

Children's quiz questions

General knowledge quiz questions for children from the Ultimate Summer Holiday Quiz

Art and literature

Saturday's Quiz

- 1 Who had an encounter with the three bears?
- 2 What is the name of Winnie the Pooh's donkey friend?
- 3 Who was created by Gepetto the woodcarver?
- 4 Who is the bear in The Jungle Book?
- 5 What kind of creature was defeated by the Three Billy Goats Gruff?
- 6 Who painted the Mona Lisa?
- 7 Who leads a gang of outlaws in Sherwood Forest?
- 8 Who stole Christmas in a Dr Seuss book?
- 9 Who were all the King's horses and men unable to put together again?
- 10 Who is the druid in the Asterix books?
- 11 Sculptures of which animals lie at the base of Nelson's column?
- 12 What is the name of the Lion in The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe?
- 13 What is the name of the wizard at the court of King Arthur?
- 14 Who has written the prize-winning book The Day I Swapped My Dad for Two Goldfish?
- 15 What is the name of the recreated theatre from Shakespeare's time in London?

Sunday's Quiz

- 1 Who picked a peck of pickled pepper?
- 2 In Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, what is Charlie's surname?
- 3 Which artist painted a number of pictures of sunflowers?
- 4 What is the name of Peter Pan's piratical enemy?
- 5 What kind of animal is Beatrix Potter's Mrs Tiggy-Winkle?
- 6 In a nursery rhyme, how much are the bells of St Martin's owed?
- 7 What was the name of Harry Potter's pet owl?
- 8 Who is the son of Widow Twankey and brother of Wishee Washee?
- 9 Who created Tracy Beaker?
- 10 What is the artistic technique of gluing a number of items together to form a new work called?
- 11 Which character in Alice's Adventures in Wonderland muttered "Oh dear! Oh dear! I shall be late"?
- 12 Who has a dog called Snowy and is friends with Captain Haddock?
- 13 In which fairy tale does Gerda rescue her friend Kai from the title character?
- 14 Helped by his slave Morgiana, who foiled the 40 thieves?
- 15 What is the name of Eoin Colfer's teenage criminal mastermind?

History and politics

Saturday's Quiz

- 1 Who was prime minister of the UK for most of the Second World War?
- 2 Which structures were built in medieval times as a mixture of residence and defensive building?
- 3 Who was caught red-handed trying to blow up parliament in 1605?
- 4 What did Romans use a hypocaust for?
- 5 What is the London home of the prime minister?
- 6 Which liner sank on her maiden voyage in 1912?
- 7 Who is the Deputy Prime Minister?
- 8 What did Spain send to attack Britain in 1588?
- 9 In which country in ancient times was mummification carried out on important people when they died?
- 10 Which city did the ancient Greeks by legend besiege for 10 years?
- 11 How many wives did Henry VIII have?
- 12 Which people travelled in longships and raided Britain from Scandinavia in early medieval times?
- 13 Which king received an arrow in his eye at the Battle of Hastings?
- 14 An act of 1864 outlawed children doing what job, for which they were often employed as they were smaller than adults and it was thought they could do a better job as a result?
- 15 What notable event affected London in September 1666?

Sunday's Quiz

- 1 Which ship sank off Portsmouth in 1545 but was retrieved from the seabed in 1982?
- 2 What title was given to the rulers of Ancient Egypt?
- 3 Spitfires and Hurricanes helped win which battle in 1940?
- 4 What overall term is given to the people who fought each other and animals as entertainment in Ancient Rome?
- 5 Which member of the Royal Family holds the title Duke of York?
- 6 What colour are the benches in the House of Commons?
- 7 What material was used to make a famous bridge in Shropshire in 1779, a town now being named after it?
- 8 What was signed by King John at Runnymede in 1215?
- 9 Which businessman founded Virgin Records and Virgin Airlines?
- 10 Who took elephants across the Alps?
- 11 Air Force One is a plane used by the holder of what position?
- 12 What famous structure was built on Salisbury Plain in the third millennium BC?
- 13 Who was the "Lady with the Lamp" during the Crimean War?
- 14 With which queen is the phrase "We are not amused" connected?
- 15 What will be celebrated for only the second time in British royal history by the current Queen in 2012?

Entertainment

Saturday's Quiz

- 1 Sheriff Woody, Mr. Potato Head and Buzz Lightyear are major characters in which series of films?
- 2 Who were the winners of this year's Britain's Got Talent?
- 3 What sort of animal is Basil Brush?

- 4 What is the name of Donald Duck's girlfriend?
- 5 In which town do the Flintstones live?
- 6 What came over the hill and blew "whoop whoop"?
- 7 Which television programme shares its name with a naval flag?
- 8 How are Oritsé, JB, Marvin and Aston known collectively?
- 9 Which organisation is based on Tracy Island?
- 10 What is the name of the nanny played by Emma Thompson in two films?
- 11 Which resident of Jellystone Park is "smarter than the average bear"?
- 12 Leona Lewis and Alexandra Burke are former winners of which competition?
- 13 What is the name of Shrek's wife?
- 14 Which television series is set in the town of Pontypandy?
- 15 What is the name of the hero in The Lion King?

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- 1 Wolverine is the leader of which band of superheroes?
- 2 Who fell in love with a robot called EVE?
- 3 What is the name of the vehicle in which Scooby Doo and his friends travel?
- 4 What is the name of the dog in Shaun the Sheep?
- 5 Which breed of dogs were menaced by Cruella de Vil?
- 6 Which stringed instrument is bigger than a violin but smaller than a cello?
- 7 What is the name of the character played by Karen Gillan in Doctor Who?
- 8 What was the name of the Kung Fu Panda in the film of that name?
- 9 Which television presenter hosts Blast Lab and Total Wipeout?
- 10 Which film and musical are about a miner's son who wishes to become a ballet dancer?
- 11 Which film had a 2009 follow-up described as "The Squeakquel"?
- 12 What is the name of the train in In the Night Garden?
- 13 What does the French song Frère Jacques mean in English?
- 14 What is the name of the current Blue Peter tortoise?
- 15 Which resident of Jellystone Park is "smarter than the average bear"?

Science and nature

Saturday's Quiz

- 1 From what tree do acorns come?
- 2 What is the largest planet in the solar system?
- 3 What colour are dandelions?
- 4 How many ounces are there in a pound?
- 5 What term in mathematics refers to the number obtained when two or more numbers are multiplied?
- 6 How many sides does a hexagon have?
- 7 What has the scientific formula H₂O?
- 8 Which is the only vowel not on the top row of a computer keyboard?
- 9 The African and Asian are the two main forms of which mammal, with their ear size being an easy way to tell which is which?
- 10 What is the innermost colour of a rainbow?
- 11 Which planet is known as "The Red Planet"?
- 12 Feline means relating to what sort of animal?
- 13 Comice, Conference and Williams are varieties of which fruit?
- 14 What are the young of frogs and toads called?
- 15 In computing, what is Mb short for?

Sunday's Quiz

- 1 The cob and pen are the male and female of which aquatic bird?
- 2 What is the more familiar name for the disease rubella?
- 3 What colour are emeralds?
- 4 In photography, what sort of lens enables a speedy transition from long shots to close-ups?
- 5 Which animals live in lodges and are notable for gnawing trees?
- 6 Which star can be used to work out where due North is?
- 7 What name is given to the collection of 22 bones found in the head?
- 8 Which tree has a variety called "Weeping"?
- 9 Which jet-black bird has lived in the Tower of London for centuries?
- 10 Which stone, a form of calcium carbonate, are the White Cliffs of Dover made of?
- 11 Cocker, Springer and King Charles are varieties of which breed of dog?
- 12 Which leaves can be used to soothe the pain from stinging nettles?
- 13 What turns red in the presence of acid and blue in the presence of alkali?
- 14 The name for which group of prehistoric animals comes from the Greek for "terrible lizard"?
- 15 What is the term for when the moon passes between the earth and the sun, blocking out light from the latter?

Sport and leisure

Saturday's Quiz

- 1 What is the name of the football stadium where England play home matches and the FA and Carling Cup Finals are also played?
- 2 Crawl, backstroke and butterfly are different methods in which sport?
- 3 Which game is played in autumn using the fruit of the horse chestnut tree?
- 4 What is the object hit by the players in ice hockey called?
- 5 With five victories to date, what team had won the Fifa World Cup the most times?
- 6 Which British rower won gold medals at five consecutive Olympic games?
- 7 Which sport takes place in a velodrome?
- 8 Which famous horse race is run at Aintree on a Saturday in spring?
- 9 From what country does Lego come?
- 10 What term in tenpin bowling describes having knocked all the pins down after your second bowl?
- 11 What is the name of Manchester United's home ground?
- 12 How many holes are there on a standard golf course?
- 13 With which Formula 1 team do Lewis Hamilton and Jensen Button currently drive?
- 14 With which video game controller is a Nunchuk used as an add-on?
- 15 Which chess piece can only move diagonally?

Sunday's Quiz

- 1 What is the name of the Australian throwing stick that can return to its thrower?
- 2 Which breakfast cereal is advertised with the slogan "Snap, crackle and pop"?
- 3 In netball, for what does WA stand?
- 4 How many pieces does a player have in Ludo?
- 5 What term is used in tennis for 40-40?
- 6 What sort of animal is the video game character Sonic?
- 7 Tick-tack-toe is an alternative name for which game?
- 8 How many players are there in a rugby union team (not including substitutes)?

- 9 What colour belt are martial arts experts entitled to wear?
- 10 Ping-pong is an alternative name for which sport?
- 11 What term is used in cricket for the two men on the field who decide on whether batsmen are out, and signal for extras and boundaries?
- 12 What is the most expensive property on a standard British monopoly board?
- 13 How many players are there in a baseball team?
- 14 What colour jersey is won by the leader in the Tour de France?
- 15 In which sport might you do a slam dunk?

Geography and travel

Saturday's Quiz

- 1 At more than 6.5 million square miles, what is the largest country in the world?
- 2 And which has the largest population, at more than 1.3 billion?
- 3 What colour are motorways on British road maps?
- 4 What is the capital city of Spain?
- 5 Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata are major cities in which country?
- 6 Which sea separates Europe from Africa?
- 7 Which Scottish loch with a length of about 24 miles, is reputed to contain a monster?
- 8 Which desert covers much of northern Africa?
- 9 Which island country lies off China, Korea and Russia?
- 10 Which ocean lies between Africa and Australia and south of Asia?
- 11 In which mountain range is Mount Everest?
- 12 Which river rises in Peru, enters the sea in Brazil and at no point is crossed by a bridge?
- 13 In which country are the holy cities of Mecca and Medina?
- 14 Which Italian city is famous for its canals?
- 15 What is the line of latitude that runs around the centre of the world called?

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- 1 Kabul is the capital city of which country?
- 2 Liverpool lies on which river?
- 3 In which country does the River Nile meet the sea?
- 4 What letter do cars from Germany have on them when travelling abroad to show what country they come from?
- 5 In which country is the Eyjafjallajökull volcano, whose eruption this year has affected air flights?
- 6 In which US city would you find Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx?
- 7 Which car maker makes the Fiesta, Ka and Mondeo models?
- 8 Which trains travel to Europe from St Pancras Station?
- 9 What type of boat is most associated with canals?
- 10 What aids to travel does the Ordnance Survey publish?
- 11 Windermere, Coniston Water and Ullswater are found in which National Park?
- 12 Which of the states and territories of Australia is an island?
- 13 What is the largest of the Channel Islands?
- 14 Which is the only bascule bridge in London, whose road can be raised from either side to allow ships through?
- 15 What are the only two countries to have a land border with the US?