

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

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11 In which ocean is the Mariana Trench, the deepest place on Earth?	
12 In which country is the ancient city of Petra?	
13 Which country has the most people in Africa?	
14 What is the capital city of Egypt?	
15 Which river flows through Paris?	
16 Which European country is famous for windmills and tulips?	
17 Which volcano buried the Roman town of Pompeii?	
18 Which is the largest country in South America?	
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11 Who discovered penicillin in 1928?	
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13 Who was India's first woman Prime Minister?	
14 Who led the first team to reach the South Pole, in 1911?	
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16 Who became South Africa's first Black president in 1994?	
17 Which explorer led the first voyage around the world, but died on the way?	
18 Who was Australia's first Prime Minister?	
19 Who built the first printing press with movable metal type in Europe?	
20 From which country did the USA buy Alaska in 1867?	

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MATH & BRAIN TEASERS

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6 Which NASA spacecraft flew closer to the Sun than ever before, in 2024?	
7 In 2024, the world's largest coral was found near which Pacific country?	
8 In 2024, which country's "Moon Sniper" made it the fifth to land softly on the Moon?	
9 Which planet has the most known moons?	
10 Which NASA spacecraft is on its way to Jupiter's icy moon Europa?	
11 Which NASA helicopter ended its mission on Mars in 2024 after 72 flights?	
12 Which country won the 2026 FIFA World Cup final?	
13 How many countries hosted the 2026 FIFA World Cup?	
14 Which bat-and-ball sport returns to the Olympics at LA 2028, for the first time since 1900?	
15 Which country hosted the 2026 Winter Olympics?	
16 Which no-tackle kind of American football joins the Olympics at LA 2028?	
17 What kind of animal were Tina and Milo, the 2026 Winter Olympic mascots?	
18 In 2024, Gukesh, aged 18, became the youngest world chess champion. Which country is he from?	
19 Which Australian city will host the 2032 Summer Olympics?	
20 Paris hosted its third Summer Olympics in 2024. Which city did that first?	

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2 What do we call a material that does not let heat pass through easily?	
3 What are the tiny holes in a leaf, mostly on its underside, that let gases in and out?	
4 Which simple machine is really just a ramp?	
5 You stir hot soup with a metal spoon and a wooden spoon. Which handle gets hot first?	
6 On the Moon in 1971, an astronaut dropped a hammer and a feather together. Which landed first?	
7 What do the four angles inside any four-sided shape (quadrilateral) add up to?	
8 What do we call a triangle whose three sides are all different lengths?	
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10 What is the mode of these numbers: 2, 2, 5, 7, 9?	
11 Mia reads 15 pages a day. How many days will a 120-page book take her?	
12 If today is Monday, what day of the week will it be in 10 days?	
13 Which word is the verb in this sentence: “The cat quickly climbed the tall tree”?	
14 What is the name of the imaginary line in the Pacific Ocean where the calendar date changes?	
15 When it is summer in Australia, which season is it in the UK and the USA?	
16 When you fly from London to New York, do you set your watch forward or back?	
17 The numbers 0 to 9 we use today began in India and were spread by Arab scholars. What are they called?	
18 Which scholar working in Baghdad wrote the book on “al-jabr” that gave algebra its name?	
19 Who became the world’s first woman prime minister, in Ceylon (now Sri Lanka) in 1960?	
20 Which ancient people of Mesopotamia invented the wedge-shaped writing called cuneiform?	

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1 How many minutes are there in one day?	**1,440**
2 How many players from each team are on the court at once in basketball?	**Five**
3 What is the currency of India?	**The rupee**
4 Which country invented paper as we know it, about 2,000 years ago?	**China**
5 What language do most people in Mexico speak?	**Spanish**
6 How many strings does a standard guitar have?	**Six**
7 What do the letters “www” stand for in a website address?	**World Wide Web**
8 In which sport does the score go love, 15, 30, 40?	**Tennis**
9 How many small squares are there on a chessboard?	**64**
10 How many years are there in a millennium?	**1,000**
11 Which European country is shaped like a boot?	**Italy**
12 Who wrote the book The Jungle Book?	**Rudyard Kipling**
13 How many hours are there in one week?	**168**
14 Which white marble tomb in Agra, India, did Emperor Shah Jahan build for his wife?	**The Taj Mahal**
15 How many zeros are there in one million?	**Six**
16 What is the name of the tool used to measure temperature?	**A thermometer**
17 Which is the only letter that does not appear in the name of any US state?	**Q**
18 Which famous colourful puzzle cube was invented by Ernő Rubik in 1974?	**The Rubik’s Cube**
19 What do we call a word that reads the same backwards, like “level”?	**A palindrome**
20 What is the name of the long wall built across northern China?	**The Great Wall of China**

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SCIENCE & TECH

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1 What is the chemical symbol for sodium?	**Na**
2 What is H_2O better known as?	**Water**
3 Which planet spins on its side as it travels around the Sun?	**Uranus**
4 Which blood vessels carry blood away from the heart?	**Arteries**
5 How many teeth does an adult usually have, including wisdom teeth?	**32**
6 What is the green substance in leaves that captures sunlight?	**Chlorophyll**
7 Roughly how fast does light travel through space?	**300,000 km a second**
8 What does USB stand for?	**Universal Serial Bus**
9 What does CPU stand for in a computer?	**Central Processing Unit**
10 Which organs clean your blood and make urine?	**The kidneys**
11 Which planet takes only about 88 days to travel around the Sun?	**Mercury**
12 What is the centre of an atom called?	**The nucleus**
13 Which planet shines brightest in our night sky?	**Venus**
14 How many chambers does the human heart have?	**Four**
15 What do we call animals that are active at night?	**Nocturnal**
16 Which metal is liquid at room temperature and was used in old thermometers?	**Mercury**
17 What is the name of the layer of gases around the Earth?	**The atmosphere**
18 Which vitamin does your skin make when sunlight shines on it?	**Vitamin D**
19 What was the name of the first artificial satellite, launched in 1957?	**Sputnik 1**
20 What is the nearest star to Earth?	**The Sun**

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4 What is the capital city of New Zealand?	**Wellington**
5 Which mountain range is usually said to divide Europe from Asia?	**The Ural Mountains**
6 Which desert in Chile is one of the driest places on Earth?	**The Atacama Desert**
7 How many states does Australia have?	**Six**
8 What is the largest lake in Africa by area?	**Lake Victoria**
9 Which is the largest US state by area?	**Alaska**
10 What is the tallest waterfall on land?	**Angel Falls**
11 In which ocean is the Mariana Trench, the deepest place on Earth?	**The Pacific Ocean**
12 In which country is the ancient city of Petra?	**Jordan**
13 Which country has the most people in Africa?	**Nigeria**
14 What is the capital city of Egypt?	**Cairo**
15 Which river flows through Paris?	**The Seine**
16 Which European country is famous for windmills and tulips?	**The Netherlands (Holland)**
17 Which volcano buried the Roman town of Pompeii?	**Mount Vesuvius**
18 Which is the largest country in South America?	**Brazil**
19 Nairobi is the capital city of which country?	**Kenya**
20 How many states are there in the USA?	**50**

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3 Which ancient people built Machu Picchu in Peru?	**The Incas**
4 Who was the first person to travel into space?	**Yuri Gagarin**
5 Which famous wall in Germany fell in 1989?	**The Berlin Wall**
6 Which brothers made the first controlled powered plane flight in 1903?	**The Wright brothers**
7 Who was the British Prime Minister for most of World War II?	**Winston Churchill**
8 Which ship carried the Pilgrims from England to America in 1620?	**The Mayflower**
9 Which is the only one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World still standing?	**The Great Pyramid of Giza**
10 Who was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize?	**Marie Curie**
11 Who discovered penicillin in 1928?	**Alexander Fleming**
12 Who was the first emperor of a united China?	**Qin Shi Huang**
13 Who was India's first woman Prime Minister?	**Indira Gandhi**
14 Who led the first team to reach the South Pole, in 1911?	**Roald Amundsen**
15 Whose 1955 bus protest in Montgomery, Alabama, started the famous bus boycott?	**Rosa Parks**
16 Who became South Africa's first Black president in 1994?	**Nelson Mandela**
17 Which explorer led the first voyage around the world, but died on the way?	**Ferdinand Magellan**
18 Who was Australia's first Prime Minister?	**Edmund Barton**
19 Who built the first printing press with movable metal type in Europe?	**Johannes Gutenberg**
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5 What comes next: 2, 4, 8, 16, ...?	**32**
6 What do we call a shape with ten sides?	**A decagon**
7 What is 0.75 as a fraction in its simplest form?	**3/4**
8 Which number does the Roman numeral C stand for?	**100**
9 What is the perimeter of a square with 5 cm sides?	**20 cm**
10 How many seconds are there in one hour?	**3,600**
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12 A bus leaves at 9:45 and the trip takes 50 minutes. When does it arrive?	**10:35**
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16 What gets bigger the more you take away from it?	**A hole**
17 I'm tall when I'm young, short when I'm old, and I glow while I live. What am I?	**A candle**
18 What has a head and a tail but no body?	**A coin**
19 How many months of the year have 28 days?	**All twelve**
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6 Which NASA spacecraft flew closer to the Sun than ever before, in 2024?	**Parker Solar Probe**
7 In 2024, the world's largest coral was found near which Pacific country?	**The Solomon Islands**
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9 Which planet has the most known moons?	**Saturn**
10 Which NASA spacecraft is on its way to Jupiter's icy moon Europa?	**Europa Clipper**
11 Which NASA helicopter ended its mission on Mars in 2024 after 72 flights?	**Ingenuity**
12 Which country won the 2026 FIFA World Cup final?	**Spain**
13 How many countries hosted the 2026 FIFA World Cup?	**Three**
14 Which bat-and-ball sport returns to the Olympics at LA 2028, for the first time since 1900?	**Cricket**
15 Which country hosted the 2026 Winter Olympics?	**Italy**
16 Which no-tackle kind of American football joins the Olympics at LA 2028?	**Flag football**
17 What kind of animal were Tina and Milo, the 2026 Winter Olympic mascots?	**Stoats**
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8 What do we call a triangle whose three sides are all different lengths?	**A scalene triangle**
9 What is 2 to the power of 10?	**1,024**
10 What is the mode of these numbers: 2, 2, 5, 7, 9?	**2**
11 Mia reads 15 pages a day. How many days will a 120-page book take her?	**8 days**
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13 Which word is the verb in this sentence: “The cat quickly climbed the tall tree”?	**Climbed**
14 What is the name of the imaginary line in the Pacific Ocean where the calendar date changes?	**The International Date Line**
15 When it is summer in Australia, which season is it in the UK and the USA?	**Winter**
16 When you fly from London to New York, do you set your watch forward or back?	**Back**
17 The numbers 0 to 9 we use today began in India and were spread by Arab scholars. What are they called?	**Hindu-Arabic numerals**
18 Which scholar working in Baghdad wrote the book on “al-jabr” that gave algebra its name?	**Al-Khwarizmi**
19 Who became the world’s first woman prime minister, in Ceylon (now Sri Lanka) in 1960?	**Sirimavo Bandaranaike**
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