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## General knowledge

**Only one answer possible.**

1. Which British king founded the Church of England and is also known for having had multiple wives?
  - a. Henry XVIII
  - b. Edward II
  - c. James III
  - d. William of Orange
  
2. Who was the British Prime Minister during the Falklands conflict?
  - a. Winston Churchill
  - b. Margaret Thatcher
  - c. John Major
  - d. Tony Blair
  
3. In housing transactions, the practice of "gazumping" means:
  - a. To falsify energy efficiency documents.
  - b. To agree to sell a property before you have actually purchased it.
  - c. To dump large amounts of investment in a single local market to drive up prices.
  - d. Offering a higher price to a seller after they have already agreed to sell to another party at a lower one.
  
4. In the English legal system, what is a barrister?
  - a. A lawyer specialized in pleading before a court.
  - b. The person who writes down notes during a legal hearing.
  - c. A special type of judge.
  - d. None of the above.
  
5. What is the American town of Flint known for?
  - a. Archaeological dig sites related to Neanderthal man.
  - b. Being the town where the Koch brothers grew up.
  - c. An on-going crisis due to unclean water.
  - d. A special type of rock candy.

6. In the imperial measuring system, how many feet are there in a yard?
  - a. 12
  - b. 20
  - c. 22
  - d. 24
  
7. Which of the following is not a play written by Shakespeare?
  - a. Much ado about nothing
  - b. Midsummer night's dream
  - c. Pride and Prejudice
  - d. Hamlet
  
8. Saying of someone that they are "a few bricks short of a load" means.
  - a. They are stingy.
  - b. They are unreliable.
  - c. They are stupid
  - d. None of the above
  
9. Which of the following institutions is the European equivalent of the executive branch?
  - a. Council of Europe
  - b. European Commission
  - c. European Parliament
  - d. There is no executive branch at the European Union
  
10. Jackson Pollock is a famous
  - a. Writer
  - b. Composer
  - c. Painter
  - d. Sculptor
  
11. What is the expression 'Day in day out'?
  - a. A synonym for 'sunrise and sunset'
  - b. It refers to something boring that happens every day
  - c. Term used by shift workers as they arrive at work and when they leave
  - d. Term used by people who work remotely from home rather than going to the office
  
12. Where was the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II held in 1953?
  - a. Westminster Abbey
  - b. Buckingham Palace
  - c. The House of Lords
  - d. Windsor Castle
  
13. Which of the following companies achieved a market value of more than \$1 trillion in 2018?
  - a. Alphabet (Google)
  - b. Amazon
  - c. Facebook
  - d. Apple

14. What does 'furlough' mean?
- The animal skin leftover during the making of a fur coat
  - a long shallow trench used in agriculture to facilitate irrigation
  - When an employee is temporarily relieved of their duties by their employer.
  - Extra holidays often taken in early January, directly after the Christmas-New Year break
15. Who is Greta Thunberg
- Current Prime Minister of Norway
  - Youth activist leading the worldwide student strikes against climate inaction
  - Famous Swedish born actress whose career in Hollywood started in 1920
  - Former Danish Prime Minister who inspired the TV series *Borgen*
16. In Australia, a 'digger' is:
- A term used for gold miners the during the gold rush that started in 1951
  - A nickname for Australian soldiers who fought in World War I
  - Slang for 'mobile phone number'
  - A colloquial term for a young person born in the 'digital age' - Generation Z
17. What was the outcome of the UK parliamentary vote on the UK-EU Brexit Deal on January 15, 2019?
- The deal was rejected by a qualified majority and PM Theresa May was forced to resign
  - Certain members of parliament used their veto power, thereby overriding the otherwise favourable majority
  - PM Theresa May invoked her powers as Prime Minister to approve the deal despite being rejected by parliamentary vote
  - The deal was rejected and PM Theresa May was threatened with a motion of no confidence
18. Relations between the USA and Puerto Rico have been in the media of late, why?
- The US Federal Government did not provide Puerto Rico with sufficient recovery funds in a timely manner following Hurricane Maria
  - Some believe that the United States will attempt to take control of the country following their intervention
  - The US military continues to operate out of Guantanamo Bay
  - Puerto Rico recently became the 51<sup>st</sup> state of the USA
19. What is a 'chicano'?
- Chewing tobacco
  - A series of corners and turns in Formula 1 racing
  - An American of Mexican descent
  - A rare variety of ancient grain, similar to quinoa and buckwheat
20. Lance Armstrong is...:
- the first man to have walked on the moon
  - the winner of 7 consecutive Tour de France titles
  - a jazz musician and composer of "What a Wonderful World"
  - American actor and political activist