8. The new law applies to ‘enclosed’ and ‘substantially enclosed’ public places. ‘Substantially enclosed’ means:
   a) The place has a ceiling or roof but has an opening in the walls which is less than half the total area of the walls (not including doors and windows).
   b) The place has a ceiling or roof but has an opening in the walls which is more than half the total area of the walls (not including doors and windows).

9. What is the phone number to call if you discover somebody breaking the new smokefree law?
   _______________________________________________________________________

10. Name a country that is already smokefree, apart from countries in the UK?
    _______________________________________________________________________

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Answers:

1. Sunday March 26\textsuperscript{th} 2007.

2. Sunday July 1\textsuperscript{st} 2007.

3. b) Almost all enclosed and substantially enclosed public places and workplaces.

4. Outside, work vehicles (used by me only), designated guest bedrooms in hotels, specialist tobacco shops, my garden, staff smoking rooms on an oil rig, my home, smoking rooms in a prison, my private car, residential mental health units.

5. b) It is to protect the public, including employees, from the harmful effects of second-hand smoke.

6. A fixed penalty fine of £30 if paid in 15 days, or £50 if paid in 29 days; or up to £200 if the case goes to court.

7. b) local councils.

8. a) The place has a ceiling or roof but has an opening in the walls which is less than half the total area of the walls (not including doors and windows).

9. 0800 587 166 7.

10. Republic of Ireland \textit{or} New Zealand.

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1. Scientific studies have shown that exposure to second-hand smoke can cause:
   - l_ _ _ cancer
   - h _ _ _ _ disease
   - a _ _ _ _ _ attacks
   - sudden i _ _ _ _ _ death syndrome (SIDS)

2. What percentage of adults in England are smokers?
   a) 24%  
   b) 34%  
   c) 44%  
   d) 54%

3. If my work involves me visiting people in their homes, can I legally ask them to stop smoking when I’m there? (Yes / No)

4. What should I do if I’m working behind a bar and somebody refuses to stop smoking?

5. True or false. The smoking ban in New York has caused serious economic problems for the restaurant trade.

6. A Dundee University study has shown that the lung function of bar staff increased by up to _____% only two months after smokefree legislation had been introduced in Scotland.
   a) 6%  
   b) 10%  
   c) 14%  
   d) 22%

7. What percentage of people said they would be less likely to go to a pub if there was a no-smoking law in place?
   a) 4%  
   b) 24%  
   c) 44%  
   d) 64%

8. New York has been a smokefree city since:
   a) 2000  
   b) 2002  
   c) 2003  
   d) 2006

9. Second-hand tobacco smoke contains more than ______ different chemicals, including carbon monoxide (found in car exhaust fumes), formaldehyde (used to embalm dead bodies) and arsenic (rat poison).
   a) 400  
   b) 1,000  
   c) 2,000  
   d) 4,000

10. True or false? After the smoking ban was introduced in the Republic of Ireland, many people were angry.
Answers:

1. 
   - lung cancer
   - heart disease
   - asthma attacks
   - sudden infant death syndrome

2. a) 24%.

3. No. The new law does not apply to smoking in private homes.

4. Politely refuse to serve them and issue a warning that if they don’t stop they will be asked to leave the premises. If they still refuse to comply, follow the normal procedure for dealing with illegal behaviour. In extreme cases, contact the police.

5. False. There are now an additional 10,600 people being employed by restaurants and bars in the city, and a 2004 survey of 30,000 restaurant-goers reported that 23% of them were eating out more often since the smoking ban.

6. b) 10%.

7. a) 4%.

8. b) 2002.

9. d) 4,000.

10. False. The number of people in the Republic of Ireland in favour of the smoking ban grew from 67% before it was introduced to 82% after it came into force. After one year in place, almost 100% of people in the Republic of Ireland now support the ban.

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1. When did Wales go smokefree? ______________________________________________

2. What is the penalty for an employer that fails to prevent smoking in a smokefree place? ____________________________________________

3. What is the penalty for an employer who does not display the required no-smoking signs? ____________________________________________

4. True or false? The law does not apply to herbal cigarettes or cigars.

5. True or false? Second-hand smoke does not contain cancer-causing chemicals.

6. All smokefree premises must display a no-smoking signs which reads:
   a) NO SMOKING. Please refrain from smoking in these premises.
   b) NO SMOKING. It is against the law to smoke in these premises.

7. True or false? You should always use the official no-smoking signs for your premises.

8. Statistics show that around _____% of smokers would like to give up smoking.
   a) 30%   b) 50%    c) 70%   d) 90%

9. What is the phone number to call if you want to get help quitting smoking? ____________________________________________

10. True or false? About 85% of second-hand smoke is invisible and odourless.
Answers:


2. A fine of up to £2,500 awarded by a court.

3. A fixed penalty fine of £150 if paid in 15 days, or £200 if paid in 29 days; or up to £1,000 if it goes to court.

4. False. The law applies to anything that is smoked.

5. False. Second-hand smoke contains over 4,000 chemicals, of which more than 50 are cancer-causing.

6. b) NO SMOKING. It is against the law to smoke in these premises.

7. False. You can design and print your own no-smoking signs, as long as they adhere to the official requirements.

8. c) 70%.

9. 0800 169 0 169 (NHS Smoking Helpline).

10. True.

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Using the Internet or a research library, find the answers to these questions all about Australia:

1. Australia is the world’s smallest ________________.
   a) country       b) city       c) continent     d) place

2. Australia is the ________________ largest country in the world.
   a) first       b) third       c) sixth       d) ninth

3. The capital of Australia is called ________________.
   a) Sydney    b) Melbourne   c) Adelaide    d) Canberra

4. Australia’s national holiday is called ‘Australia Day’ and is celebrated each year on ________________.
   a) 26th January  b) 26th February  c) 26th March  d) 26th April

5. Australia gained independence from the UK in ________________.
   a) 1801      b) 1851      c) 1901      d) 1951

6. There are six states and ________________ territories in Australia.
   a) two     b) three     c) four     d) five

7. The states are called ____________________________ and the territories are called ____________________________.

8. The Australian flag is ________________ in colour and has a flag of ________________ in the upper left-hand corner.

9. In the bottom right hand corner of the flag there is a large star with ________________ points, which is called the ________________ Star.

10. Major cities in Australia include:
    a) S __ __ __ __  b) P __ __ __ __  c) A __ __ __ __ __ __ __  d) C __ __ __ __ __

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Answers:

1. c) continent

2. c) sixth

3. d) Canberra

4. a) 26\textsuperscript{th} January

5. c) 1901

6. a) two

7. The six states are: New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia. The two territories are: Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

8. The Australian flag is \textbf{blue} in colour and has a flag of \textit{the UK} in the upper left-hand corner.

9. In the bottom right hand corner of the flag there is a large star with \textbf{seven} points, which is called the \textbf{Commonwealth} Star.

10. a) Sydney  b) Perth  c) Adelaide  d) Cairns

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Spotlight on Australia 2

Using the Internet or a research library, find the answers to these questions all about Australia:

1. Australia’s currency is called the ______________________________.

2. The mountain range that runs down the east coast is called The Great ________________ Range.
   a) Mountain  b) Separating  c) Victoria  d) Dividing

3. True or false – Australia is the world’s largest producer of diamonds?
   a) true   b) false

4. The Great Barrier Reef is approximately ________________ kilometres long.
   a) 1010   b) 2010   c) 3010   d) 4010

5. The city of Sydney is on the ________________ coast of Australia.
   a) north  b) south  c) east  d) west

6. The entire Pacific region, including Australia and New Zealand is sometimes known as A __ __ t __ __ s __ __.

7. Australia is ________________ times larger than the UK.
   a) 22   b) 32   c) 42   d) 52

8. True or false – the Great Barrier Reef is the largest living thing on earth?
   a) true   b) false

9. A __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ arrived in Australia more than 70,000 years ago.

10. Over a hundred different Aboriginal languages are spoken in Australia, including: A __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ and M __ __ __ __ __ __.

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Answers:

1. Australia's currency is called the **Australian Dollar**.

2. d) Dividing

3. a) true

4. b) 2010

5. c) east

6. The entire Pacific region, including Australia and New Zealand is sometimes known as **Australasia**.

7. b) 32

8. a) true

9. **Aborigines** arrived in Australia more than 70,000 years ago.

10. Over a hundred different Aboriginal languages are spoken in Australia, including: **Aranda** and **Murgin**.

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Spotlight on Australia 3

Using the Internet or a research library, find the answers to these questions all about Australia:

1. In Australian slang, ‘laughing gear’ means m __ __ __ __ ...

2. …while if you were ‘up a gum tree’ you would be in t __ __ __ __ __...

3. …and if you were feeling ‘bushwhacked’ you would be extremely t _ _ _ _.

4. The Australian city with the largest population is ________________.
   a) Melbourne  b) Canberra  c) Sydney  d) Perth

5. Australia’s National Anthem is called ____________________________.

6. Australia gets its name from the Latin phrase T __ __ __ __  A __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ I __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __, meaning '(the) unknown southern land'.

7. Australia is predominantly ________________ society.
   a) an urban  b) a rural  c) a desert  d) a large

8. Adelaide was named after the queen of which British monarch?

9. The population of Australia is about ________________ million people.
   a) ten  b) twenty  c) thirty  d) forty

10. True or false – there are over four million different place names in Australia?
    a) true  b) false

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Answers:

1. In Australian slang, ‘laughing gear’ means **mouth** ...

2. …while if you were ‘up a gum tree’ you would be in **trouble**...

3. …and if you were feeling ‘bushwhacked’ you would be extremely **tired**.

4. c) Sydney

5. Australia’s National Anthem is called **Advance Australia Fair**.

6. Australia gets its name from the Latin phrase **Terra Australis Incognita**, meaning ‘(the) unknown southern land’.

7. a) an urban

8. King William IV

9. b) twenty

10. a) true

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Spotlight on Canada

Using the Internet or a research library, find the answers to these questions all about Canada:

1. What is the capital city of Canada?
2. True or false - Canada has the largest coastline of any country in the world?
3. How many people live in Canada?
   a) 21 million  
   b) 31 million  
   c) 41 million
4. When did Canada become a self-governing dominion?
   a) 1867  
   b) 1899  
   c) 1967
5. True or false - Canada is the second-largest country in the world?
6. On which day of the year is Canada Day celebrated?
7. Why is it celebrated?
8. How many provinces are there in Canada?
9. Name five of them.
10. How many territories are there in Canada? Name them all.
11. What are Canada’s two official languages?
12. At what age can people vote in Canada?
13. Who is Canada’s Chief of State?
14. True or false - the Canadian flag shows three vertical bands of red, white and blue, with a red maple leaf at the centre of the white band?
15. True or false - Canada has the world’s largest bay?

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Answers:

1. Ottawa.

2. True. It is 243,792 km long, including all of Canada’s islands.

3. b) 31 million.

4. a) 1867.

5. True. Russia is the largest.

6. 1 July.

7. Canadians remember when they gained independence from the UK on 1 July 1867.

8. Ten.


11. English and French.

12. At eighteen years old.

13. Queen Elizabeth II.

14. False. The vertical bands are coloured red, white and red.

15. True. Hudson Bay has a shoreline measuring 12,268 km in length.
1. What area does Derby cover (in square miles)?
   a) About 20 sq. miles.  
   b) About 30 sq. miles.  
   c) About 40 sq. miles.

2. How many people live in Derby?
   a) About 225,000 people.  
   b) About 320,000 people.  
   c) About 610,000 people.

3. What would you call someone who was born in Derby?
   a) A Derbyite.  
   b) A Derbeian.  
   c) A Derboner.

4. Derby was once a major ___________ settlement.
   a) Scottish  
   b) Roman  
   c) Celtic

5. True or false: Derby takes its name from the Danish Vikings, who called it 'Deoraby' because of the large numbers of deer in the area. It literally meant 'deer park'.
   a) True.  
   b) False.

6. Before that it was known as ___________ by the Saxons,
   a) Northworthy  
   b) Northriver  
   c) Northtower

7. and before that the Romans called it ___________.
   a) Derventius  
   b) Derbitus  
   c) Derventio

8. Derby's Silk Mill was the world's first modern factory. It was built in ____________.
   a) 1707  
   b) 1717  
   c) 1727

9. Joseph Wright lived in Derby in the 18th century. He was a famous _____________.
   a) architect  
   b) author  
   c) artist

10. Another famous name from Derby's past is the architect Joseph _____________.
    a) Pickford  
    b) Williams  
    c) Strand

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1. b) About 30 sq. miles.

2. a) About 225,000 people.

3. b) A Derbeian.

4. b) Roman

5. a) True.

6. a) Northworthy

7. c) Derventio

8. b) 1717

9. c) artist

10. a) Pickford

Test Your Research Skills

Spotlight on Derby, UK 2

1. About ________% of people living in Derby come from ethnic minority communities.
   a) 6%                         b) 12%                         c) 22%

2. True or false: Derby has the largest Deaf community in Britain?
   a) True.                     b) False.

3. True or False: England’s first public park was opened in Derby in 1840.
   a) True.                     b) False.

4. In a recent survey, how many people said that they were proud of Derby?
   a) 66%.                      b) 76%.                      c) 86%.

5. Derby is surrounded by beautiful _________.
   a) housing estates          b) shopping centres         c) countryside

6. Derby Cathedral is famous for having the oldest _________ in the world.
   a) organ                     b) organist                  c) ring of ten bells

7. What % of people living in Derby visited a museum in the city between 2001 - 02?
   a) 39%.                      b) 49%.                      c) 59%.

8. What % of people living in Derby visited a library in the city between 2001 - 02?
   a) 46%.                      b) 56%.                      c) 66%.

9. What % of household rubbish was recycled in Derby between 2001 - 02?
   a) 5.1%.                     b) 10.1%.                    c) 15.1%.

10. What % of people at working age were in employment in Derby between 2001 - 02?
    a) 74.4%.                    b) 79.4%.                    c) 84.4%

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Answers:

1. b) 12%

2. a) True.

3. a) True. The Arboretum Park was given to the people of Derby by mill owner Joseph Strutt. It is still a popular place for picnics and football tournaments to this day!

4. a) 66%.

5. c) countryside

6. c) ring of ten bells

7. b) 49%.

8. a) 46%.

9. b) 10.1%.

10. a) 74.4%.

1. What % of Year 11 school leavers from Derby either stayed in full time education or went into employment or training in 2002?
   a) 62.9%.  
   b) 72.9%.  
   c) 82.9%.

2. Which of these suburbs of Derby is north of the city centre?
   a) Normanton.  
   b) Allenton.  
   c) Oakwood.

3. Which of these suburbs of Derby is south of the city centre?
   a) Allestree.  
   b) Alvaston.  
   c) Chaddesden.

4. Which 'A' road will take you east from Derby to Nottingham?
   a) A52.  
   b) A6.  
   c) A38.

5. Which 'A' road will take you north from Derby to Bakewell?
   a) A523.  
   b) A6.  
   c) A38.

6. Which 'A' road will take you south from Derby to Burton?
   a) A6.  
   b) A50.  
   c) A38.

7. What is the name of the successful business park, built on former wasteland near Derby Railway Station?
   a) Derby Business Park.  
   b) Pride Park.  
   c) South Park.

8. There are two large hospitals in Derby. The Derbyshire Royal Infirmary is on ____________ Road,
   a) Derby  
   b) Midland  
   c) London

9. and Derby City General Hospital is on ____________ Road.
   a) Burton  
   b) Uttoxeter  
   c) Warwick

10. Derby was awarded city status in ____________ by Queen Elizabeth II.
    a) 1975  
    b) 1977  
    c) 1982

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Spotlight on Derby, UK 3

Answers:

1. c) 82.9%.

2. c) Oakwood.

3. b) Alvaston.

4. a) A52.

5. b) A6.

6. c) A38.

7. b) Pride Park.

8. c) London.

9. b) Uttoxeter

10. b) 1977

Using the Internet or a research library, find the answers to these questions all about Mexico:

1. What is the capital city of Mexico?
2. What is the official language?
3. What is Mexico’s main religion?
4. What currency is used in Mexico?
5. The population of Mexico is approximately:
   a) 55,000,000   b) 90,500,000   c) 120,000,000
6. Which country borders Mexico to the north?
7. Which two countries border Mexico to the south?
8. Which of these countries is nearer to Mexico: Nicaragua or Costa Rica?
9. Acapulco is a city on the coast of:
   a) the Pacific Ocean   b) the Gulf of Mexico
10. True or false - Mexico has the largest Christian population in the world?
11. True or false - Mexico has the third largest meteorite crater in the world?
12. What is the name of the highest mountain in Mexico?
13. Approximately how much sugar does Mexico produce per year?
   a) 5,000,000 tonnes   b) 10,000,000 tonnes   c) 15,000,000 tonnes
14. Mexico has one of the lowest divorce rates in the world. Is it lower than:
   a) USA?   b) Italy?   c) Colombia?
15. True or false - the Sierra Madre Oriental mountain range lies to the west of the country?
16. True or false - the Rio Bravo del Norte runs from the northeast to the southwest of the country?
17. The Rio Bravo del Norte is also known as...
18. True or false - Mexico has extensive mineral reserves, including petroleum, gold, silver and natural gas?
19. True or false - Cancun is a popular tourist destination on the Caribbean Coast of Mexico?
20. Which US city is nearer to Mexico - San Francisco or Washington DC?

Source: The Top Ten of Everything 2003, Russell Ash, Dorling Kindersley

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Spotlight on Mexico

Answers:

1. Mexico City
2. Spanish
3. Roman Catholicism
4. Mexican Peso
5. b) 90, 500, 000
6. USA
7. Guatemala and Belize
8. Nicaragua
9. a) the Pacific Ocean
10. False: Mexico comes third in the world, after USA and Brazil
11. True: it’s called Chicxulub and has a diameter of 107 miles
12. Citlaltepetl at a height of 5,611 metres
13. a) 5, 000, 000 tonnes
14. a) Yes  b) Yes  c) No
   Mexico’s divorce rate is 0.43 per 1,000, compared to USA’s at 4.34 and Italy’s at 0.47. Colombia has the lowest divorce rate in the world at 0.11
15. False: it lies to the east of the country
16. False: it runs from the northwest to the southeast of the country
17. The Rio Grande
18. True
19. True
20. San Francisco

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Solve the cryptic clues below to find fifteen top hits by S Club 7 and S Club:

1. Keep in motion
2. There aren't many of us
3. Not lucky once awake
4. Not me
5. Have you got orange, or green?
6. Cheerio
7. Present perfect practice
8. Can you return everything, please?
9. An astronaut stretches
10. To me you cannot be bettered
11. Far from deceased
12. A pleasant weather forecast
13. Make a building collapse
14. Like the countryside
15. You'd better hurry up

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The Classic Hits of S Club 7 and S Club

*Answers:*

1. Keep in motion  
   Don’t Stop Movin’
2. There aren’t many of us  
   Two In A Million
3. Not lucky once awake  
   Never Had A Dream Come True
4. Not me  
   You
5. Have you got orange, or green?  
   Show Me Your Colours
6. Cheerio  
   Say Goodbye
7. Present perfect practice  
   Have You Ever
8. Can you return everything, please?  
   Bring It All Back
9. An astronaut stretches  
   Reach
10. To me you cannot be bettered  
    You’re My Number One
11. Far from deceased  
    Alive
12. Pleasant weather forecast  
    Sunshine
13. Make a building collapse  
    Bring The House Down
14. Like the countryside  
    Natural
15. You’d better hurry up  
    Love Ain’t Gonna Wait For You

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Complete the song titles below to find fifteen classic songs by Paul Simon:

1. The Sound of ________________
2. Mrs. ________________
3. G ______ __________
4. __________________ The One
5. Slip ________________ Away
6. Born ____________________________
7. ________________ Tune
8. You Can __________________________
9. Hearts And ________________
10. Darling ________________
11. The B __ __ __
12. ________________ ’s Song
13. Still ____________________________
14. ________________ On The ________________ Of Her Shoes
15. Something So ________________

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The Classic Songs of Paul Simon

Answers:

1. The Sound of Silence
2. Mrs. Robinson
3. Graceland
4. You’re The One
5. Slip Slidin’ Away
6. Born At The Right Time
7. American Tune
8. You Can Call Me Al
9. Hearts And Bones
10. Darling Lorraine
11. The Boxer
12. Kathy’s Song
13. Still Crazy After All These Years
14. Diamonds On The Soles Of Her Shoes
15. Something So Right

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Solve the cryptic clues below to find fifteen top tracks by Busted:

1. Emergency exits are located…

2. It’s certainly not for the lessons

3. Unlucky and not very old

4. Approximately 996 years from now

5. You could have been more positive

6. Which person are you talking about?

7. Not a song about Christina

8. Also a film directed by Tom Hanks

9. Either early or late – depends on how you look at it

10. M N O P Q R S T V W X Y Z

11. There isn’t room for two of us!

12. Afraid of the dark?

13. Not particularly cool, with older friends

14. Evening time

15. Uninvited and unexpected

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The Peerless Tunes of Busted

Answers:

1. Emergency exits are located… Air Hostess
2. It’s certainly not for the lessons What I Go To School For
3. Unlucky and not very old Loser Kid
4. Approximately 996 years from now Year 3000
5. You could have been more positive You Said No
6. Which person are you talking about? Who’s David
7. Not a song about Christina Britney
8. Also a film directed by Tom Hanks That Thing You Do
9. Either early or late – depends on how you look at it 3am
10. M N O P Q R S T V W X Y Z Without You
11. There isn’t room for two of us! She Wants To Be Me
12. Afraid of the dark? Sleeping With The Light On
13. Not particularly cool, with older friends Nerdy
14. Evening time When Day Turns Into Night
15. Uninvited and unexpected Crashed The Wedding

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Test Your Lateral Thinking!
Word Puzzles 1

Can you work out the clues to reveal some well known words and phrases?

1. TJUUSMTE
2. ECNALG
3. RAEG
4. 12.00 GOOD
5. DEATH LIFE
6. GSGE
7. /R/E/A/D/I/N/G/
8. YUETIDE
9. UJUSTME
10. VIVISISIONON

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Word Puzzles 1

Answers:

1. TJIUSMTE Just in time
2. ECNALG Backward glance
3. RAEG Reverse gear
4. 12.00 GOOD Good afternoon
5. DEATH LIFE Life after death
6. GSGE Scrambled eggs
7. /R/E/A/D/I/N/G/ Reading between the lines
8. YUETIDE Noel (no L)
9. UJUSTME Just between you and me
10. VIVISIONON Double vision

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Word Puzzles 2

Can you work out the clues to reveal some well known words and phrases?

1. GENFLEIS ______________________________
2. THOEUCOTLD ______________________________
3. PCIGAEOTNS ______________________________
4. EVG ______________________________
5. SIDESIDE ______________________________
6. HOME ______________________________
7. LLOR ______________________________
8. change ______________________________
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Test Your Lateral Thinking!
Word Puzzles 2

Answers:

1. GENFLEIS  Mixed feelings
2. THOEUCOTLD  Out in the cold
3. PCIGAEOTNS  Cat among the pigeons
4. EVG  Mixed veg (vegetables)
5. SIDESIDE  Side by side
6. HOME  Home alone
7. LLOR  Backward roll
8. change  Small change
9. SITTING FENCE  Sitting on the fence
10. POT 00000000  Potatoes (pot eight ‘oh’s)

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Use the picture above to give you an idea for a story. The story must also include the following things:

A **person** called Alison Brown

A **place** called Trafalgar Road

A **dog** with an amazing talent

An underwater **hiding place**

**Story Title:** ________________________________

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Test Your Creative Writing Skills

Write a Story 1

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Use the picture above to give you an idea for a story. The story must also include the following things:

**Something stolen** from a man called Peter Edwards

A **traffic warden** who wants to give up her job

A small collection of poisonous **potted plants**

The South Pacific island of **Tonga**

**Story Title:** ______________________________________________

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Test Your Creative Writing Skills

Write a Story 2

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Use the picture above to give you an idea for a story. The story must also include the following things:

A broken down pizza delivery vehicle

A bus stop in the middle of nowhere

A mysterious stranger

A man who claims to have had nothing to eat for five days

Story Title: ____________________________

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Use the picture above to give you an idea for a story. The story must also include the following things:

A difficult journey

A passionate vegetarian called Emma

A piece of string that seems unimportant at first, but then becomes vital

Someone who knows too much about musical theatre

Story Title: _______________________________
Write a Story 4

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Test Your Research Skills
You Either Know It Or You Don’t! 1

Use a research library or the internet to find the answers to this quick quiz:

1. The capital city of Luxembourg is __________________.

2. The six English counties that start with the letter ‘S’ are:
   __________________ __________________

3. Tea bags were invented in 1908 by __________________.

4. A male horse is known as a __________________.

5. The United Nations was founded in __________________.

6. The acronym UNICEF stands for __________________ __________________

7. The Greek god __________________ represented the sun.

8. The patron saint of lovers is __________________.


10. Mikhail Gorbachev won the Nobel Peace Prize in ________________.

11. Sorbitol is used in many foods as a __________________.

12. The capital of the Australian state of Queensland is _______________.

13. The first Australian Prime Minister was __________________.


15. ‘Lento’ is a musical term meaning to play __________________.

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Test Your Research Skills
You Either Know It Or You Don’t! 1

Answers:

1. The capital city of Luxembourg is **Luxembourg**.

2. The six English counties that start with the letter ‘S’ are: **Shropshire, Somerset, South Yorkshire, Staffordshire, Suffolk and Surrey**.

3. Tea bags were invented in 1908 by **Thomas Sullivan**.

4. A male horse is known as a **stallion**.

5. The United Nations was founded in **1945**.

6. The acronym UNICEF stands for **UN International Children’s Emergency Fund**.

7. The Greek god **Apollo** represented the sun.

8. The patron saint of lovers is **St. Valentine**.


10. Mikhail Gorbachev won the Nobel Peace Prize in **1990**.

11. Sorbitol is used in many foods as a **sweetener**.

12. The capital of the Australian state of Queensland is **Brisbane**.

13. The first Australian Prime Minister was **Edmund Barton**.

14. The Battle of **Bosworth Field** took place in 1485.

15. ‘Lento’ is a musical term meaning to play **slowly**.

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Test Your Research Skills
You Either Know It Or You Don’t! 2

Use a research library or the internet to find the answers to this quick quiz:

1. The Battle of Bunker Hill took place near Boston, US, in ________.
2. John Schlesinger won the 1969 Best Director Academy Award for the movie ________________.
3. Couples celebrate their pearl wedding anniversary after _________ years of marriage.
4. The largest country in the world by population is ________________.
5. The Wars of the Roses were between the Houses of York and ________________.
6. The collective noun for a group of apes is a ____________________.
7. The study of birds’ eggs is called ____________________.
8. The highest waterfall in the world is the ________________ Falls in Venezuela.
9. The Roman god Neptune represented ____________________.
10. The largest country in the world by area is ________________.
11. The Wimbledon Tennis Championship was first held in ____________.
12. The busiest port in the world is ________________.
13. The busiest international airport in the world is ________________.
14. The longest river in the world is ________________.
15. The Roman god ____________________ represented wisdom.

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Answers:


2. John Schlesinger won the 1969 Best Director Academy Award for the movie ‘Midnight Cowboy’.

3. Couples celebrate their pearl wedding anniversary after 30 years of marriage.

4. The largest country in the world by population is China.

5. The Wars of the Roses were between the Houses of York and Lancaster.

6. The collective noun for a group of apes is a shrewdness.

7. The study of birds’ eggs is called oology.

8. The highest waterfall in the world is the Angel Falls in Venezuela.

9. The Roman god Neptune represented the sea.

10. The largest country in the world by area is the Russian Federation.

11. The Wimbledon Tennis Championship was first held in 1877.

12. The busiest port in the world is Rotterdam.

13. The busiest international airport in the world is London Heathrow.

14. The longest river in the world is the Nile.

15. The Roman god Minerva represented wisdom.

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Use a research library or the internet to find the answers to this quick quiz:

1. The capital city of Romania is ________________.

2. The Victorian Prime Minister Viscount Palmerston belonged to the ________________ Party.

3. The Greek god Hebe represented ________________.

4. The chemical symbol for Hydrogen is ________________.

5. The aeroplane was invented by Orville and Wilbur ________________.

6. The largest ocean in the world is the ________________.

7. Milos Forman won the 1984 Best Director Academy Award for the movie ________________.

8. The study of the earth is called ________________.

9. ‘Piano’ is a musical term meaning to play ________________.

10. The Tour de France cycling championship was founded in ________________.

11. The American Football Super Bowl was first held in 1967; the Green Bay Packers defeated the ________________.

12. The American English spelling of the word ‘whisky’ is ________________.

13. The study of bacteria is called ________________.

14. The patron saint of doctors is St. ________________.

15. The 5 Nations Rugby Championship became the 6 Nations in 2000 when Italy joined ________________.

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Answers:

1. The capital city of Romania is **Bucharest**.

2. The Victorian Prime Minister Viscount Palmerston belonged to the **Liberal** Party.

3. The Greek god Hebe represented **youth**.

4. The chemical symbol for Hydrogen is ‘**H**’.

5. The aeroplane was invented by Orville and Wilbur **Wright**.

6. The largest ocean in the world is the **Pacific**.

7. Milos Forman won the 1984 Best Director Academy Award for the movie ‘**Amadeus**’.

8. The study of the earth is called **geology**.

9. ‘Piano’ is a musical term meaning to play **softly**.

10. The Tour de France cycling championship was founded in **1903**.

11. The American Football Super Bowl was first held in 1967; the Green Bay Packers defeated the **Kansas City Chiefs**.

12. The American English spelling of the word ‘whisky’ is ‘**whiskey**’.

13. The study of bacteria is called **bacteriology**.

14. The patron saint of doctors is St. **Luke**.

15. The 5 Nations Rugby Championship became the 6 Nations in 2000 when Italy joined **England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland and France**.

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Use a research library or the internet to find the answers to this quick quiz:

1. In the 2002 FIFA World Cup Final Brazil defeated _____________ 2-0.
2. The capital of the Australian state of Victoria is _________________.
3. The chemical symbol for silver is ________________.
4. Couples celebrate their emerald wedding anniversary after ________ years of marriage.
5. The collective noun for a group of pigs is a ________________.
6. A male fox is known as a ________________.
7. The acronym KBE after your name stands for ________________________________.
8. A numismatist collects ________________.
9. An arctophile collects ________________.
11. The typewriter was invented in 1808 by ________________.
12. A bibliophile is passionate about ________________.
13. Henry VIII beheaded two of his six wives – Anne Boleyn and ________________.
14. An ailurophile loves ________________.
15. Charles Dickens’ first novel was ________________________________.

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Answers:

1. In the 2002 FIFA World Cup Final Brazil defeated Germany 2-0.

2. The capital of the Australian state of Victoria is Melbourne.

3. The chemical symbol for silver is ‘Ag’.

4. Couples celebrate their emerald wedding anniversary after 55 years of marriage.

5. The collective noun for a group of pigs is a litter.

6. A male fox is known as a dog.

7. The acronym KBE after your name stands for Knight Commander, British Empire.

8. A numismatist collects coins.


11. The typewriter was invented in 1808 by Pellegrino Turri.

12. A bibliophile is passionate about books.

13. Henry VIII beheaded two of his six wives – Anne Boleyn and Catherine Howard.


15. Charles Dickens’ first novel was ‘The Pickwick Papers’.

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Test Your Research Skills
You Either Know It Or You Don’t! 5

Use a research library or the internet to find the answers to this quick quiz:

1. A female pig is known as a ________________.

2. Plutocracy is government by ________________.

3. The acronym RADA stands for ____________________________.

4. In the traditional English Christmas Carol ‘The Twelve Days of Christmas’ there were _______ ladies dancing and _______ geese a-laying.

5. The seven wonders of the ancient world included: the Statue of __________________ at Olympia and the __________________ of Egypt.

6. Oligarchy is government by ____________________.

7. Manchester United won the English Premiership _______ times in the 1990s.

8. On a QWERTY keyboard the letter ‘M’ is on the ________________ row.

9. The 20th century American President Herbert C. Hoover belonged to the ________________ Party.

10. The FIFA World Cup is held every ________________ years.

11. A female goat is known as a ________________.

12. The play ‘The Two Noble Kinsmen’ by William Shakespeare and John Fletcher is based on ________________________ by Geoffrey Chaucer.

13. Tartrazine is used in many foods as a ________________.

14. Democracy is government by ____________________.

15. Andrew Motion has been Britain’s ________________ since 1999.

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You Either Know It Or You Don’t! 5

Answers:

1. A female pig is known as a sow.

2. Plutocracy is government by the wealthy.

3. The acronym RADA stands for ‘Royal Academy of Dramatic Art’.

4. In the traditional English Christmas Carol ‘The Twelve Days of Christmas’ there were nine ladies dancing and six geese a-laying.

5. The seven wonders of the ancient world included: the Statue of Zeus at Olympia and the Pyramids of Egypt.

6. Oligarchy is government by a small exclusive class of people.

7. Manchester United won the English Premiership five times in the 1990s.

8. On a QWERTY keyboard the letter ‘M’ is on the bottom row.


10. The FIFA World Cup is held every four years.

11. A female goat is known as a nanny.

12. The play ‘The Two Noble Kinsmen’ by William Shakespeare and John Fletcher is based on ‘The Knight’s Tale’ by Geoffrey Chaucer.

13. Tartrazine is used in many foods as a colorant.

14. Democracy is government by the people.

15. Andrew Motion has been Britain’s Poet Laureate since 1999.

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You Either Know It Or You Don’t! 6

Use a research library or the internet to find the answers to this quick quiz:

1. Kazuo Ishiguro won the Booker Prize in the UK for his novel ______________________ in 1989.
2. Samuel Ryder founded the Ryder Cup golf tournament in 19_____.
3. Couples celebrate their ruby wedding anniversary after _______ years of marriage.
4. The acronym TESSA stands for ____________________________.
5. The acronym KG after your name stands for ____________________.
6. The squire Sancho Panza is a principal character in the novel ______________________ by ______________________.
7. Henry VIII divorced two of his six wives – Catherine of Aragon and ____________________________.
8. The acronym EPOS stands for ____________________________.
9. The seven wonders of the ancient world included: the ______________________ of Babylon and the ______________________ of Rhodes.
10. The Three Musketeers in Alexandre Dumas’ novel are: ______________________
11. Kay, Gareth, Bors, Geraint and Tristan were all ______________________.
12. In the traditional English Christmas Carol ‘The Twelve Days of Christmas’ there were _________________ drummers drumming.
13. The American English spelling of the word ‘plough’ is _____________.
15. The real name of Victorian English novelist George Eliot, author of ‘The Mill on the Floss’ and ‘Adam Bede’ was ______________________.

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**Answers:**


2. Samuel Ryder founded the Ryder Cup golf tournament in 1927.

3. Couples celebrate their ruby wedding anniversary after 40 years of marriage.

4. The acronym TESSA stands for ‘tax exempt special savings account’.

5. The acronym KG after your name stands for ‘Knight of the Garter’.

6. The squire Sancho Panza is a principal character in the novel *Don Quixote* by Miguel Cervantes.

7. Henry VIII divorced two of his six wives – Catherine of Aragon and Anne of Cleves.

8. The acronym EPOS stands for ‘electronic point of sale’.

9. The seven wonders of the ancient world included: the Hanging Gardens of Babylon and the Colossus of Rhodes.

10. The Three Musketeers in Alexandre Dumas’ novel are: Aramis, Athos and Porthos.

11. Kay, Gareth, Bors, Geraint and Tristan were all Knights of the Round Table.

12. In the traditional English Christmas Carol ‘The Twelve Days of Christmas’ there were twelve drummers drumming.

13. The American English spelling of the word ‘plough’ is ‘plow’.


15. The real name of Victorian English novelist George Eliot, author of ‘The Mill on the Floss’ and ‘Adam Bede’ was Mary Ann Evans.

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