

Extremely Challenging General Knowledge Trivia

1. What years does the decade “1900s” refer to?

Answer: From January 1, 1900 to December 31, 1909

2. What famous first powered flight happened in 1903?

Answer: The Wright Flyer performed the first controlled, powered, sustained heavier-than-air flight

3. Which major waterway started being built in 1907?

Answer: The Panama Canal

4. Which war in Asia led to Japan’s rise as a great power during the 1900s?

Answer: The Russo-Japanese War

5. Which devastating natural disaster struck Messina in 1908?

Answer: A massive earthquake (the Messina earthquake)

6. Which children’s book published in 1902 sold about 45 million copies?

Answer: The Tale of Peter Rabbit

7. What happened in 1905 that shook up Russia domestically?

Answer: The Russian Revolution of 1905

8. Which country granted women the right to vote in 1906, becoming one of the first in Europe?

Answer: Finland

9. What feature film released in 1906 is often cited as one of the first of its kind?

Answer: The Story of the Kelly Gang

10. During the 1900s, what global economic system was mostly used by major industrial nations?

Answer: The gold standard

11. How much did world population grow in the 1900s decade?

Answer: It increased from about 1.60 to 1.75 billion

12. What major first in cinema happened in 1903?

Answer: The release of The Great Train Robbery, a big early success in American film

[Geography Trivia That Will Test Your Limits](#)

13. What is the literal meaning of the word “geography”?

Answer: Earth-writing (writing about the earth)

14. Who was the first person known to use the word “geography”?

Answer: Eratosthenes

15. In ancient Egypt, what river was considered central to their geography?

Answer: The Nile

16. What was the name of the Babylonian world map that showed Babylon surrounded by other regions and seas?

Answer: Imago Mundi

17. Which ancient civilization used texts like the Vedas and Puranas to describe rivers, mountains, and seasons?

Answer: Ancient India

18. Which Chinese map carved into stone in 1137 included details like river systems and a graduated scale?

Answer: The Yu Ji Tu map

19. Who was the Chinese polymath that wrote about land formation due to marine fossils far inland?

Answer: Shen Kuo

20. What is the Tabula Rogeriana, and when was it created?

Answer: A world map drawn by al-Idrisi in 1154

21. Which Roman geographer produced a seventeen volume work called "Geographia"?

Answer: Ptolemy

22. During the Greco-Roman world, which explorer travelled around the British Isles and made observations about northern regions?

Answer: Pytheas

23. Name one medieval geographer from the Islamic world who worked on mapping or describing the routes between states.

Answer: Al-Istakhri

24. What method did the Romans use in their road surveying that required triangulation?

Answer: Roman surveyors measured angles and distances (triangulation) when planning roads

[Brain-Bending Science & Tech Trivia](#)

25. What does an accelerometer measure?

Answer: Acceleration (the rate at which velocity changes)

26. In what units is acceleration commonly measured by accelerometers?

Answer: Meters per second squared (m/s^2) or G-forces

27. Why do smartphones use accelerometers?

Answer: To detect orientation changes, motion, or shaking

28. What kind of instrument is an ammeter used to measure?

Answer: Electric current

29. How must an ammeter be connected in a circuit to measure current correctly?

Answer: In series with the circuit

30. What is the unit of measurement shown by an ammeter?

Answer: Amperes (amps)

31. What does an anemometer measure?

Answer: Wind speed (and sometimes direction)

32. What classic design uses rotating cups to measure wind speed?

Answer: A cup anemometer

33. Who invented the four-cup anemometer design in 1845?

Answer: John Thomas Romney Robinson

34. Why do the cups on a cup anemometer spin faster when wind is stronger?

Answer: Because greater wind force accelerates the rotation

35. Can a hot-wire anemometer measure very low wind speeds?

Answer: Yes, by detecting cooling of a heated wire due to airflow

36. Why do ammeters have very low internal resistance?

Answer: To avoid dropping voltage across themselves and altering the circuit's current

History Questions Only History Buffs Can Solve

37. What year did the Russian Revolution begin?

Answer: 1917

38. Who was the Russian leader that abdicated the throne during the February Revolution?

Answer: Tsar Nicholas II

39. What was established after the October Revolution to govern Russia?

Answer: The Bolshevik (Soviet) government

40. Which global conflict was Russia involved in that helped set the stage for revolution and unrest?

Answer: World War I

41. What treaty did Russia sign after the revolution to exit World War I?

Answer: The Treaty of Brest-Litovsk

42. What happened to the monarchy as a result of the Russian Revolution?

Answer: The monarchy was abolished

43. How many locks are there in each transit of the Panama Canal (number up and down)?

Answer: 3 locks up and 3 locks down

44. About how long is the Panama Canal?

Answer: 82 kilometers (approximately)

45. What freshwater lake do ships pass through in the Panama Canal that is above sea level?

Answer: Gatun Lake

46. When was the Panama Canal officially opened to traffic?

Answer: 1914

47. Which country had control over the Panama Canal from its completion until it was handed over to Panama?

Answer: The United States

48. What is one environmental challenge the Panama Canal faces during operation?

Answer: Low water levels during droughts

[Food Trivia That Will Challenge Even Chefs](#)

49. What is a “Buffalo wing”?

Answer: A chicken wing that is deep-fried (without breading) and coated in a spicy sauce

50. Which restaurant is commonly credited with inventing Buffalo wings?

Answer: Anchor Bar in Buffalo, New York

51. In which year did the Anchor Bar first serve Buffalo wings?

Answer: 1964

52. What two main elements are used in a typical Buffalo wing sauce?

Answer: Hot sauce (usually cayenne pepper based) and butter

53. How are Buffalo wings traditionally served to balance the heat?

Answer: With celery sticks and blue cheese dressing

54. What is a lobster roll?

Answer: A sandwich made with lobster meat served in a split hot dog–style roll

55. What is one key difference between a Maine lobster roll and a Connecticut lobster roll?

Answer: Maine version is served cold with mayo, while Connecticut style is served warm with butter (Note: regional difference)

56. What is a cheesesteak (or Philly cheesesteak)?

Answer: A sandwich of thinly sliced beef (ribeye or similar) grilled with onions and melted cheese served in a long roll

57. Which city is most famous for the cheesesteak?

Answer: Philadelphia

58. What cheeses are often used in a cheesesteak?

Answer: Provolone or Cheez Whiz (or American cheese in some versions)

59. What kind of roll is traditionally used for a cheesesteak?

Answer: A long hoagie or Italian roll

60. What optional ingredient is commonly added to cheesesteaks for flavor?

Answer: Grilled onions (sometimes peppers or mushrooms)

[Hard Pop Culture Trivia](#)

61. What Broadway show was expected to have a major return in 2025?

Answer: Wicked

62. In 2025, many musicians planned what type of activity to connect with fans?

Answer: New concert tours

63. What kind of media releases—besides music and film—were included in pop culture events for 2025?

Answer: Celebrity books / memoirs

64. Which art form's revival was highlighted among the 2025 pop culture events?

Answer: Theater (Broadway and stage productions)

65. Streaming platforms were expected to bring back or debut what in 2025?

Answer: Beloved TV shows / series returns

66. What genre of content was noted to continue breaking records in 2025?

Answer: Film box office / major movie releases

67. In 2025, celebrity announcements were expected to include expansions in which type of content?

Answer: Podcasts / talk shows

68. Which component of pop culture involves meeting fans live in a location?

Answer: Film festivals, fan conventions, or live events

69. What role do social media platforms play in 2025's pop culture events?

Answer: Hosting reveals, trends, and fan interaction

70. For pop culture in 2025, what kind of collaborations were anticipated?

Answer: Cross-industry projects (e.g. music + fashion, film + gaming)

71. What type of visual media was expected to debut new projects in 2025?

Answer: Animation / visual effects films

72. What event type often kicks off the awards season and was included in 2025 pop culture calendars?

Answer: Red carpet shows / major award ceremonies

[Tough Sports Trivia Questions](#)

73. What multi-sport event was held in Chengdu, China in 2025?

Answer: The 2025 World Games

74. How many nations participated in the 2025 World Games?

Answer: 118

75. Over how many days did the 2025 World Games take place?

Answer: 11 days (7–17 August)

76. Which city hosted the 2025 Winter World University Games?

Answer: Turin, Italy

77. When did the 2025 Winter World University Games open and close?

Answer: Opened January 13 and closed January 23, 2025

78. What is the name of the multi-sport masters event held in Taiwan in May 2025?

Answer: The 2025 Summer World Masters Games

79. Which state in India hosted the 38th National Games of India in 2025?

Answer: Uttarakhand

80. On what dates were the 2025 National Games of India held?

Answer: 28 January to 14 February 2025

81. What was special about the 2025 Special Olympics World Winter Games?

Answer: It was held in Turin, Italy (first time Italy hosted)

82. How many sports were contested at the 2025 Special Olympics World Winter Games?

Answer: 8 sports

83. In Gaelic football 2025, which championship's final score was 1-26 to 0-19?

Answer: All-Ireland Senior Football Championship

84. In the 2025 NCAA Division I men's basketball tournament, where was the championship game played?

Answer: The Alamodome, San Antonio, Texas

[Hard Music & Literature Trivia](#)

85. What is Museum Music in terms of music genre?

Answer: It is a hip hop / rage double album.

86. When was Museum Music released?

Answer: January 1, 2025.

87. Who is the artist behind Museum Music?

Answer: Edward Skeletrix.

88. How was Museum Music promoted?

Answer: With an art exhibition in Manhattan where the artist sat inside a glass box.

89. What is unique about the structure of Museum Music?

Answer: It's a double album; one side under "I'm A Monster" and one under "Edward Skeletrix."

90. What is Cursed in relation to Paleface Swiss?

Answer: It is their third studio album.

91. When was Cursed released?

Answer: January 3, 2025.

92. Under which genre is Cursed categorized?

Answer: Deathcore / nu-metalcore.

93. What is the name of the first single released from Cursed?

Answer: "Hatred."

94. Why did Paleface change their band name to Paleface Swiss?

Answer: Because there was another artist using the name "Paleface."

95. Which new band member is first featured on Cursed?

Answer: Cassiano Toma (as drummer).

96. Name one other single from Cursed.

Answer: "My Blood on Your Hands" or "Love Burns."

[Extreme Disney & Cinema Knowledge Trivia](#)

97. Which two stories make up the movie Fun and Fancy Free?

Answer: "Mickey and the Beanstalk" and "Bongo".

98. Who narrates the "Bongo" segment?

Answer: Dinah Shore.

99. Who narrates the "Mickey and the Beanstalk" segment?

Answer: Edgar Bergen, along with his puppets Charlie McCarthy and Mortimer Snerd.

100. Which classic Disney character makes a return in this film, singing “I’m a Happy-Go-Lucky Fellow”?

Answer: Jiminy Cricket.

101. What was the original purpose of creating Fun and Fancy Free?

Answer: To generate funds for the studio during a financially challenging period.

102. Which fairy tale is adapted in the “Mickey and the Beanstalk” segment?

Answer: “Jack and the Beanstalk”.

103. What was unique about the voice credits in this film?

Answer: It was one of the first Disney films to list the voice credits for animated characters, including Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, and Goofy.

104. What type of film is Melody Time?

Answer: An animated anthology film.

105. Which popular cowboy singer narrates and sings in the “Pecos Bill” segment?

Answer: Roy Rogers.

106. Which folk hero is featured in the “Johnny Appleseed” segment?

Answer: Johnny Appleseed.

107. Which segment features a story about a little tugboat?

Answer: “Little Toot”.

108. Which segment is set to the song “Bumble Boogie”?

Answer: “Bumble Boogie”.

109. Which segment features a story about a winter romance?

Answer: "Once Upon a Wintertime".

110. Which segment features a story about a tree?

Answer: "Trees".

Challenging Questions About Fashion History & Trends

111. What is the name of the high-top sneaker brand introduced by Donald Trump?

Answer: Never Surrender High-Top

112. When was the Never Surrender High-Top first announced?

Answer: February 17, 2024

113. Where was the Never Surrender High-Top unveiled?

Answer: Sneaker Con in Philadelphia

114. How many pairs of the Never Surrender High-Top were initially made?

Answer: 1,000 pairs

115. What was the retail price of the Never Surrender High-Top?

Answer: \$399

116. Who purchased a signed pair of the Never Surrender High-Top for \$9,000?

Answer: Roman Sharf

117. Which company manufactured the Never Surrender High-Top?

Answer: 45Footwear

118. What are the primary colors of the Never Surrender High-Top?

Answer: Gold upper with red sole

119. What iconic symbol is featured on the collar and sock lining of the sneaker?

Answer: The United States flag

120. When is the Victoria's Secret Fashion Show 2025 scheduled to take place?

Answer: October 15, 2025

121. Where will the Victoria's Secret Fashion Show 2025 be held?

Answer: New York City

122. Which streaming platforms will broadcast the Victoria's Secret Fashion Show 2025?

Answer: Amazon Prime Video and Amazon Live

123. What time will the show begin on October 15, 2025?

Answer: 7:00 PM Eastern Time

124. Who are some of the confirmed models for the 2025 show?

Answer: Adriana Lima, Candice Swanepoel, Lily Aldridge, Joan Smalls, Anok Yai, Alex Consani, and Yumi Nu

125. Which former model is making a return to the runway in 2025?

Answer: Candice Swanepoel

126. Which model is known for being the first trans woman to win Model of the Year?

Answer: Alex Consani

[Religion & Culture Questions for Experts](#)

127. What is the primary role of myths in societies?

Answer: To explain natural phenomena, customs, and historical events.

128. Which ancient civilization is known for its rich mythology involving gods like Zeus and Hera?

Answer: Ancient Greece.

129. In Greek mythology, who is considered the king of the gods?

Answer: Zeus.

130. What is the term for the study of myths?

Answer: Mythology.

131. Which culture's mythology includes tales of gods like Odin and Thor?

Answer: Norse mythology.

132. In Egyptian mythology, who is the god of the sun?

Answer: Ra.

133. What is the term for a system of beliefs that often involves worship of a higher power?

Answer: Religion.

134. Which religion is based on the teachings of Jesus Christ?

Answer: Christianity.

135. In which religion is the Quran considered the holy book?

Answer: Islam.

136. Which religion is known for the practice of meditation and the pursuit of enlightenment?

Answer: Buddhism.

137. What is the term for the moral and ethical guidelines followed by many religious traditions?

Answer: Religious teachings or doctrines.

138. Which religion celebrates the festival of lights known as Diwali?

Answer: Hinduism.

[Challenging Yet Fun Trivia for Smart Kids](#)

139. Who were the first people to live in what is now the United States?

Answer: Native Americans.

140. What year did the Pilgrims land at Plymouth Rock?

Answer: 1620.

141. Which country did the United States fight against in the Revolutionary War?

Answer: Great Britain.

142. What was the name of the first permanent English settlement in America?

Answer: Jamestown.

143. In what year did the United States declare its independence?

Answer: 1776.

144. What document declared the United States' independence from Britain?

Answer: The Declaration of Independence.

145. Which document established the first government of the United States?

Answer: The Articles of Confederation.

146. What year was the U.S. Constitution signed?

Answer: 1787.

147. Who is known as the "Father of the Constitution"?

Answer: James Madison.

148. What are the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution called?

Answer: The Bill of Rights.

149. Which president issued the Emancipation Proclamation?

Answer: Abraham Lincoln.

150. What was the main issue that led to the Civil War?

Answer: Slavery.

[Hard Funny Trivia Questions](#)

151. Which side won the Civil War?

Answer: The Union (Northern states).

152. What year did the Civil War end?

Answer: 1865.

153. What was the name of the period after the Civil War that aimed to rebuild the South?

Answer: Reconstruction.

154. Which event caused the United States to enter World War I?

Answer: The sinking of the Lusitania.

155. What year did the United States enter World War I?

Answer: 1917.

156. Which country did the United States fight against in World War II?

Answer: Germany.

157. What year did the United States drop atomic bombs on Japan?

Answer: 1945.

158. What was the name of the space program that landed the first humans on the Moon?

Answer: Apollo 11.

159. Who gave the famous "I Have a Dream" speech?

Answer: Martin Luther King Jr.

160. In what year did the Civil Rights Act pass?

Answer: 1964.

161. Which U.S. state was the first to grant women the right to vote?

Answer: Wyoming.

162. Who was the first African American president of the United States?

Answer: Barack Obama.