

General Knowledge – March 2021

- Which of the following companies is not linked to Elon Musk?
 - Tesla
 - Paypal
 - Uber
 - SpaceX
- Which of the following American presidents is linked to the Watergate scandal?
 - Bill Clinton
 - Richard Nixon
 - George Bush senior
 - John F. Kennedy
- In cricket, the batter stands in front a piece of wood balanced on 3 vertical pieces of wood, called?
 - A wicket
 - The piglet
 - The widget
 - The Jack
- Which of the following would not be used to sharpen a knife?
 - A steel
 - A whetstone
 - A sharpie
 - A honing rod
- Malala Yousufzai is from...
 - Pakistan
 - Bangladesh
 - Kazakhstan
 - India
- Who is the current secretary general of the United Nations?
 - Marco Rubio
 - Antonio Guterres
 - Trygve Lie
 - Ban Ki-Moon
- What official title should be used when addressing an ambassador?
 - Your highness
 - Your eminence
 - Your honour
 - Your excellency
- Who is Chelsea Manning?
 - Sister of American football quarterbacks Peyton and Eli Manning. She founded the North American Women's Football League
 - The current UN Special Envoy to Iraq
 - The Democrat candidate to replace Ruth Bader Ginsburg on the US Supreme Court
 - Former US soldier and whistle-blower

9. What does 'into the fray' mean?
- To participate in an exciting or dangerous situation involving other people
 - To tear a piece of fabric across its width
 - To feel a sudden, intense fear
 - To reflect on one's own inner desires and feelings
10. Who was the last British monarch to abdicate from the throne?
- King George VI
 - Queen Victoria
 - King Edward VIII
 - Queen Mary 1
11. The position of Chancellor of the Exchequer is similar to which minister position in other countries
- Minister for the interior
 - Finance minister
 - Minister for education
 - Deputy prime minister
12. In common parlance, the BBC is known as:
- The goggle box
 - The funnies
 - The Beeb
 - The talking heads
13. The current first minister of Scotland is:
- For Scottish independence
 - Against Scottish independence
 - Formerly for Scottish independence up to the referendum
 - Unconvinced of the benefits of Scottish independence
14. Saying that something is a "haymaker" means:
- A farm machine used for harvesting
 - An argument in a debate that is nearly impossible to counter
 - Something that mixes things up
 - An investment fund with guaranteed returns
15. Which of the following African nations are primarily English speaking (multiple answers possible)
- Senegal
 - Zimbabwe
 - Niger
 - Uganda

16. Which of the following spellings is correct in American English?
- a. Culor
 - b. Collor
 - c. Couleur
 - d. Color
17. In which year did Christopher Columbus discover America?
- a. 1492
 - b. 1576
 - c. 1789
 - d. 1066
18. Which of the following birds has a special tie to the Queen of England:
- a. Geese
 - b. Ducks
 - c. Swans
 - d. Falcons
19. In Britain, what is a shadow cabinet?
- a. An item that appears in the Harry Potter novels
 - b. An expression to describe something that is difficult to understand or otherwise opaque
 - c. A group of prominent politicians from the opposition
 - d. A meeting of people of influence
20. Which of the following is often mentioned when discussing Britain's departure from the EU.
- a. Article 50
 - b. Order 66
 - c. Article 5
 - d. Paragraph 17