

General Knowledge – March 2021

1. Which of the following companies is not linked to Elon Musk?
 - a. Tesla
 - b. Paypal
 - c. Uber
 - d. SpaceX
2. Which of the following American presidents is linked to the Watergate scandal?
 - a. Bill Clinton
 - b. Richard Nixon
 - c. George Bush senior
 - d. John F. Kennedy
3. In cricket, the batter stands in front a piece of wood balanced on 3 vertical pieces of wood, called?
 - a. A wicket
 - b. The piglet
 - c. The widget
 - d. The Jack
4. Which of the following would not be used to sharpen a knife?
 - a. A steel
 - b. A whetstone
 - c. A sharpie
 - d. A honing rod
5. Malala Yousufzai is from...
 - a. Pakistan
 - b. Bangladesh
 - c. Kazakhstan
 - d. India
6. Who is the current secretary general of the United Nations?
 - a. Marco Rubio
 - b. Antonio Guterres
 - c. Trygve Lie
 - d. Ban Ki-Moon
7. What official title should be used when addressing an ambassador?
 - a. Your highness
 - b. Your eminence
 - c. Your honour
 - d. Your excellency
8. Who is Chelsea Manning?
 - a. Sister of American football quarterbacks Peyton and Eli Manning. She founded the North American Women's Football League
 - b. The current UN Special Envoy to Iraq
 - c. The Democrat candidate to replace Ruth Bader Ginsburg on the US Supreme Court
 - d. 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?
- Culor
 - Collor
 - Couleur
 - Color
17. In which year did Christopher Columbus discover America?
- 1492
 - 1576
 - 1789
 - 1066
18. Which of the following birds has a special tie to the Queen of England:
- Geese
 - Ducks
 - Swans
 - Falcons
19. In Britain, what is a shadow cabinet?
- An item that appears in the Harry Potter novels
 - An expression to describe something that is difficult to understand or otherwise opaque
 - A group of prominent politicians from the opposition
 - A meeting of people of influence
20. Which of the following is often mentioned when discussing Britain's departure from the EU.
- Article 50
 - Order 66
 - Article 5
 - Paragraph 17